

**MINUTES
BETHEL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SEPTEMBER 18, 2025**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Bethel Township Board of Supervisors was held at 7:00 p.m. at the Bethel Township Building, 3015 S. Pine Grove Street, Fredericksburg, Pa with the following people present;

Bruce Light	Supervisor
Richard Rudy	Supervisor
Melissa Johnson	Township Manager
Matthew Mack	Township Engineer
Andrew Morrow	Township Solicitor

Approximately, eleven audience members were in attendance.

The Call to Order was made and the Pledge to the Flag was completed.

COMMENTS - Clint LeRoy commented on the speed limit on Airport Road, street lights not working and the trucks driving off the road at the intersection of Main Street and Rte 22 and Greg Dunbar commented on the property on Stracks Dam Road that recently had a zoning hearing.

MINUTES - Bruce Light made a motion to approve the August 14, 2025 and the September 10, 2025 minutes as presented. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

ROADMASTER REPORT - Supervisor Light read the report as presented.

ENGINEERS BUSINESS - Engineer Mack reported on the following:

Randy Martin Implement Shed Stormwater Management Plan Approval - Pending, Cost Estimate

Bell and Evans - Chestnut Hill Road and Blue Mtn Road - Pending, still working with the Planning Board. All but one site distance problem has been addressed.

Bell and Evans Realty II, LLC - Cook Facility Plan - Alex Kinzey, Steckbeck Engineering gave a brief update.

Waiver Request: §22-512.3.a & b - Curb and Sidewalks: On hold.

A time extension will be needed by the October 9, 2025 meeting.

County of Lebanon - Communication Tower Site

Planning Waiver & Non-Building Declaration

Bruce Light made a motion to approve the Planning Waiver and Non-Building Declaration as presented. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

Plan Approval

Bruce Light made a motion to approve the plan as presented. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

Bell and Evans II, LLC - Transportation Center

Time Extension Request

Bruce Light made a motion to accept the time extension request of November 14, 2025. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

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Cold Springs Rental Financial Security Request

Richard Rudy made a motion to release the financial security in the amount of \$96,832.02 and hold \$10,759.11 for an 18-month maintenance period, as recommended by the township engineer. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

Christ Lantz - Third Dwelling Subdivision Planning Module Component 2

Richard Rudy made a motion to approve the Christ Lantz - Third Dwelling Subdivision Planning Module Component 2 Resolution 091825-A as presented. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

Michelle Grumbine Ag Operation

Waiver Requests:

§22-304.2.A - Preliminary Plan

Bruce Light made a motion to grant waiver request §22-304.2.A- Preliminary Plan. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

§22-403.C.(2)(c) & 22-511- Monuments and Pins

Bruce Light made a motion to grant waiver request §22-403.C.(2)(c) & 22-511- Monuments and Pins, with pins to be placed on the west, south and part of the north boundary only, as recommended by the Planning Commission Board. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

§22-512.3.A, 22-513.3.B & 22-512.3.C - Curbs, Sidewalks and Streetlights

Bruce Light made a motion to grant waiver request §22-512.3.A, 22-513.3.B & 22-512.3.C – Curbs, Sidewalks and Streetlights. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

§22-512.2 - Street Lighting Duct System

Bruce Light made a motion to grant waiver request §22-512.2 - Street Lighting Duct System. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

Time Extension Request

Bruce Light made a motion to approve the time extension request of January 18, 2026. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

Dew Mist Farms Land Development Plan

Time Extension Request

Bruce Light made a motion to approve the time extension request of December 30, 2025. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

Lebanon Solar 22 Project

Time Extension Request

Richard Rudy made a motion to approve the time extension request of November 21, 2025. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

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Jeff Brubaker - 2288 S. Pine Grove Street

Time Extension Request

Bruce Light made a motion to approve the time extension request of December 12, 2025. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

SOLICITOR BUSINESS - Solicitor Morrow reported on the following:

Zoning Ordinance Review Update - Pending, working with Zoning Officer on updates.

RECREATION REPORT - Samantha Acri gave the report.

Trunk or Treat October 12, 2025 - Bruce Light made a motion to approve the Trunk or Treat date of October 23, 2024. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

FSWA REPORT - Supervisor Rudy gave a brief report. Copies of their minutes were provided to the Board.

FINANCIAL REPORT - Bruce Light made a motion to approve the Financial Report as presented in the meeting packet, subject to audit. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

BILLS PAYABLE - Bruce Light made a motion to approve the Bills Payable as presented in the meeting packet. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

Speed Study (Mill Road & Chestnut Hill Road) - Engineer Mack is waiting to hear back from PennDOT.

Intersection at Camp Strause Road and Mountain Drive - Engineer Mack reported the project is complete and the intersection looks a lot cleaner.

Low Volume Road Funding - Camp Strause Road Culvert Replacement - Traffic Count and Application - Engineer Mack received comments from Lebanon County Conservation District that need addressed, then the township needs to sign the application.

Pine Meadows Golf Course Request - Pine Meadow Roads - Pending, letter from the golf course.

NEW BUSINESS

Accept Resignation from Beverly Martel - Planning Commission Board - Bruce Light made a motion to accept the resignation from Beverly Martel from the Planning Commission Board. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

CPA - Garcia Garman & Shea, PC - 2025 Audit - Solicitor Morrow will prepare a resolution for consideration of adoption at the November or December meeting, to hire a CPA firm for the 2025 Audit. Townships are no longer required to advertise their intent to hire a CPA firm.

The Lebanon County Municipal Officials Convention October 7, 2025 - Richard Rudy made a motion to authorize attendance and reimbursement of wages for the 2025 Lebanon County Municipals Officials Convention, October 7, 2024, for Richard Rudy, Michael Saphore, Bruce Light, Melissa Johnson and Kathy Sheroky. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

Trick-or Treat, October 31st from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. - Richard Rudy made a motion to approve Trick or Treat October 31 from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

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2026 Minimum Municipal Obligation - Pension Plan \$46,288.00 - Richard Rudy made a motion that the Board of Supervisors reviewed and approved the 2026 Minimum Municipal Obligation of \$46,288.00, for the Non-Uniform Pension Plan. Seconded by Bruce Light. All voted in favor.

Back-up Camera - Skid Loader - Pending quotes.

Resolution 091825 - Statewide Local Share Assessment Grant - Fredericksburg Fire Co. \$30,342.00 - Bruce Light made a motion to adopt Resolution 091825 - Statewide Local Share Assessment Grant for the Fredericksburg Fire Co. for \$30,342.00. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

Mt. Zion Fire Co. Fire Police Special Duty Request - October 17th & 18th - Leb. Valley Livestock Auction – After a lengthy discussion on the township's possible liability if the event is not a township or Fire Company event. Bruce Light made a motion to authorize the Mt. Zion Fire Police Special Duty Request on October 17th and 18th at the Lebanon Valley Livestock Auction. The motion died for a lack of a second.

The request will be revisited next month when all three Supervisors are in attendance.

David Brubaker, Beth West and Jason Martin commented.

Executive Session - Personnel Matter - Chairman Rudy announced that the Supervisors along with Solicitor Morrow will meet in executive session to discuss a personnel matter.

ADJOURNMENT - With no further business, Bruce Light made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Melissa Johnson
Secretary**