

MAHONING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

MINUTES

March 12, 2025

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Myron Blahy called the meeting to order at 6:00PM at the Mahoning Township Building 2175 Blakeslee Blvd Dr. West, Lehigh, PA 18235.

**PRESENT:**

Myron Blahy, Vice-Chairman; Ronald Reeser, Supervisor; Ronald Wenrich, Supervisor; Thomas Nanovic, Solicitor; Natalie D. Haggerty, Secretary-Treasurer and Stephen Wanner, Township Zoning Officer

**ABSENT:** Robert Slaw, Chairman; Deborah McGowan, Supervisor

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Kimberly Snyder: Requesting relief from land development to construct a 16x28 pole building to house water tank. Mahoning Manor Estates needs an additional water tank. Attorney Nanovic directed them to go before the Planning Commission.

Sandra Palinchak: Provided update on the Lehigh Historical Society. Next meeting is Monday March 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM. There will be new displays.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**MOTION**

Ronald Wenrich made a motion to approve the Minutes of the February 12, 2025 Board of Supervisors Meeting. Seconded by Ronald Reeser. Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser and Ronald Wenrich, yes 3-0 vote. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF TRANSFERS:**

**MOTION**

Ronald Reeser made a motion to approve the following transfers:

\$18,935.15 Payroll Checking to General Checking 2/13/25

\$19,139.37 Payroll Checking to General Checking 2/20/25

\$17,805.46 Payroll Checking to General Checking 2/27/25

\$15,964.75 Payroll Checking to General Checking 3/6/25

\$537.97 Residential Street Light to General Checking

\$595.20 Residential Fire Hydrant to General Checking

Seconded by Ronald Wenrich. Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser; and Ronald Wenrich, yes 3-0 vote. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF TREASURER REPORT:**

**MOTION**

Ronald Reeser made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for February 2025. Seconded by Ronald Wenrich. Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser, yes and Ronald Wenrich, yes 3-0 vote. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS AND PAYROLLS:**

**MOTION**

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Ronald Reeser made a motion to approve the following bills and payrolls:

Bill List #530 in the amount of \$216,560.20

General Check's #25180-#25213

State Check's #1871-#1874

Building and Land Check #1108-#1109

Subdivision Land Development Check's #1594-#1598

Seconded by Myron Blahy. Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser, yes and Ronald Wenrich, yes 3-0 vote. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF REPORTS**

**MOTION**

Ronald Reeser made a motion to approve the following reports:

Mahoning Township Road Department Reports February 2, 2025-March1,2025

Mahoning Township Road Department Equipment and Fuel Log for February 2025

Mahoning Township Police Department Fuel Log for February 2025

Carbon County Tax Collection Committee Minutes February 19, 2019

LTL Consultants Building Report February 2025

Mahoning Township SEO Report January 15, 2025-February 26, 2025

Seconded by Ronald Wenrich. Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser, yes and Ronald Wenrich, yes 3-0 vote. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Motion to Advertise to Receive Sealed Bids for Road Materials and Fuels

MOTION: Ronald Reeser made a motion to advertise to receive bids for road materials and fuels. Seconded by Ronald Wenrich. Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser and Ronald Wenrich 3-0 vote. Motion carried.

Motion to Advertise Mahoning Township Condensed Financial Statement December 31, 2024

MOTION: Ronald Wenrich made a motion to advertise condensed financial statements for December 31, 2024. Seconded by Ronald Reeser. Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser and Ronald Wenrich 3-0 vote. Motion carried.

Mark Ebbert, Mahoning Valley Vol. Fire Co.

Discussion of replacement of 26yr old rescue pump truck. I hope to replace it with a newer piece of apparatus utilizing Fire Co. funds. Average price for new is \$850,000-1.2million. We located a used 2019 truck with 26,000 miles and 2000hrs. The truck is in Missouri and the broker is asking \$449,000. Advised you will need specs, and it will have to go through the bidding process. Tom asked Mark to reach out to him.

MOTION: Ronald Wenrich made a motion to proceed forward with the process in being able to place out to bid. Seconded by Ronald Reeser. Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser and Ronald Wenrich, yes 3-0 vote. Motion carried.

Dollar General Release of Site Improvements Bond

Ronald Reeser made a motion to release the remaining balance of Dollar General Site Improvements Bond in the amount of \$28,507.86. Seconded by Ronald Wenrich. Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser, yes and Ronald Wenrich. 3-0 vote. Motion carried.

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Appointment of a Chairman to the Vacancy Board (1-year) TABLE

Generator Maintenance Proposal (Diaz Building)

Natalie Haggerty shared she reached out to Powerton Generators. They provide maintenance to the Public Works Dept. generator. They will provide a quote to service Admin and Police Dept generator. Bring it back to the next meeting.

DUI Trailer Donation TABLE

Bodycam Usage TABLE

**OLD BUSINESS**

Blue Ridge Cable Franchise Agreement 10-year Renewal

Discussion took place, request to be made for internet for 2175 Blakeslee Blvd Administration and 2685 Mahoning Dr E Public Works. Tom will reach out to Blue Ridge Communications.

MOTION: Ronald Wenrich made a motion to tentatively schedule public hearing for April 9, 2025 at 5:45PM. Seconded by Ronald Reeser. Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser, yes and Ronald Wenrich, yes. 3-0 vote. Motion carried.

