POINT TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
REGULAR SUPERVISORS MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2026

Work Session regarding the 287(g)/ICE Agreement, started at 6PM ended at 7PM

The Point Township Board of Supervisors held their regularly scheduled meeting on the above date at the Point Township Municipal Building, 759 Ridge Road, Northumberland, PA. Present were: Chairman Clayton Rowe, Vice-Chairman Thomas Strouse, Jr., Supervisor Randall Yoxheimer, Supervisor Zachary Black and Supervisor/Roadmaster Jared Wehry. Also, present were Solicitor Richard J. Shoch, Chief Kevin Herring, Secretary/Treasurer Melissa Young and Office Assistant Amy Hoffman.

Visitors present: Bob T Sulouff; Earl & Karen Persing; Bradley Woodring; Leann Brosius; Tom Sr & Glenda Strouse; Jean Neitz; Tim Brosious; Joe & Avis Kremer; Christy & Randy Persing; Justin Foura; Jennifer Ravier; David & Lori Bogovich; Karen Carmen; Harry Apfelbaum; Robin Heintzelman; Nichole & Kenneth Young; Jim Snyder; Debra English; Ronnie Vandine; Julie Brosius; Pat Brown
Left after workshop: CL Kriner; Charles Stroup; Dave Feaster; Steven Todzia; Sally Lewis

Chairman Rowe welcomed everyone to the Supervisors meeting and all present repeated the Pledge of Allegiance. *(Draft of the minutes of the Regular Supervisors Meeting and a copy of the bills to be paid this evening on the front table of the meeting room provided for anyone interested in viewing the information, once reviewed please return to the table).*

Regular Meeting started at 7:07PM:
Public Comments on Agenda Items:
Approval of Minutes:
MOTION made by Strouse, Jr to approve the minutes of the Regular Supervisor Meeting held on September 8, 2026. Seconded by Black and passed unanimously.

REPORTS: (Old & New Business included):
Solicitor:

- *Approval of response to zoning complaint:* spoke with everyone prior to the meeting about this. We received a zoning complaint about a business in the Township. I am being vague, because she asked to remain anonymous, and giving too many details out in a public meeting would probably give that away. The Board has been appraised of it. Due to how long this business has being in existence for 30 plus years, the business would likely have a successful chance at what they call a variance by estoppel. Which comes about when a municipality knew, or should have known that it exists. This Board and prior Boards knew it existed, and there was no action taken. That gives someone who has a business like that a defense. The question is, are you willing to take any action against this business to say they are in violation of the zoning ordinance, and look to shut them down. I would anticipate the business would fight that. That would be my recommendation. If anyone on the Board would like to move forward with treating it like a violation and take action to shut that down, if you

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make a motion to do that and there is a second and we have a majority vote, then we would do it, if there is no motion, the matter has been presented to you

Rowe do we have a motion to take action on this matter? There is none.

Shoch I will notify the person who made the complaint about the decision of the Board.

- *Update to the handbook/job description/procedure handbook:* I know the Board was sent a copy of proposal for the operating procedure. What I had said was whether this was something that should go into the employee handbook and/or job description. It is more detailed than you typically see in those things. What I mentioned, and what I propose to the Board is if they have things like this, and maybe we want to start putting a operating procedure together with other things that might come up.

Rowe so you want to table it until the next meeting.

Shoch if you want to just do that generally, I think you could vote on that, with respect to this specifically policy, it was just brought to my attention this afternoon, that the existing jo description for an employee in a position that is affected by this, directly contradicts this. So you may want to have a conversation to see if you want the policy to be this, or if it needs to be modified.

Yoxheimer my suggestion would be that we have what I would call a work session, for nothing more than to do as Rick suggested, and make a comprehensive plan. Most of this I feel there is validity to, but instead of adding pieces, let's do it as a general, overall procedure

MOTION made by Yoxheimer to table the operating procedure. Seconded by Wehry and approved unanimously.

- *Advertisement of the Code Adoption:* our code book is finally together. We have an ordinance that needs to be passed in order to adopt this.

Yoxheimer when did we start this process

Shoch years and years (**Yoxheimer** 15 years)

MOTION made by Yoxheimer to approve the advisement of the Code Adoption. Seconded by Wehry and passed unanimously.

Secretary: *(Financial Reports on File)*

- *Approve the purchase of microphones for meetings:* there was conversation about waiting until next year budget to out that in, since that is coming up soon. It was estimated to cost a little over $2,000
- *Approve switching all eligible bank accounts to interest bearing:*

MOTION made by Black to approve the switching of all eligible bank accounts to interest bearing accounts. Seconded by Yoxheimer and passed unanimously.

