

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

The regular meeting of the Bridgeton Township Board of Supervisors was held on July 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, Supervisor Michael Lynch and Solicitor Dave Shafkowitz. Also present were Secretary/Treasurer Sheryl Patterson and CC Hopf (virtual).

Supervisor Holby called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM. An executive session was held to discuss matters of employment.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA:

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Upon motion by Supervisor Keller and seconded by Supervisor Lynch, which carried 2-0, the minutes from the June 11, 2025 regular meeting were approved.

BILLS/PAYROLL: Upon motion by Supervisor Lynch and seconded by Supervisor Keller, which carried 3-0, the bills and payroll in the amount of \$ 16,146.38 were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Upon motion by Supervisor Lynch and seconded by Supervisor Keller, which carried 3-0, the Treasurer's Report from June 2025 was approved.

REPORTS:

1. Fire Company - No report
2. Open Space – No report.
3. Solicitor – No report.
4. Planning Commission – CC Hopf reported that the June 24th meeting was held to review the lot line adjustment subdivision proposal in the VR district for William Hamberger. The planning commission reviewed the comments from the Township's engineer and the Bucks County Planning Commission. They recommend that the proposal be sent to the Board of Supervisors for approval.
5. Secretary/Treasurer – No report.
6. B/N/T Groundwater Committee – No report.
7. Road Master – Woodland Drive – re-stoned surface and cleaned ditches; preparation work for paving in 2026.
8. Zoning Officer – submitted a written report to the Board of Supervisors.
9. Emergency Management – Terry Kuntz reported that he: a) is currently working on a flier to distribute at the Bridgeton Township Expo to be held on August 16th; b) is verifying township addresses; c) wants to coordinate a volunteer group to address township concerns ; d) wants to establish a coordinated emergency location for pets and domestic animals; e) plans to update the 2026 emergency operation plan in August; and f) now has a township phone number for emergency management concerns which forwards to his personal phone.
UBREMS: a) improvement in financial condition; b) increase in subscription receipts; c) assuming payments are received from the supporting local townships, they will last until the end of the year; d) Tinicum Township is looking to move to another EMS; e) Plan B - currently St. Luke's is their preferred choice; and f) all equipment belongs to UBREMS.
10. Traffic Committee – moving around radar signs; the grant for purchasing solar powered speed signs in addition to a large sign will be awarded in September.

11. High Falls Creek – two large foundations are in place with end flares and documents of how it is being constructed are available.

12. Parks & Recreation – a) Nature Preserve sign to be installed in September; b) Summer Programs – a community building collection of events offered at “no charge”- upcoming Expo on August 16th will feature groups that provide services to the community; c) UBE RRT (Rapid Response Team) - trying to find more volunteers for working on the tow path.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Public Hearing to consider the proposed Short-Term Rental amendment to the Bridgeton Township Zoning Ordinance – Solicitor Shafkowitz reported that the open hearing has been advertised as required. He presented the following exhibits: a) copy of ordinance; b) legal notice that was advertised; c) Proof of Publication on June 20th, June 25th and June 27th; d) certification of the Bucks County Law Library; e) copy of the Bucks County Planning Commission review; and f) Bridgeton Township Planning Commission review which resulted in “no comments”. Solicitor Shafkowitz noted that the Board had reviewed the comments from the Bucks County Planning Commission and some revisions will be adopted into the ordinance. A new draft copy will be posted on the website. Upon motion by Supervisor Holby and seconded by Supervisor Keller, which carried 3-0, the continuance of the open hearing at the August 13, 2025 Board of Supervisors’ meeting was granted.

2. Hamberger Lot Line Adjustment Subdivision – background information: a) the lot line adjustment plan was reviewed by the Bridgeton Township Planning Commission and it was recommended to be presented to the Bridgeton Township Board of Supervisors; b) letters from Township engineer Tim Fulmer were presented and all items will be complied with by William Hamberger, who was in attendance at the meeting; c) Mr. Hamberger is in agreement with the Township’s ultimate right –of –way as presented. Upon motion by Supervisor Holby, and seconded by Supervisor Keller, which carried 3-0, the final approval in compliance with the Township’s engineer letters and necessary approval by outside agencies if applicable, was granted.

3. Upon motion by Supervisor Holby, seconded by Supervisor Lynch, which carried 3-0, the motion to adopt Resolution # 25-2: “A Resolution Supporting Pennsylvania House Bill 1152 Requiring Insurance Companies to Directly Reimburse Emergency Medical Service Providers for Services Rendered to Commonwealth Residents ” was granted.

4. Upon motion by Supervisor Holby, seconded by Supervisor Lynch, which carried 3-0, the appointment of Charles Ganther to work for the Township was granted, subject to meeting with one supervisor within a month.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD:

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

1. Resident Linnea McIntyre asked if public comments would be permitted at the time of the Short-Term Rental hearing on August 13th. Solicitor Shafkowitz replied “Yes”, but that it is the ultimate decision of the Board to makes changes to or approve the ordinance at the next meeting.

Upon a motion by Supervisor Keller and seconded by Supervisor Lynch, which carried 3-0, the meeting was adjourned at 8:09 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheryl L. Patterson
Secretary/Treasurer