

**SALEM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**Special Meeting May 8, 2025**  
**9:00AM**

- ⌘ Call the meeting to order Bob Zundel, Kenneth Trumbetta, Kerry Jobe  
and Secy. Otto. Doug Regola, Township Engineer
- ⦿ Pledge of Allegiance
- ⦿ Prayer
  - ⦿ Introduction Special meeting to discuss the 2025 Road Paving Project
- ⦿ Public discussion from residents and taxpayers taken during the course of the meeting, as each item is brought up for motion
- ⦿ Announcements: No smoking during the meeting.
  - : Residents, please give your name when addressing Supervisors
  - : Please turn off all cell phones

**1. ADMINISTRATION**

- 1A. Motion made by Ken Trumbetta and seconded by Kerry Jobe to discuss the final material, installation specifications, and bid receipt and opening dates for the 2025 Road paving project.

**Vote on the motion:** Bob Zundel, Ken Trumbetta, Kerry Jobe voted for the motion.  
 Motion passed unanimously.

**Discussion:**

**Roads to be paved in 2025:**

Bob – Forbes Road proper - Hugus, Keaggy, General Street, Lomison, Kunkle, Sackett.

Doug – 9.5 is limited to 1.5". 19mm is binder. What will you use?

Bob – Forbes Road will be hot mix. Milled 3". We will use 3" of 19mm.

Doug – that will work. Doug checked and verified that you can do that. 3" would be the final thickness after compaction.

Charles Street by Slickville, 16' Wide x 647' Long, 127 Tons material. 2" rolled to 1.5" 9.5mm Rosewood from bottom of hill to the top – 2". Approximately ¼ mile. Ken – not doing all of Rosewood Road because it needs too much preparation before we can pave. We need a drain and get it dried out. The ditches are so saturated that the water is going under the road.

Bob – Midland is booked up through the first of July. No big trucks are to be on the roads for two weeks.

Rock Springs Road – we may do the entire road in-house. We will hold off on doing it for this vote. We can add on later.

**Roads to be tar & chipped in 2025:**

Doing in-house. We have our own chipper. Doesn't need advertised unless bidding out. Bob - Hillview, Boggs, Carasea, Christopher, Moring, Helen (the hill where there is millings on it), Otts, and Sauls Road. Midland will supply the oil. Delmont Boro's Church St project?? We have historically done in-house but will look into bidding it out.

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**Pug Milling:**

Bob contacted Midland regarding Pug Milling. Their version of Pug Milling is called Blue Goose. Ken – Hi Acres, Kennan, and Lions Club Road were pug milled about 10 years ago and they are holding up well. Pug mill is engineered to bend but not crack. It is more flexible. It is engineered for roads that don't have a good base. Bob – would like to pug mill Quarry from 22 to Orrs. The other side to Hannastown needs black topped.

Kerry – Expressed concerns with the type of material being used. In 2023 slickville was paved using 9.5 mm on the top. In 2024, we wanted to use 19mm but the bids didn't get approved due to confusion on the change in material. Kerry wants to understand the consistency. Is it arbitrary or is there a science behind it?

Doug – 19mm is tougher. There is nothing wrong with using 19mm. 9.5mm is better rideability because it is smoother.

Bob – we have hills in Forbes Road that is mostly hills. Bob did some research and wanted something better on those hills.

**How will the job be bid?:**

Bob – the material is by COSTARS.

Kerry:

1. We will buy the material through the COG and bid out the labor and installation.
2. We will bid it out as a project with material, labor, and installation combined. We are only getting one bidder by bidding out labor and installation only. Historically, whoever gets the COG bid for the material gets the bid for the labor and installation. Bob- we will have to pay tax on the material which we don't on the COG bid.

Bob – We still have an issue with Derry and we haven't had luck getting a hold of Rich Huddock. Derry got the bid for the virgin material – No Rap. They can only supply us with multiple loads of 8 ton or more. If we need less than that, we need to preorder. Derry said it is virgin. It has to stay hot for patching. RAP is hard to work with because it isn't hot enough. Bob asked Derry where they are pulling the lesser amounts from. He didn't get an answer. According to the state, if you pull 3 ton out and have it tested and it has RAP in it, they will be out of business.

2 consecutive weeks of advertising will be placed no less than 10 days before the bid receipt date. Award will be at the regular June 18 supervisor's meeting.

- 2A. Motion made by Kerry Jobe and seconded by Ken Trumbetta to approve the advertisement for bids for the 2025 Road Paving Project.

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**Vote on the motion:** Bob Zundel, Ken Trumbeta, Kerry Jobe voted for the motion.  
Motion passed unanimously.

**2. ADJOURNMENT**

- 2A. Motion made by Ken Trumbetta and seconded by Kerry Jobe to adjourn meeting with the next meeting being a regular meeting to be held on May 21, 2025 at 7:00 P.M. at the Salem Township Municipal Building.

**Vote on the motion:** Bob Zundel, Ken Trumbeta, Kerry Jobe voted for the motion.  
Motion passed unanimously.

**Time of adjournment: 10:04am**

Respectfully submitted,



Kelly Otto