East Rockhill Township Board of Supervisors

May 27, 2025

Regular Business Meeting Minutes

The regular business meeting of the East Rockhill Township Board of Supervisors was held at 7:00 PM on May 27, 2025, in the meeting room at the East Rockhill Township Municipal Office, 1622 North Ridge Road, Perkasie, PA 18944.

Present: Gary Volovnik Supervisor Chairperson

Dave Nyman Supervisor Vice-Chairperson

Jim Nietupski Supervisor Member
Marianne Hart Morano Township Manager
Will Oetinger, Esq. Township Solicitor
Steve Baluh, P.E. Township Engineer
Jeff Scholl Public Works Director

Chief Dickinson Pennridge Regional Police Department

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by Mr. Volovnik with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members of the public were present.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

- The next regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be held on Tuesday, June 24, 2025 at 7:00 PM
- Executive Session will take place following the meeting for potential real estate acquisition and personnel.

PUBLIC COMMENT #1:

There was none.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND BILLS PAYABLE:

Approval of Minutes.

On motion by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Nyman, to approve the meeting minutes from the Board of Supervisors April 22, 2025 Regular Meeting as presented. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Approval of Bills Payable.

On motion by Mr. Nyman, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to approve payment of the Bills List dated May 23, 2025 for a total amount of \$804,747.16 as presented. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

BOARD AND COMMISSION REPORTS:

Pennridge Regional Police Department: Chief Dickinson

Chief shared the April 2025 Pennridge Regional Police activity report.

On motion by Mr. Nyman, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to accept the Pennridge Regional Police Department report. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Planning Commission: Marianne Hart Morano

The May 8, 2025 agenda and draft minutes were provided to the Board.

On motion by Mr. Volovnik, seconded by Mr. Nyman, to accept the Planning Commission report. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Pennridge Wastewater Treatment Authority: Dave Nyman

The March 2025 and April 2025 minutes and flow reports were provided to the Board.

On motion by Mr. Volovnik, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to accept the Pennridge Wastewater Treatment Authority report. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Pennridge Area Coordinating Committee: Dave Nyman

The April 24, 2025 meeting minutes and May 22, 2025 draft meeting notes were provided to the Board. A resolution in support of House Bill 1152 in regards to insurance companies providing payments directly to emergency services will be on the June Supervisor agenda.

On motion by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to accept the Pennridge Area Coordinating Committee report. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Park and Recreation Committee: Marianne Hart Morano

The May 13, 2025 agenda and draft meeting minutes were provided to the Board. Consensus of the Board was to accept the Park and Recreation recommendation for the placement of a Jones memorial bench in the Willard H. Markey Centennial Park in the rear of the Park and moving a bench in that location to the golf driving range. Mr. Nyman noted the Park and Recreation member comment in the draft minutes suggested pickleball courts to replace the skate park and should be considered during budget review.

On motion by Mr. Nyman, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to accept the Park and Recreation Committee report. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

TOWNSHIP MANAGER'S REPORT: MARIANNE HART MORANO

Zoning Hearing Board Application 5284 Clymer Road. Mr. Aaron Harris was present to answer questions regarding requested variance for a side yard setback in the Resource Protection Zoning District at 5284 Clymer Road. The Zoning Hearing Board application and supporting documentation were provided to the Board.

On motion by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Nyman, to take a neutral position on the Zoning Hearing Board application as presented. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Consideration of fee adjustment payable to Traffic Planning and Design.

Professional Services Agreement Fee Adjustment Request dated May 12, 2025 in the amount of \$13,700.00 payable to Traffic Planning Design related to the Stone Edge Road Culvert replacement

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was provided to the Board. The fee adjustment was the result of a lack of software compatibility with the Township Engineers surveyor's software. The amount will be in addition to the amount of \$38,080.00 authorized March 2024.

On motion by Mr. Nyman, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to approve a fee adjustment request in the amount of \$13,700.00 as presented. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

On motion by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Nyman, to accept the Township Manager report. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: JEFF SCHOLL

Public Works activities as of May 22, 2025 were provided to the Board. There was general discussion regarding inflow and infiltration into the sewer system to the Three Mile Run pump station which could be the result of sump pump's being illegally connected to the public sewer system. The report is on file.

On motion by Mr. Nyman, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to approve the Township Public Works report. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

TOWNSHIP ENGINEER REPORT: STEVE BALUH, P.E.

Mr. Baluh stated during recent heavy rain events the minor flooding at Stone Edge culvert was sent to Traffic Planning Design; 809-901 Three Mile Run Road will have a daytime road closure starting June 9, 2025 which will be posted; and recent erosion and sediment controls at the Public Works Maintenance replacement are being addressed.

On motion by Mr. Nyman, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to accept the Township Engineer report. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR REPORT: WILL OFFINGER, ESQ.

Towing and Storage of Disabled or Abandoned Vehicles Ordinance. A public hearing was advertised and posted to act on an Ordinance to authorize procedures for the safe and orderly towing and storage of disabled or abandoned vehicles and establishing procedures for application for and maintenance of a towing license. The hearing was opened. With no public comment, the hearing was closed.

On motion by Mr. Nyman, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to adopt **Ordinance 308** to authorize towing requirements as presented. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Conditional Use Application. A conditional use application has been received for Perkasie Regional Authority Well House #7. The hearing will be advertised to be held June 24, 2025.

Everleigh Woods.

Due to the developer's failure to provide updated copies of the Agreements, **on motion** by Mr. Nyman, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to table the authorization for signatures on plans for recordation and Chairperson execution of Development Agreement and Stormwater Management Operation and Maintenance Agreement for 809-901 Three Mile Run. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

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On motion by Mr. Nietupski, seconded by Mr. Nyman, to approve the Township Solicitor report. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

DEPARTMENT AND EMERGENCY SERVICES REPORTS:

On motion by Mr. Nyman, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to acknowledge receipt of the Department and Emergency Services reports. With no additional discussion, all presented voted in favor.

NEW OR OTHER BUSINESS SUPERVISORS' ITEMS:

- Mr. Nyman stated he attended the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisor Conference.
- Mr. Nietupski also attended the Conference and asked why the Township no longer utilized Brown and Brown Insurance. Township receives a multi-trust discount with the current provider and they offer free municipal training.

PUBLIC COMMENT #2:

• Larry Wheatley, 5 Boulder Drive, stated the seller of the existing skate park equipment will buy the equipment back and he does not support donating the equipment. He asked what was the software with the Stone Edge culvert survey CAD files. Micro-station.

ADJOURNMENT:

On motion by Mr. Nyman, seconded by Mr. Nietupski, to adjourn the regular meeting into Executive Session. With no additional discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:47 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Marianne Hart Morano

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Township Manager