

**MINUTES
BETHEL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
JULY 9, 2026**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Bethel Township Board of Supervisors was held at 7:03 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 fourteen audience members were in attendance.

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

COMMENTS - None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

An executive session was held on June 11, 2026 at 7:50 p.m. until 8:45 p.m. to discuss the possibility of litigation. In attendance were Supervisors Brubaker, Saphore and Rudy, Township Manager Melissa Johnson and Township Solicitor Andrew Morrow.

An executive session was held on June 22, 2026 at 1:30 p.m. until 2:19 p.m. to discuss potential litigation. In attendance were Supervisors Brubaker and Rudy, Township Manager Melissa Johnson and Township Solicitor Andrew Morrow.

MINUTES - Michael Saphore made a motion to approve the June 11, 2026 meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by David Brubaker. All voted in favor.

ROADMASTER REPORT - Supervisor Saphore read the report.

Greble Road will be closed July 13, 2026 through July 17, 2027 for base repair and pipe crossing. Chairman Rudy asked for the closure to be put on the electronic sign.

ENGINEERS BUSINESS - Engineer Mack reported on the following:

Zimmerman - Shady Lane Farms, 1020 Houtztown Road - Waiver of Land Development - David Brubaker made a motion to grant the waiver of land development. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan Proposed Trailer and House Addition for Christ Lantz-

Time Extension Request July 20, 2026 to October 20, 2026 – The time extension was not needed.

Michael Saphore made a motion to authorize the chairman to sign and date the July 3, 2026 Amended Letter of Credit. Seconded by David Brubaker. All voted in favor.

Michael Saphore made a motion to approve and sign the Subdivision and Land Development Improvements Agreement dated July 8, 2026. Seconded by David Brubaker. All voted in favor.

David Brubaker made a motion to approve and sign the Stormwater and Declaration of Easement dated July 8, 2026. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

David Brubaker made a motion to approve and sign the Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan Proposed Trailer and House Addition for Christ Lantz as presented, dated December 22, 2025 with a last revision date of June 4, 2026. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

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Jeff Brubaker, 2288 South Pine Grove Street - Minor Subdivision and Land Development Plan - Richard Rudy made a motion to accept the time extension of August 14, 2026 to October 14, 2026. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

Bell and Evans Realty II, LLC (Legionaire Drive) - David Brubaker made a motion to accept the time extension of August 13, 2026 to February 9, 2027. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

Paul Nolt Land Development - Financial Security Request - David Brubaker made a motion to approve a partial release of the financial security in the amount of \$152,396.00 and retaining a balance of \$54,056.47. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

Letter from Planning Commission Regarding Act 209 - Discussion was held on the creation of an Act 209 plan. The discussion died for a lack of a motion to move forward with the creation of a plan.

Joyce Myers and Jim Mentzer from LebTown commented.

Airport Road Curbing and Sidewalks - Mike Bracrella from Bell and Evans was present to discuss the installation of curbing and sidewalks along Airport Road in lieu of installing curbing and sidewalks along Rte 22 for the Transportation Center.

David Brubaker made a motion to release the Bell and Evans, in lieu of sidewalks, original check number 0322 for the amount of \$71,106.00, dated April 15, 2026, for the purpose of constructing the Airport Road curbing and sidewalks. Seconded by Richard Rudy. All voted in favor.

Michael Saphore made a motion to allow Bell and Evans to complete work within the township right of way. Seconded by David Brubaker. All voted in favor.

Richard Rudy made a motion to approve the request to close Airport Road with the condition they must coordinate with the township on the closure. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

Discussion was held on the school's responsibility and their agreement to install the curbs and sidewalks. The Board agreed that the school will not be off the hook and there is accountability for agreements that are made for plan approval. Engineer Mack will contact the Business Director and report back to the township Supervisors.

Comments were received from Dale Snader and Chris Rhoades

SOLICITOR BUSINESS - Solicitor Morrow reported on the following:

Zoning Ordinance Review Update - The zoning officer is working on compiling the information to one source for review by the township solicitor.

Resolution 070926 - Agricultural Security Area Application - Elvin & Lenna Martin & Joseph & Dawn Detweiler - 65 Halteman Lane - 19-2344128-398695 - Michael Saphore made a motion to adopt Resolution 070926 - AGRICULTURAL SECURITY AREA ADDITION LANDS OF ELVIN MARTIN, LENNA MARTIN, JOSEPH DETWEILER AND DAWN DETWEILER. Seconded by David Brubaker. All voted in favor.

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:

Lifeguard - Bryce Yocum - \$15.00 per hour - David Brubaker made a motion to ratify the hiring of Bryce Yocum as a lifeguard at \$15.00 per hour. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

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Concession Stand Employees:

Hire Ryleigh Hopkins and Nicholas Oliver - Richard Rudy made a motion to hire Ryleigh Hopkins and Nicholas Oliver as Concession Stand Employees at \$10.00 per hour. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

Terminate Hannah Stoner - No Show - David Brubaker made a motion to terminate the employment of Hannah Stoner as a Concession Stand Employee. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

Resignation - Kara Miller - Declined Job Offer - David Brubaker made a motion to accept the resignation of Kara Miller as a Concession Stand Employee. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

Wicked Kolors - Approval to Pay Deposit and a Budget up to \$12,000.00 - David Brubaker made a motion to approve paying the deposit of \$5,750.00 and a budget of up to \$12,000.00 to Wicked Kolors for the installation of a Solid Color with Aggregate System and MVB Flake System in the large pavilion. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

FSWA REPORT - Chairman Rudy gave a brief report, next meeting is Monday, July 20, 2026.

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

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

OLD BUSINESS

Fredericksburg Fire Co. #1 - Updating Box Cards to latest LCDES Format - After review, Michael Saphore made a motion to approve the Fredericksburg Fire Co. #1 request to update the box cards to the latest LCDES format. Seconded by David Brubaker. All voted in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

Groff Tractor & Equipment - Rental Contract of Tandem Roller \$2,350.00 - Michael Saphore made a motion to approve the rental of a Tandem Roller at the cost of \$2,350.00. Seconded by David Brubaker. All voted in favor.

Pesticide License Requirement - Maintenance Crew - Roadmaster Saphore will be addressing the two Maintenance Crew individuals that have to meet the Pesticide License Requirements as part of their employment.

ADJOURNMENT - With no further business, David Brubaker made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m. Seconded by Michael Saphore. All voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Melissa Johnson
Secretary**