

Minutes
Springfield Township Supervisors Meeting
March 9, 2026

CALL TO ORDER Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. In attendance were supervisors Jeff Eaton, Luke Weldon and Eric Taylor; Solicitor Gery Nietupski (excused/absent) and Meredith Borstorff, secretary.

MINUTES Luke Weldon moved to approve minutes of the Feb. 9 Conditional Use hearing. Seconded by Eric Taylor; passed by unanimous roll-call vote. Luke Weldon moved to approve minutes of the Feb. 9 regular meeting. Seconded by Eric Taylor; passed by unanimous roll-call vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT As of 3/9/26 Total Assets: General Fund -- \$446,597.32; Liquid Fuels -- \$242,322.02. Jeff Eaton moved to approve the Treasurer's Report (subject to audit); seconded by Luke Weldon passed by unanimous roll-call vote.

BILLS Payment of the bills on the bill list were unanimously approved by a roll-call vote upon a motion by Luke Weldon and seconded by Eric Taylor. (Including a bill from SEI for the final truck payment that may come due prior to the April meeting; approx. \$130,000). Bills as follows: GF \$150,292.38, LF \$806.31, P-card \$563.58, and \$36,594.32 paid during the month.

CORRESPONDENCE

ECATO Yearbook Dinner – March 26. Eric & Jeff will attend.

PennDOT – Traffic counters will be placed March 2 – November 19 on the following roads: Bond, Lucas, Main, Middle, Sanford.

PUBLIC COMMENT Bill Marino asked if it is true that a data center will be going into the game lands. The BOS indicated this is strictly rumor at this point. However, we are looking into an ordinance to address data centers.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION:

CU2026-002: 4825 Rudd Rd. – Short-term rental. Luke Weldon moved to approve the request. Eric Taylor seconded; passed by unanimous, roll-call vote - with the following conditions):

- 1) 2-3 night minimum rentals.
- 2) Maximum of 6 guests.
- 3) Must have a local property manager (or similar), available 24/7 for any issues related to renters or maintenance of the property.
- 4) Processing of any wildlife or fish is strictly prohibited.
- 5) Pets are also prohibited.
- 6) The Conditional Use Permit shall not be transferable and/or assignable.

Warrant Tax Collector Jeff Eaton moved to warrant the tax collector to collect \$283,247.73 based on Real Estate assessed at \$171,662,625; and any adjustments as authorized through the Erie County Assessment office by means of interim tax billing, exonerations, and refunds. Luke Weldon seconded; passed by unanimous, roll-call vote. Taxes are for Property (@ 1 mill), Fire (@ .4 mill), and EMS (@ .25 mill), for a total of \$171,662.63, \$68,665.06, and \$42,920.04, respectively. (There are rounding discrepancies from Tax Claim & RBA.)

Lake Erie Connector Project – The supervisors tabled consideration of transferring the variance approval to the new owners (NextEra) until such time as new agreements are in place.

R2026-006 – New Small Flow Treatment Facility (SFTF) proposed for 7581 Blood Rd. Luke Weldon moved to approve the resolution and complete paperwork.

R2026-007 – Increase the hourly rate for the **elected** auditors from \$10/hr to \$18/hr. Any increase would not take effect until an auditor’s next term following this approval. Luke Weldon moved to adopt the resolution. Jeff Eaton seconded; passed by unanimous, roll-call vote. Meredith noted that our current auditors have chosen to contribute their time and have not submitted any hours for payment.

STAFF/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Roadmaster – Working on potholes on gravel roads. Did southwest corner of the township and will soon work on the southeast corner and continue the process. Hopefully the snow is near the end. Will start brooming the roads when it rains (to keep the dust down). Summer help will return and Summer hours will begin April 6 (Mon-Thurs 6am-4:30pm).

Zoning Officer – Issued no permits for February. There was a conditional use hearing and a special exception hearing for 14160 Ridge Rd. (Killian) during the month. Both were approved.

Bicentennial Park Committee – Bill Marino submitted the 2026 list at last month’s meeting. Dave Lawrence is gathering information so we can apply for a CDBG grant for a pickleball court.

OLD BUSINESS

Shannon Miller, 12220 Main St.: Shannon presented the BOS with the same application/paperwork that she submitted previously. She asked for an update on her zoning permit. Again, Gery directed her to reach out to her attorney. She asked if there was something wrong with her application. Gery said there was and that a response had been previously sent to Atty. Rhodes. She indicated that she never got a denial for her request. A current response will be sent to Atty. Rhodes.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance (DRAFT) to Vacate ROW/road sections – Old Albion/Griffey (near 13300 Sanford Rd.). Gery provided a draft for review by the BOS for consideration at the April meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jean Ganger asked if anyone heard an extremely loud boom the night before around 5/6pm. No one had.

ADJOURN With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m..

Respectfully submitted,
Meredith L. Borstorff, Township Secretary