

**BOS Meeting Minutes**  
Washington Township,  
Lehigh County  
Emerald, PA  
March 4<sup>th</sup>, 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 –Josh Friebolin, Shawn Wanamaker, Tom Dengler

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

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

Motion to approve the 3/4/2025 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 2/4/2025 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 January 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 gave the Emergency Management Report for this meeting. Springtime is a good time to evaluate properties for brush and wildfires. A website that can be helpful is: [readyforwildfire.org](http://readyforwildfire.org)

Joe attended the Lehigh County EMA quarterly meeting on February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025. The topic of discussion was the new county radio system. The township will be receiving a letter from the county laying out a purchase and payback program.

Matt Stevens and Joe will be attending a few classes this month. One being the FEMA Homeland Security exercise program which is March 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025. The Lehigh Valley Emergency Services Conference is March 27<sup>th</sup> to the March 29<sup>th</sup> at DeSales University.

Lehigh Emergency Services Training Academy will be hosting a Spring session that will be running from April 17<sup>th</sup> to June 5<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM. These courses are free and will be held at Fogelsville Fire Company. Secretary Brooke Lichtenwalter does have the flyer if anyone needs more information.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Josh Friebolin read the thank you letter from Slatington Public Library for the 2025 donation in the amount of \$5,000.00.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Motion to approve the release of the budgeted donation for 2025 of \$30,000.00 to the Friedens Fire Company was made by Shawn Wanamaker and seconded by Tom Dengler.

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

2. Motion to approve the Resolution 2025-03 Addition of Agricultural Security Area 5654 Ridge Road, Slatington, PA 18080 was made by Shawn Wanamaker and seconded by Tom Dengler.

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

3. Motion to approve the Northern Lehigh Recreation Authority requests to use Eagles Nest:
  - a. Bulldog Blast Summer Rec Program Fridays from June 23<sup>rd</sup> through August 8<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM until 1:00 PM.
  - b. Walk With Ease program (on new walking trail) every Monday and Friday from April 14<sup>th</sup> through May 23<sup>rd</sup> from 11:15 AM to 12:15 PM.
  - c. Cornhole Tournament on May 17<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 AM until 5:00 PM and to allow set up throughout the week leading up to the tournament. There will be food trucks, music, and local organizations.
  - d. For the Cornhole Tournament the Northern Lehigh Recreation Authority are requesting approval for vendors that would sell alcoholic beverages. The NLRA will ensure all necessary certificates of insurance are provided.
  - e. Trunk or Treat on October 17<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 PM until 7:30 PM.

The motion to approve Northern Lehigh Recreation Authority's use of Eagles Nest Park (3a-e) was made by Shawn Wanamaker and seconded by Tom Dengler.

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**SUPERVISOR COMMENT:** Executive sessions were held on 2/26/25 and 3/4/25 to interview and to discuss personnel.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** 3/4/2025 at 7:42 PM.

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Brooke Lichtenwalter

Secretary/Treasurer  
Washington Township, Lehigh County