- *Signing of contract with bank, Central Penn changes, ach fees:* we have had this contract for a couple of months, so we have to sign that contract.

MOTION made by Black to approve signing the contract with Central Penn Bank and selecting the 3 payroll batches a month for $35. Seconded by Yoxheimer and passed unanimously.

Police Department: *(Report on File)*

- *Participation in the 287(g)/ICE program:*

Rowe is there any discussion from the Board

Yoxheimer yes, I have a couple questions. Do have a general cost for the training that will be mandatory with this.

Herring the total cost of 40 hours of training for 6 officers would be about $9,000

Yoxheimer my next question is, during this required training, at what level of training will you feel comfortable having the officer in the field? My whole concern with this 287 program, is the liability to the Township. I fully have confidence in our police force. The thing that scares me is that we

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don't know who from ICE may be coming into this Township. From what I understand from that document, that our officers would be subjugated under their authority. Is that correct?
Herring while they are performing ICE duties, yes.
Yoxheimer so once we enter into this agreement we have committed ourselves to follow whatever directions they have, correct?
Herring only in regards to the detainees.
Yoxheimer what if they are running some time of activity, raid or whatever you want to call it. Under who's authority does that raid get conducted.
Herring it's in coordination with them.
Yoxheimer yeah, but I think the agreement says……
Herring that goes back to that 48 hour withdraw period. If they are doing something that I don't agree with, I can write them a letter, or the Board can, and in 48 hours, we are done. There is nothing binding us that we must participate.
Wehry and that's at any tie during the life of this agreement.
Herring yes. We can sign today, and withdraw tomorrow.
Yoxheimer what if they come in and someone from ICE does something that you can see would be a violation of someone's civil rights, or something like that. Can we assume that one of our officers has received enough training so they would know what they should or should not do.
Herring we still have a duty to intervene within our policies; we would have a duty to stop that officer.
Yoxheimer that's under our Township (**Herring** correct) is not under the 287 program, correct? Herring the duty to intervene?
Yoxheimer well, what I am referring to, is one we have agreed to this document, and Clay ends up signing it we tied ourselves, from what I can understand to whatever ICE wants us to do.
Herring correct.
Yoxheimer I guess my question is, in real time, who do our officers listen to?
Herring they would follow the chain of command, they would go to the Sergeant, the Sergeant would come to me, and I would be the one dealing with ICE directly then.
Yoxheimer what do they do on a call in the moment when the Sergeant and Chief are not there. My concern is the liability to the Township. My understanding is, that if someone's rights are violated, yes, our insurance will cover our defense, but if some court somewhere finds that we have been negligent or impinged on someone's civil rights, they are not going to cover the cost of whatever the suit is against Point Township.
Herring that is also cover in our PA law for protecting ourselves from everybody's civil rights. We have yearly training for that.
Yoxheimer the training is one thing, the suit that is filed and judged, at that point you have been sued. If they find that we have impinged on someone's civil rights, that is not covered under our insurance. Only the defense of the case, not the penalties of the case. Is that correct Rick?
Shoch it can cover that, there are times when insurance company will issue what is called reservation of rights letter. That letter says, we will provide a defense to you at no cost, or you may have to pay your copay/deductible. If they find that someone knowingly broke the law, they aren't going to cover it.
Yoxheimer suppose you send an officer out that has had 10 hours of training,
Herring he wouldn't have only 10 hours, they wouldn't be eligible to be an officer in the task force until they have had their 40 hours of training. The local tie to this is the biggest benefit for me.
Rowe Ron, do you think that would increase our premiums by signing on?
Vandine no, I think you better listen to the Chief.

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MOTION made by Black to approve the participation in the 287(g)/ICE program. Seconded by Wehry and passed with a vote of four (4), one (1) opposed – *Yoxheimer*.

- *Update on the award of the LSA grant:* received a call from Stender and Culver letting me know we were awarded $132,323, for the purchase of 2 new patrol cars.
- *Approve $636 for the 2 patrol cars that LSA won't cover:* I applied last November, and it was awarded this September and with the rising costs of things, there is an additional cost of $636.72 that Is not covered through the grant amount.

MOTION made by Yoxheimer to approve the $636.72 for the two patrol cars, that the LSA grant didn't cover. Seconded by Wehry and passed unanimously.

