

BOS Meeting Minutes
Washington Township,
Lehigh County
Emerald, PA
June 3rd, 2025

Chairman Josh Friebolin called the monthly meeting for Washington Township, Lehigh County Board of Supervisors to order at 7:30 PM at the Washington Township Building, 7951 Center St. Emerald, PA.

This meeting has been recorded for the accuracy of taking minutes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Members Present – Chairman Josh Friebolin, Vice Chairman Shawn Wanamaker, Member Tom Dengler

Roll Call: Shawn Wanamaker- Yes; Tom Dengler-Yes; Josh Friebolin-Yes

Also present were Manager Wade Marlatt, Secretary/Treasurer Brooke Lichtenwalter, and Attorney John Ashley

Motion to approve the 6/3/2025 workshop minutes was made by Shawn Wanamaker and seconded by Tom Dengler.

Roll call: Shawn Wanamaker- Yes; Tom Dengler- Yes; Josh Friebolin-Yes

Motion to approve the 5/6/2025 minutes of the Board of Supervisors meeting was made by Shawn Wanamaker and seconded by Tom Dengler.

Roll call: Shawn Wanamaker- Yes; Tom Dengler- Yes; Josh Friebolin-Yes

Motion to approve the April 2025 Treasurer's Report was made by Shawn Wanamaker and seconded by Tom Dengler.

Roll call: Shawn Wanamaker- Yes; Tom Dengler- Yes; Josh Friebolin-Yes

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS: None

SUBDIVISIONS: None

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT:

Joe Mead was present for the emergency management report. June 2nd was the start of the Atlantic hurricane season. The National Weather Service is predicting a 60% increase in an

above average storm season. They predict 19-20 storms with three possibly becoming major hurricanes. Within the upcoming weeks, now is a good time to check and service generators, clean gutters and drainage. Make sure to stock up on flashlights, batteries, as well as other essentials.

Joe recently attended the County EMA meeting. The topic was Preparations for the Limerick exercise. There was also a tour of the updated County Emergency Operations Center.

Deputy Matt Stevens and Joe also attended joint hard drill of the fire companies, PEMA, and EMA.

Joe was present at the Lehigh Valley Safety Committee meeting for Emergency Planning. He will also attend a virtual work shop for PEMA for local level recovery on June 16-17th, 2025.

The notification and resource manual is due for an update. This manual includes some of the contacts from the township, the fire department, and other relevant individuals, in preparation of a large scale emergency if it were to happen. Joe will have this manual submitted by July of 2025.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Ag-Security for 8367 Furnace Road, Slatington PA 18080, PIN number 554136625755-1, 8.81 Acres for Earl and Kelly Zellner.
2. Josh read the thank you letter from the Lehigh Gap Nature Center.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Motion was made by Shawn Wanamaker to release the budgeted \$1,000.00 donation of 2025 to the Friedens Athletic Association and seconded by Tom Dengler.

Roll call: Shawn Wanamaker- Yes; Tom Dengler- Yes; Josh Friebohn-Yes

2. Motion was made by Shawn Wanamaker to approve the Lehigh County's new P25 radio network and the payment option of five years with zero percent interest at the annual rate of \$76,947.30, total amount \$384,736.50, starting on June 1st of 2026 and seconded by Tom Dengler.

Roll call: Shawn Wanamaker- Yes; Tom Dengler- Yes; Josh Friebohn-Yes

3. Motion was made by Shawn Wanamaker to approve Asphalt Maintenance Solutions, LLC to complete the Eagles Nest parking lot repairs plus a fog seal topcoat in the amount of \$20,126.90 (repairs) plus \$6,275.85 (topcoat), total being \$26,402.75 and seconded by Tom Dengler.

Roll call: Shawn Wanamaker- Yes; Tom Dengler- Yes; Josh Friebohn-Yes

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Joel Merkel came before the supervisors to ask for permission to get a dry hydrant repaired on Mr. Rex's property. Mr. Rex would be willing to take care of the bill for the dry hydrant with supplies needed for the repair, and completing the work.

Attorney John Ashley and Manager Wade Marlatt advised Joel to submit a letter and to discuss plans with Zoning Officer Duane Dellecker, before any work should be started.

SUPERVISOR COMMENT:

Chairman Josh Friebolin announced Clean Up Day will be this Saturday, June 7th, 2025 from 8:00 AM until 12:00 PM.

Josh also said that there would be an Executive Session that would be held after tonight's meeting regarding personnel.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 6/3/2025 at 7:48 PM.

A motion was made by Shawn Wanamaker for adjournment and seconded by Tom Dengler.

Roll Call: Shawn Wanamaker- Yes; Tom Dengler- Yes; Josh Friebolin-Yes

Respectfully submitted,

Brooke Lichtenwalter

Secretary/Treasurer
Washington Township, Lehigh County

