

BRIDGETON TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
Minutes of April 9, 2025 Regular Monthly Meeting

The regular meeting of the Bridgeton Township Board of Supervisors was held on April 9, 2025, at the Township Building, 1370 Bridgeton Hill Road, Upper Black Eddy, Pennsylvania. This meeting was also held remotely via Zoom. Present were Supervisor Gard Holby, Supervisor Roger Keller and Solicitor Dave Shafkowitz. Also present were Secretary/Treasurer Sheryl Patterson and CC Hopf (virtual). Supervisor Michael Lynch was absent.

Supervisor Holby called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM. No executive session was held.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA:

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Upon motion by Supervisor Keller and seconded by Supervisor Holby, which carried 2-0, the minutes from the March 12, 2025 regular meeting were approved.

BILLS/PAYROLL: Upon motion by Supervisor Keller and seconded by Supervisor Holby, which carried 2-0, the bills and payroll in the amount of \$ 13,001.40 were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Upon motion by Supervisor Keller and seconded by Supervisor Holby, which carried 2-0, the Treasurer's Report from March 2025 was approved.

REPORTS:

1. Fire Company - Chuck Anderson reported that the fire company responded to 15 fire calls. They prepared and sold 108 fish fry dinners and are having breakfast this weekend.
2. Open Space – a) The plans are in motion for installing the sign at the Nature Preserve; b) there is a committee that has been formed and is meeting to plan free summer community events; c) AMC worked on the Nature Preserve trail on April 5th; d) the additional trail in the Preserve (not AMC trail) also needs work; e) Bridgeton Township has conservation easements on several properties and several need to be monitored once a year to make sure the owners are honoring the easements – the Board will ask for volunteers in the future to inspect these properties.
3. Solicitor – Some Short-Term Rental Ordinance comments have been received and the revised draft will be coming soon.
4. Planning Commission – CC Hopf reported that the March meeting was cancelled due to nothing on the agenda
5. Secretary/Treasurer – the DCED Annual Report was filed on March 26, 2025.
6. B/N/T Groundwater Committee – Karl Young reported that: a) the committee is continuing to monitor wells for ground water levels; b) they are also promoting the testing of residential wells; and c) the committee is entitled to have two representatives from Bridgeton Township if anyone wants to join.
7. Road Master – report: a) there are concerns regarding equipment to be repaired; b) the bidding for the garage roof is in process – decision to be made for repair vs replacement by a certified contractor; c) the large grader may no longer be needed and will require repairs if the township keeps it.
8. Zoning Officer – submitted a written report to the Board of Supervisors.
9. Emergency Management – Terry Kuntz reported: a) the reduction of fuel load in the State Game Lands will not happen – neighbors can call the land manager for the State Game Lands if trees need to be cut at the border lines – recommendation is to build a perimeter to protect neighboring properties in the event of a fire on the State Game Lands

b) 2026 Hazard Management Plan meeting on April 29th; c) Seminar in Hershey, PA on May 4th; d) Bucks Cyber Security Workshop on May 13th; 3) UBREMS – new list for subscriptions is being sent by next week.

10. Traffic Committee – a) Radar signs are back in place until next winter; b) the grant proposal for additional traffic signs and a large message board will be awarded by September.

11. High Falls Creek – repair work is continuing with a heavy road that was constructed down to the creek bed; there is a cement pad being placed for the crane on the river side of the canal; work should be completed by December.

OLD BUSINESS:

1) Short Term Rental Ordinance – the Board has received and are reviewing lots of different comments. They are currently writing a different draft to be completed before the May 14th meeting. No action will be taken at the April 9th meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

1) There is a free electronics recycling event to be held at the Township building on Saturday, May 10th.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD:

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There is a canal clean up to be held this Saturday, April 12th.

Upon a motion by Supervisor Keller and seconded by Supervisor Keller, which carried 2-0, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheryl L. Patterson
Secretary/Treasurer