Warehouse Ordinance TABLE

RV Ordinance TABLE

d. A Large Vehicle may be stored, unoccupied, upon private property, including but not limited to storage on private roads owned by or leased to the owner of such Large Vehicle. All such stored Large Vehicles must be located on the side or rear of the property on a crushed stone, black top, or concrete surface capable of supporting the vehicle. All parking areas and access roads or areas that are created or expanded after the adoption of this Ordinance shall be constructed of a hard, homogeneous, all-weather surface such as cement or asphalt or equivalent; shall be graded to provide convenient vehicular access and proper drainage; and shall be maintained in good and usable condition. All existing parking areas and access roads or areas shall be constructed and maintained with an aggregate base, cement, or asphalt all-weather surface. The parking of Large Vehicles on any surface or the accessing of parking areas across any surface that is not constructed in accordance with these regulations is strictly prohibited.

e. It shall be unlawful for any Recreational Vehicle to be occupied for living purposes within the Township, whether located on a public street, public property, or private property.

Fritz Road Speed Study

Nevin Frey and Ronald Reeser provided speed study counts, recommending lowering from 35mph to 25mp. Tom will prepare draft ordinance.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

MOTION

Ronald Reeser made a motion to accept and place the correspondence on file dated March 12, 2025. Seconded by Myron Blahy. Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser, yes and Ronald Wenrich, yes 3-0 vote. Motion carried.

\*\*\*SALEM BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

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RE: REQUESTING PERMISSION FOR THE TRAIL LIFE SERVICE PROJECT TO PICK UP ROAD SIDE TRASH FROM THE LIGHT AT WALMART TO THE 902 INTERSECTION, BEGINNING THIS SPRING.

MOTION: Ronald Wenrich made a motion to send a letter granting permission for the trail life service project to pick up trash. Seconded by Ronald Reeser. Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser, yes and Ronald Wenrich, yes 3-0 vote. Motion carried.

\*\*\*CAROL ETHRIDGE

RE: THE AMERICA 250 TEAM IS WORKING WITH COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES TO SHOWCASE WHAT MAKE US EPIC-THE THEME OF EDUCATE, PRESERVE, INNOVATE, CELEBRATE. ATTACHING A SAMPLE RESOLUTION THAT IS BEING ADOPTED ACROSS PENNSYLVANIA AS PART OF THE AMERICA 250PA CELEBRATION IN 2026

MOTION: Myron Blahy made a motion to adopt resolution supporting the PA Commission for the US Semi quincentennial (America250PA). Seconded by Ronald Wenrich. Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser, yes and Ronald Wenrich, yes 3-0 vote. Motion carried.

\*\*\*BLUE RIDGE FIBER, NOTIFICATION OF MULTI-YEAR REBUILD OF NETWORK WHICH WILL RESULT IN RE: FIELD TECHNICIANS INSTALLING FIBER, POSSIBLE LANE CLOSURES WITH TRAFFIC CONTROL AND CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION IN ADVANCE OF WHEN WORK WILL BE PERFORMED ON CUSTOMER PROPERTY.

\*\*\*CARBON CONSERVATION DISTRICT, BRIANA FULMER, CHAPTER 102 TECHNICIAN

RE: ZAWADA HOME PROJECT ADEQUACY REVIEW; ADEQUATE TO CONTROL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION DURING CONSTRUCTION.

\*\*\*CARBON CONSERVATION DISTRICT, BRIANA FULMER, CHAPTER 102 TECHNICIAN

RE: MOYER HOME PROJECT ADEQUACY REVIEW; ADEQUATE TO CONTROL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION DURING CONSTRUCTION

\*\*\*CARBON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION, IVAN MEIXELL

RE: REVIEW OF SABOL MINOR SUBDIVISION HAS FOUND SEVERAL AREAS OF NON-COMPLAINE WITH THE MAHONING TOWNSHIP LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE. PLAN APPROVAL WILL NOT BE RECOMMENDED UNTIL NOTED COMMENTS ARE ADDRESSED AND MITIGATED BEFORE FINAL PLAN APPROVAL.

\*\*\*LTL CONSULTANTS, LTD, STEPHEN WANNER

RE: PERMIT DENIAL FOR POLE BUILDING, AHNER, 445 UPPER NIS HOLLOW DRIVE

\*\*\*PA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, MICHAEL B CARROLL, SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION

RE: NOTIFICATION OF PAYMENT OF LIQUID FUEL TAX FUND, MARCH 2025. \$214,365.32

\*\*\*PA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, CHETT PESTA, PENNDOT BUREAU OF PLANNING AND RESEARCH TRANSPORTATION PLANNING DIVISION

RE: NOTIFICATION OF TRAFFIC COUNTING ON MUNICIPALLY OWNED ROADS (MAR 2025 – NOV 2025)

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

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Police Committee: Nothing to report.

Road Committee:

Nevin Frey shared he received a verbal complaint from Mark Schwalm regarding the road condition of Breezewood. Nevin advised to submit a written complaint to the administration office. No complaint received.

**OFFICIALS:**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION**

Myron Blahy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:51PM. Seconded by Ronald Reeser. Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser, yes and Ronald Wenrich, yes 3-0 vote. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Natalie D. Haggerty  
Secretary-Treasurer