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Minutes

Milford Township Board of Supervisors' (BOS) Hybrid Workshop & Meeting December 1, 2025, 7:00 P.M.

Location: 560 Route 6 & 209, Milford, PA 18337

Workshop - 6:30 PM

January is National Radon Awareness Month. Twenty percent of houses in the U.S. have radon issues. Many people don't realize that radon levels need to be checked from time to time because the amounts can change. It is more harmful than previously thought and has been linked to conditions such as lung cancer and Alzheimer's disease. A resolution of adoption could be placed on the agenda, and information can be posted on the website.

Some members' terms are ending, and they should be asked if they would like to continue to serve.

The Milford Water Authority has a Milford Township Fire Protection charge in their budget. They are trying to recoup what the Township refused to pay over the last two years. They will charge a different rate for the residents of this Township and for those in Milford Borough.

Call to Order:

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Milford Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Gary M. Williams. Also present were Vice Chair Rachel Hendricks, Supervisor Robert Di Lorenzo, Solicitor Anthony Magnotta, and Secretary/Treasurer Shahana Shamim.

Approval of Meeting Minutes – November 17, 2025:

The minutes of the November 17, 2025 meeting were unanimously approved by the BOS.

Treasurer's Report:

Since the last meeting, the Township has received \$200 from Zoning, \$11 from a Right-to-Know request, \$580 from sewage, \$4,695.91 from Real Estate tax, and \$782.66 from the ambulance tax.

Roadmaster's Report:

Mr. Gary M. Williams reported that the road crew has been patching the roads. He also noted that the road crew is prepared for the next day's storm.

Milford Township Supervisors Gary Williams, Rachel Hendricks & Bob Di Lorenzo LEOR D TO WAS THE BOY

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Zoning:

No new permits have been issued since the last meeting.

Public Participation:

The representative from Professional Medical Response stated that the ambulance service company has been in operation for about three years and maintains a station in Shohola Township. They were granted 911 tones, and they need the Supervisors' permission to respond within the Township when the Milford Borough ambulance is unavailable. The Board thanked him for the information and asked him to send the permission resolution to the office so it can be placed on the agenda for a future meeting.

Secretary's Report:

- Brian Snyder sent the agenda and minutes for the Road Task Force meeting.
- A Change of Assessment Notice was received from the Pike County Assessment Office.
- A Draft NPDES Permit and associated documents were received for the renewal of Permit for the SR 0084, Section 494 Reconstruction Project.
- State Representative Jeff Olsommer sent a letter of support to the Department of Community and Economic Development for the Township's statewide LSA grant application.
- The Pike County Commissioners notified the Township to authorize Milford Township's 2025 third quarterly payment in the amount of \$15,000 for the Emergency Medical Services Matching Grant.
- Kirk, Summa & Company sent the audit scope and objectives.
- A technical deficiency letter was received from the Department of Environmental Protection.

Old Business:

a. Constitution Avenue Bridge Updates

The County has responded to Rachel's second round of Right-to-Know requests. The report indicates that the superstructure issue was downgraded in 2024, the sidewall is experiencing problems, and the findings support reducing the bridge's weight limit. The County currently has an extensive list of bridge projects, and this bridge is not included on that list.

The Township is responsible for plowing the bridge. A reduced weight limit or closure would create challenges for school bus drop-off and pick-up, as students would need to be picked up along Routes 6 and 209.

Both the Northeast Pennsylvania Alliance (NEPA) and PennDOT provided the same project cost estimate of \$1.1 million. NEPA will follow up with additional options.

b. Ordinance Adoption Hearing – Adoption of Six-Month Data Center Moratorium



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At 7:15 P.M., the supervisors voted unanimously to recess the meeting for a hearing to accept public comment on the ordinance. Public notice was placed in the *Pike County Dispatch* on October 23rd to solicit public input.

To implement the data center ordinance, there is a present need to study the impact that data centers may have on public health, safety, and welfare. There were no public comments, and the supervisors voted unanimously to adjourn the hearing and return to the regular meeting.

The supervisors then voted unanimously to adopt this ordinance as Ordinance No. 105. (Stenographer: P.A.B. Reporting Services, Pamela A. Pienta-Birtell, Court Reporter, 123 New Street, Hughestown, PA 18640. Phone: 570-655-2729)

New Business:

None.

Public Participation:

Mr. Stroyan brought up that the Municipal Authority of the Borough of Milford's budget notice in the *Pike County Dispatch* lists \$5,068 as the MT fire protection service fee, and that "MT" likely refers to Milford Township. The Supervisors discussed that hiring an attorney for the warehouse hearings was the Authority's own decision, that they were not asked to do so, and therefore Milford Township does not have to reimburse them for their attorney fees. Paying the fire hydrant bill will require creating a special taxing district. The Township needs to be able to explain to residents how funds are being used. There are very few users in Milford Township, whereas in Milford Borough almost everyone is a user. Milford Township removes snow from around the fire hydrants. The Supervisors voted unanimously for the Solicitor to send a letter to the Milford Water Authority requesting justification for the differing fees charged to residents.

There being no further business to discuss, the Board of Supervisors voted unanimously at 7:45 p.m. to pay the bills and adjourn the meeting.