

Penn Township Supervisor Meeting

May 21, 2025

Chairman Isaac Ramer Jr. called the 5.21.2025 Supervisor Meeting to order at 6:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present included: Supervisors: Isaac Ramer Jr., Mark Strawser, Ross Smoker, Solicitor Jim Bathgate and Township Manager Julie Hartley

Public Present: Bill Kline, Chad Brandt, Paul Long, Chris Fetter, Damien Zimmerman, Gerald Fulkroad, Colin Rice and Jon Payne

Minutes – On motion by Ross Smoker, seconded by Mark Strawser, and Board acclamation to approve the May 7, 2025 supervisor's meeting minutes.

Chairman Isaac Ramer Jr. announced that a meeting with Penn DOT was held today with the Board of Supervisors and others from 4:00 pm until 5:00 pm and an executive session was held from 5:00 pm until 5:45 pm with no decisions made at that time.

Persons Present to be Heard:

Colin Rice, DH&L Fire – Colin noted that there were forty-one incidents and sixteen thousand dollars in fire damage on Sassafras Street during the month of April. He thanked the road crew for assisting the fire company with road closures during the storms. The fundraiser that was held last week was well attended and successful.

Gerald Fulkroad, Breezewood – Gerald noted that Berk's Homes would like to purchase sixteen of the building lots, one at a time, in phase two of the Breezewood Development. Jim shared that normally a development would need to finish within five years of the approved plans and this development was started in the 1990s. Gerald said the sixteen lots that he would like to sell have water and sewer in place and were inspected by Pete DeWire a few years ago and were in working condition. Gerald said part of the holdup was that the HOA from the current development would not allow access but he said they have worked that out. Jim will research the plans and agreements and recommended that Gerald attend a Planning Commission meeting with the plans. Jim also recommended that the plans be reviewed by the township engineer before any final decisions are made.

On motion by Isaac Ramer Jr., seconded by Ross Smoker, and Board acclamation to have Jim Bathgate research the plans and filings and have Gerald Fulkroad attend a Planning Commission meeting for recommendation.

New Business:

Roadmaster Position – Isaac explained that a candidate for Roadmaster had been selected but he decided not to take the position so new interviews have been scheduled for this week.

Township Building Roof – Mark explained that during a recent rain storm, dripping could be heard above the one bay of the garage. Isaac said that estimates will need to be secured.

On motion by Isaac Ramer Jr., seconded by Ross Smoker, and Board acclamation to have Mark get three estimates for roof replacement on the municipal building.

Prohibiting E Bikes at East Snyder Park – Discussion was held about not allowing e bikes and scooters at the park because of the potential of injury. Jim asked the Board if they wanted to adopt an ordinance so that enforcement could be done. Jim will check on ordinance options and report back at a later time.

On motion by Mark Strawser, seconded by Ross Smoker, and Board acclamation to purchase four "No E Bike" signs for East Snyder Park.

Conditional Use Findings for Selinsgrove Ford – Jim explained that the Conditional Use for Selinsgrove Ford was denied because of the project being a replacement instead of an alteration.

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On motion by Isaac Ramer Jr., seconded by Mark Strawser, and Board acclamation to sign the Conditional Use Findings for Selinsgrove Ford.

Quotes for Universal & Miller Farm Road Aprons – Discussion was held regarding Miller Farm Road and Universal Road's apron repair. Mark read the three quotes that were from Dave Gutelius Inc., Mid-State Paving and Rite Way Sealing and Paving Inc. The lowest bid was Dave Gutelius Inc. at \$14,755.23.

On motion by Ross Smoker, seconded by Mark Strawser, and Board acclamation to award the bid to Dave Gutelius Inc. in the amount of \$14,755.23 to repair the aprons of Miller Farm Road and Universal Road.

Set Conditional Use Hearing for Henry Chiarkas – Jim explained that a conditional use hearing needs scheduled for Henry Chiarkas that was submitted on May 16th and is due by July 15th.

On motion by Isaac Ramer Jr., seconded by Ross Smoker, and Board acclamation to set the Henry Chiarkas Conditional Use Hearing for July 2nd at 5:30 pm.

Old Business: None

Public Comment: None

FYI:

- ACH Payroll Report 5.15.25
- Check Register 5.7.25 to 5.21.25

Land/Subdivision:

- Selinsgrove Ford Land Dev., filed 3.21.25, due 6.19.25
- Burlew/Klingler Add-On Subdivision, filed 5.12.25, due 8.8.25
- Henry Chiarkas Cond. Use, filed 5.16.25, due 7.15.25, hearing 7.2.25 at 5:30 pm

Approval of Accounts Payable (State and General Funds)- **On Motion by Ross Smoker, seconded by Mark Strawser, and Board acclamation, to pay bills.**

Adjournment - **On motion by Ross Smoker, second by Isaac Ramer Jr., and Board acclamation the May 21, 2025 Supervisor's Meeting was adjourned at 6:32 PM.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie Hartley
Manager