

**MINUTES
BETHEL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
JUNE 11, 2026**

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;

David Brubaker	Supervisor
Richard Rudy	Supervisor
Michael Saphore	Supervisor
Melissa Johnson	Township Manager
Matt Mack	Mack Engineering
Andrew Morrow	Township Solicitor

Approximately Nine (9) audience members were in attendance.

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

COMMENTS – None.

MINUTES - David Brubaker made a motion to approve the May 14, 2026 meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

ROADMASTER REPORT - Supervisor Saphore gave the report.

ENGINEERS BUSINESS - Engineer Mack reported on the following:

Palmyra Homes:

Time Extension Request from 6/15/26 until 9/13/26 - Michael Saphore made a motion to accept the extension from June 15, 2026 until September 13, 2026. Seconded by David Brubaker. All voted in favor.

Sewage Facilities Planning Module Exemption - Michael Saphore made a motion to approve the Sewage Facilities Planning Module Exemption as presented and authorize the Chairman to sign. Seconded by David Brubaker. All voted in favor.

Lebanon Solar 22 - Time Extension Request from 6/24/26 until 11/21/26 - David Brubaker made a motion to accept the time extension from June 24, 2026 until November 21, 2026. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

Letter from Planning Commission Regarding Act 209 - To legally adopt and implement Act 209 impact fees, the township must fulfill the following specific requirements.

- Establish an Advisory Committee
- Define Transportation Service Area
- Adopt the Three Core Studies
- Meet Strict Notice and Hearing Requirements
- Standardize Fee Calculation
- Establish Credits and Exemptions

After some discussion and review of the requirements, David Brubaker made a motion to table until the July 2026 meeting, to give the Board more time to review and understand the specific requirements. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

FSWA Land Use Planning Letter - Michael Saphore made a motion to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the Land Use Planning Letter for the Fredericksburg Sewer and Water Authority prepared by Mack Engineering. Seconded by David Brubaker. All voted in favor.

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Additional Maintenance Garage - Approval to Advertise for Bids on PennBid - Richard Rudy made a motion to approve to advertise for the Additional Maintenance Garage bids on PennBid. Seconded by Michael Sphore. All voted in favor.

SOLICITOR BUSINESS - Solicitor Morrow reported on the following:

Zoning Ordinance Review Update - Meetings were held between Solicitor Morrow and the Township Zoning Officer. The final draft should be ready for the July Planning Commission Meeting for review.

Copart of Connecticut, Inc. Agreement - David Brubaker made a motion to enter into the agreement with Copart of Connecticut, Inc. and the JME Lebanon, LP and authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement. Seconded by Michael Sphore. All voted in favor.

Agricultural Security Area Application - Elvin & Lenna Martin & Joseph & Dawn Detweiler - 65 Halteman Lane - 19-2344128-398695 - Pending, the July meeting.

Agricultural Security Area Application - Michael & Richelle Blecker - 221 Long Road - 19-2354023-395358 and 1667 Mt. Zion Road - 19-2349817-393766 - Pending, the August meeting.

RECREATION REPORT - Samantha Acri reported on the following:

Daily Admission Per Person - \$2.50 for July 4th Weekend (Friday - Sunday) - David Brubaker made a motion to approve the daily admission price of \$2.50 per person for the July 4th weekend (Friday-Sunday). Seconded by Michael Sphore. All voted in favor.

Head Lifeguard Wage - \$16.00 per hour - Michael Sphore made a motion to approve the Head Lifeguard wage of \$16.00 an hour. Seconded by David Brubaker. All voted in favor.

Lifeguard - Trinity Yordy - \$15.00 per hour - Richard Rudy made a motion to approve hiring Trinity Yordy as a lifeguard at \$15.00 per hour. Seconded by Michael Sphore. All voted in favor.

Removal of Board Member John Shireman - Michael Sphore made a motion to approve removing John Shireman as a Board member for lack of attendance, as recommended by the Park and Recreation Board Members. Seconded by David Brubaker. All voted in favor.

County Line Pest Control & Landscaping, LLC - \$175.00 Carpenter Bees/Stinging Insects Control - David Brubaker made a motion to approve the County Line Pest Control and Landscaping, LLC for the amount of \$175.00. Seconded by Michael Sphore. All voted in favor.

FSWA REPORT - Chairman Rudy gave a brief report, next meeting is Monday, June 15, 2026.

FINANCIAL REPORT - David Brubaker made a motion to approve the Financial Report as presented in the meeting packet, subject to audit. Seconded by Michael Sphore. All voted in favor.

BILLS PAYABLE - Michael Sphore made a motion to approve the Bills Payable as presented in the meeting packet. Seconded by David Brubaker. All voted in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

Low Volume Road Funding - Camp Strause Road Culvert Replacement Update - Engineer Mack reported that the project is moving along. The plans needed updated to have a box culvert installed. Supervisor Sphore and the Road Foreman will meet with Engineer Mack at the site to review the proposed work.

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NEW BUSINESS

ECI Construction - Request to Close School Drive 6/15/26 - 7/6/26 - David Brubaker made a motion to approve ECI Construction to close School Drive from June 15, 2026 through July 6, 2026. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

Mt. Zion Fire Police - Special Duty Request - August 4, 2026 Lebanon Produce Auction - Richard Rudy made a motion to approve the Mt. Zion Fire Police Special Duty Request of August 2, 2026 for the Lebanon Produce Auction. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

Mt. Zion Community Fire Co. - Special Duty Request - July 3, 2026 Jonestown Parade - Michael Saphore made a motion to approve the Mt. Zion Community Fire Co. Special Duty Request of July 3, 2026 for the Jonestown Parade. Seconded by David Brubaker. All voted in favor.

Agenda Request - Fredericksburg Fire Co. #1 - Updating Box Cards to latest LCDES Format - Kevin Snader, Fredericksburg Fire Co. #1 was present to discuss the updating of the box cards to latest LCDES format. Discussion was held with the Board of Supervisors. The Board agreed they will review the information and get back to him.

Executive Session - Possible Litigation - The executive session was held from 7:50 p.m. until 8:45 p.m. to discuss the possibility of litigation.

ADJOURNMENT - With no further business, David Brubaker made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Melissa Johnson
Secretary**