

District Township Supervisors
BUSINESS MEETING
May 15, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

The BUSINESS meeting of the District Township Board of Supervisors was held on May 15, 2025, at the Township Municipal Building, 202 Weil Road, Boyertown, PA at 7:00 p.m. In attendance were Chairman Ed Overberger, Supervisors Ron Leibowitz and Leonard Robb, Engineer John Weber, Solicitor Orlando, Secretary Jen Sauerwald, and Seisholtzville Fire Company Chief Jennifer Sacks. Treasurer Trish Hatfield, Emergency Management Coordinator Tim Adam, Mike Mutter of Eastern Berks Fire Department and Bally Ambulance Chief Mike Groff were absent. Mr. Overberger called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm

The May 15, 2025 BUSINESS meeting agenda was posted to the District Township website and municipal building on 5/14/2025.

MINUTES

- A motion was made by Mr. Overberger, seconded by Mr. Leibowitz, to approve the minutes of the April 17, 2025 Business Meeting as written. All in favor.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- None

SOLICITOR – Eugene Orlando

- Right-To-Know Policy and Procedures – Mr. Orlando is awaiting responses in order to proceed. The item will be addressed at next month's meeting.
- Seisholtzville Fire Company Fire Tax Agreement – No action was taken
- Met-Ed Right of Way agreement – Mr. Orlando recommended obtaining a scaled drawing from Met-Ed with reference to township property boundary lines showing where this pole line is so that it can be clearly differentiated from the rest of the property.

ZONING OFFICER/ENGINEER – John Weber

- 2025 Crack Sealing Project – Mr. Weber sent out four (4) requests for proposals and only received one (1) response from AMS, Asphalt Maintenance Solution, LLC. Mr. Weber recommended the project be awarded to AMS. A motion was made by Mr. Overberger, seconded by Mr. Leibowitz to award AMS the 2025 Crack Sealing Project at \$26.85 a gallon up to a maximum of 875 gallons. All in Favor.
- Lutz Road Culvert project – Lutz Road was opened today. The patch from the garbage-truck damage still needs to be completed but the weather has caused the delay. The cost of the extra patch is approximately \$1,500 but the project had cost savings in other areas so it should be a wash.
- Complaints
 - 150 Bitting Road - Mr. Weber reported that LTL sent a letter to the homeowner and spoke with her regarding the complaint. A representative from LTL also spoke with the Complainer to acquire more information. A representative from LTL also observed the property and no barking was heard. Due to lack of corroborating evidence, the Board instructed Mr. Weber to send the Complainer a letter stating that without any additional evidence the Township will not be able to pursue his complaint further.
 - 170 Bitting Road – No action taken

- An executive session was held to discuss possible legal action. No action taken

TREASURER – Trish Hatfield

Monthly report as of April 30, 2025

General Fund	\$ 997,973.59
State Fund	233,317.88
Capital Reserve	299,279.20
Culvert/Bridge Fund	283,647.02
Fire Tax Fund	<u>2,934.65</u>
TOTAL	\$1,817,152.34

Disbursements

General Fund: \$45,507.63

- Berks Nature donation - The organization used to be Berks County Conservancy. Update the file and include in next month's disbursements.
- A motion was made by Mr. Overberger, seconded by Mr. Leibowitz, to pay the bills in the amount of \$45,507.63 contingent upon Supervisor Ron's approval of the completion of the InBounds Sports Group renovations to the tennis courts . All in Favor
- Berks Nature used to be Berks County Conservancy
- Summer intern for digitizing records – Addison Wismer has accepted the part-time summer intern and will start on June 10th.

ROADMASTER REPORT – Ed Overberger

- New Truck update – No update at this time
- Chew Road Bridge update – Meeting with Department of Environmental Protection. Due to findings of aquatic life use of fish, the construction window is limited to April 1, 2026 through August 31, 2026.
- Longswamp Township – Mr. Overberger met with the Chairman of the Board and Roadmaster from Longswamp Township. District Township will create an Inter-Municipal Agreement that outlines the shared road plowing.
- Park issues
 - People have been parking in the newly spread dirt.
 - A kid on a dirt bike has been riding in the parking lot and jumping the dirt pile.
 - The trash cans will be moved half-way down the driveway.
 - Dog waste bags are being left in the small trash can
- Street sweeping brush for the tractor – Quotes will be gathered for a new broom.
- Maintenance on equipment – Freightliner has all new brakes and air cans.
- Downed trees – One too dangerous to cut so Merkel Tree Service came out and took care of it.

Emergency Management – Tim Adams

- Pricing on signage for burn ban notifications will be presented at the next meeting
- Bally Ambulance –124 calls for month of April – 7 in District Twp.
- Eastern Berks Fire Department – 49 calls for month of April – None reported in District Twp.
- Seisholtzville FD – Jen Sacks 25 calls for month of April – 6 in District Twp
- Chief Sacks explained the labeling on the Monthly call report and responded to the following questions:

- There has never been a letter sent out stating that Seisholtzville FD will not respond to calls during the day.
- Brush Fire on Huffs Church Road – Seisholtzville unable to respond
- Qualified Engine drivers = 5
- Firefighters that can enter a burning building = 14 – Approximately 3 are available during weekday working hours.
- What level of service can Seisholtzville FD provide? At this point in time the FD does not have any firefighters that work close enough to the station to respond during weekday working hours. Weekday responses are hit or miss and usually only 1 or 2 firefighters present.
- The Board is concerned with the amount of time that lapses when Seisholtzville FD cannot respond and another FD is called. In addition, the uncertain reliability of weekday workhour responses has caused the board to consider withdrawing funding. Tabled until next month's meeting to allow for more consideration.

PLANNING COMMISSION – Piper Sherburne

- EBJCP – Texas Eastern Pipelines to be shown

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE – Piper Sherburne

- No report

BUILDING COMMITTEE – Leonard Robb

- Electric to pavilion – A quote for \$8,394.78 was presented – No action taken – Will revisit next month.

RECREATION COMMITTEE – Ron Leibowitz

- Tennis / Pickle Ball Court – Work will be completed this weekend

OLD BUSINESS

- Community Engagement – No report due to no response back
- Juneteenth – The Board meeting will be rescheduled to June 17th

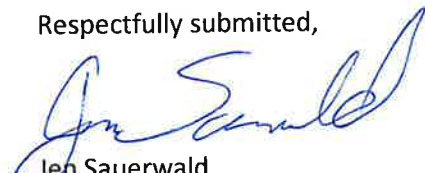
NEW BUSINESS

- Mrs. Sauerwald attended PSAT's for 3 days.

Adjournment:

With no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Mr. Overberger, seconded by Mr. Robb, to adjourn the BUSINESS meeting at 9:02 pm. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Jen Sauerwald
District Township Secretary