

District Township Supervisors
BUSINESS MEETING
February 19, 2026

CALL TO ORDER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The BUSINESS meeting of the District Township Board of Supervisors was held on February 19, 2026, at the Township Municipal Building, 202 Weil Road, Boyertown, PA at 7:00 p.m. In attendance were Chairman Ed Overberger, Supervisor Leonard Robb, Supervisor Ron Leibowitz, Solicitor Eugene Orlando, Engineer John Weber, Treasurer Joni McPike, Secretary/Assistant Treasurer Jen Sauerwald, and Emergency Management Coordinator Tim Adam. Mr. Overberger called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

ROLL CALL

The February 19, 2026 BUSINESS meeting agenda was posted to the District Township website and municipal building on 2/14/2026.

MINUTES



A motion was made by Mr. Overberger, seconded by Mr. Leibowitz, to approve the minutes of the January 15, 2026 Business Meeting as written. All in favor.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – Bonnie Pukanecz questioned the Board regarding who made the decision to have fiber optics connected in the Township. Mr. Overberger explained that the Board only had an agreement to have Service Electric connect cable television and that the PUC is responsible for telephone and electric. No action taken.

SOLICITOR – Eugene Orlando

- Burn ban – Mr. Orlando presented a draft Ordinance for Burn Ban. Board will review and comment at next month's meeting.
- Resolution 2026-06 TCC Alternate - Mrs. Sauerwald will get clarification from the other municipalities regarding using name or position.
- Vacating road - The Board authorized Mr. Orlando to research the legal process of vacating a township road.

ZONING OFFICER/ENGINEER - John Weber

- 58 Groff Road Schmidt Subdivision – Awaiting revised plan. Deadline = May 22, 2026
- Peskin Residence, Keim Road – LTL is in the process of reviewing the storm water management plan.
- Keim Road Electric – Mr. Weber has continued to reach out to Met-Ed and has not been able to get an on-site meeting scheduled.
- Ordinance for opening a trench in the township's road right of way. Road opening permit ordinance.



A motion was made by Mr. Overberger, seconded by Mr. Robb to authorize Mr. Weber and Mr. Orlando to put together a draft ordinance for trenching in ROW. All in favor

ROADMASTER REPORT – Ed Overberger

- Chew Road Bridge – We are cleared for the Indiana bat habitat and received preliminary approval to put in a Bog Turtle barrier during construction. In light of this, the Township will need to hire a Bog Turtle Biologist to manage it.
- Proposal from Benesch for Chew Road Bridge Replacement Supplement. Includes Bog Turtle barrier and remaining elements that were not included in the initial proposal.



A motion was made by Mr. Overberger, seconded by Mr. Leibowitz, to approve the Chew Road Bridge Replacement Supplement dated February 13, 2025, Benesch Proposal No. PP03-252231 in the amount of \$41,037 on a time and material, not to exceed basis. All in favor.

- New Tractor – Left-over New Holland tractor would be advantageous to purchase now instead of next year. The T5050 will be sold privately.



A motion was made by Mr. Overberger, seconded by Mr. Leibowitz, to approve the purchase of a New Holland T5.120 Dual Command Tractor with Loader as described in AG-Industrial of New Holland quote #DIS20260218DLW in the amount of \$108,488. All in favor.

- Equipment Maintenance Update –
 - Chevy had issue of possible fuel gelling – better now
 - Old Ford had battery go bad after 1 year so a new one was installed
 - F600 is in service now
- Winter road maintenance – Will need to order another load of salt. Mrs. Sauerwald will tally this season’s salt orders and order another load.
- Chew Road – A substitute rock was used during the summer repairs and Chew is extremely muddy.

PLANNING COMMISSION – Piper Sherburne

- 58 Groff Road, Schmidt Subdivision – recommendation to extend deadline.
- EBJCP Update – Waiting on BCPC to revise draft to reflect District Township’s comments regarding Mobile Home park zoning.
- Mr. Orlando recommended that the Board consider authorizing the Planning Commission to create a Mobile Home District within the Township.

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE – Piper Sherburne

- Tree planting – Berks Nature proposal – District Twp 2026 Tree Order including labor and materials for \$1,002.34 was discussed.



A motion was made by Mr. Leibowitz, seconded by Mr. Robb to authorize Berks Nature to purchase and plant the trees specified on District Twp Spring 2026 Tree Order in the amount of \$1,002.34

- DCNR C2P Grant - Discussion about applying for a grant with the help of Berks Nature to improve the trails in District Township. One grant would pay up to \$250,000, others have matching requirements. Mr. Leibowitz will update at March meeting.

TREASURER – Joni McPike

- **Reconciliation** – The January account reconciliations were presented to the Board.



A motion was made by Mr. Overberger, seconded by Mr. Leibowitz, to approve the Monthly Bank Account Verification Report dated February 19, 2026. All in favor.

- **Treasurer’s Report**

ACCOUNT		
GEN.FUND TRUIST #3460	\$26,735.50	XXXX
GEN.FUND MM-TRUIST #4127	\$107,086.67	XXXX
GEN.FUND PLGIT/PRIME #0016	\$799,357.51	XXXX
GENERAL FUND TOTAL		\$1,348,646.29
CAPITAL RESERVE FUND #0036		\$308,920.71
CULVERT/BRIDGE FUND #0048		\$106,544.90
FIRE TAX #9965		\$6,783.53
STATE LF FUND #0060		\$307,273.01
TOTAL		\$1,662,702.83

- **Disbursements**



A motion was made by Mr. Leibowitz, seconded by Mr. Robb to pay the Interim and Processed disbursements for \$204,700.27 All in favor.



A motion was made by Mr. Leibowitz, seconded by Mr. Robb to approve the Fund Transfer Processed from Jan. 16, 2026 to Feb. 19, 2026 in the amount of \$92,169.29 All in favor.

BUILDING COMMITTEE – Ron Leibowitz

- Electric to pavilion – Wetzel Estimate #Pav. Power for \$12,779.23 includes running electric and water line to the pavilion.



A motion was made by Mr. Leibowitz, seconded by Mr. Robb to approve Wetzel Enterprises Inc. Estimate Pav. Power, revised and dated January 22, 2026 in the amount of \$12,779.23. All in favor.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT –

- EOP Plan will be completed next week.
- Joint Safety Meeting is in the process of being scheduled
- Run cards will be evaluated prior to the next BOS meeting
- County radios – Discussion about new radio program and possible grants to obtain funds to cover the cost were discussed

- Bally Ambulance – 137 calls for the month of January with 4 in District Township.
- EBFD – 47 calls for the month of January with 5 in District Township.
- Community Fire Co. #1 of Seisholtzville – 19 calls for the month of January with 1 in District Township.

OLD BUSINESS –

- Check scanner – Mrs. McPike reported that the cost of the check scanner is not advantageous to the amount of checks the Township deposits.
- Microsoft Office for the Supervisors – Tabled until next month

NEW BUSINESS –



A motion was made by Mr. Overberger, seconded by Mr. Leibowitz to authorize the advertisement of the 2025 audited financial report. All in favor.

- Charity Bike Ride –



A motion was made by Mr. Overberger, seconded by Mr. Leibowitz to authorize the Mrs. Sauerwald to write a letter of acknowledgement to inform PennDOT that we are aware of the event. All in favor.

- Laptop for Tax Collector – Discussion regarding need and potential cost. No action taken.
- Social media – No action taken – revisit at next month's meeting

RECREATION COMMITTEE – No Report

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 9:11 pm. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Jen Sauerwald
District Township Secretary/Assistant Treasurer