Fire Department: *(Report on File from Point Twp Fire Co.)*
Fire Police: *(No Report)*
EMA: *(No Report)*
Engineer: *(No Report)*
Road Department: *(Report on File)*

- *Update on 757 Hookies Grove driveway:* Todd, Randy, myself and the homeowner, Mike Egan met at his driveway and discussed the drainage issues we are having. We talked about a few different options, and I think came up with a solution. The Township will create a French mattress, if you will, that will collect the water coming off the driveway, and keeping it off of the road, and keeping it in the ditch line. The homeowner will be doing some drainage work as well further up his driveway to help install some drainage. Basically, what the French mattress will be, we will excavate roughly a 40 by 100 foot area, and about 2 feet deep, and install ashto #1 rock which is a ballast type rock, about 4 inch diameter, then we will put 2B on top of that to create a drivable surface for the driveway. That should have the capacity to handle all that water coming down.
  Strouse, Jr. how much is that going to cost.
  Wehry the estimate cost for this is right around $13,000. That is the cost of the stone.
  Strouse, Jr. and we are the ones that have to pay for it.
  Wehry that's up for discussion. That's the cost of us doing it.
  Yoxheimer the thing you have to consider, is we don't do this and the water washes away the road, or percolates down, and in the winter it just blows the road out.
  Strouse, Jr I realize that, bur this was a driveway that was never permitted.
  Wehry I can't find record of it. But it's been there for how many years now.
  Rowe how many years do you think it's been.
  Wehry not 10, but at least 5 or 6.
  Strouse, Jr that's a lot that the Township has to pay for an individual driveway.
  Yoxheimer but does it benefit just the homeowner, or the Township for saving the road. Is there anyway Jared, that we could cut the width down? Its going to be 100 feet roughly, because that's the frontage there.
  Wehry his driveway isn't 100 feet, we are going a little above to try and catch some of that.
  Rowe do you have the money in your budget for this?
  Wehry we have it in our construction line. The stone would be eligible for state and can be paid for out of liquid fuels monies. But I would probably be looking to pull that out of the construction budget.
  Strouse, Jr. are you looking to get this done before winter?
  Wehry that's what I was hoping, before that water gets down underneath the road. My road construction budget has roughly $45,000.
  Strouse, Jr. would they be willing to pay for any of it?

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Wehry I can ask him,
Yoxheimer what other alternative do we have. Tommy you do a lot of drainage work on your property, maybe you want to take a look at it.
Strouse, Sr. but we have to pay for ours.
(Discussion ensued)

MOTION made by Black to allow the Roadmaster to do work on the driveway at 757 Hookies Grove Road. Seconded by Yoxheimer and passed with a vote of four (4), one (1) opposed – *Strouse, Jr.*

- *Pipe replacement on Neitz Road:* I stopped in talk to the resident, they were not home. I left my card, that was about a week ago, I have not heard anything. I will probably be going out here again this week.
  Strouse, Jr. is that Vaders
  Wehry yes. They have a ring camera; I left a message on that. I left a letter there and my card and asked them to contact me, but I had not heard anything. I did meet with a tree company to remove the tree that is in that ditch line, and I spoke with Bettleyon about removing that tree, and he said he was fine with that, and fine with running our drainage.
  Strouse, Jr. why do we need a tree company?
  Wehry it's hanging over power lines. If it wasn't over power lines, we would cut it. Its only a small tree, but everything is hanging toward the lines. The quote I got was $1,700 to remove it, completely gone, down to the stump. We will take the stump out since we will be in there digging anyway.
  Yoxheimer can you get them to just top it below the level of the power lines.
  Rowe is the tree company local?
  Wehry I contacted Thunder Ridge because we have worked with them before. I'll reach out to Thunder Ridge and ask what that would cost.
  R. Persing why don't you call PPL and tell them it is endangering the power lines.
  Wehry that won't work, we have tried in other areas. Until they fall down and take their lines with it, they don't care.
- *LSA Resolution for new dump truck:* I got a price to replace the F550 dump truck, I have a resolution for the LSA grant. I will be asking for $139,814.70. I have been working with Justin Skavery at County on this, and does it for free.
  Strouse, Jr. what size truck is that.
  Wehry not an F550, it's a F600. It's a 2027 Ford F600 with a Godzilla motor in it, 4 wheel drive, regular cab, dump box, plow, spreader. There is a $100 fee to apply.

MOTION made by Yoxheimer to approve the $100 fee for the LSA grant submission. Seconded by Black passed unanimously

- *Chevy replacement costs: 3 quotes:* I got 3 quotes. I reached out to Bradco, Sunbury Motor's and per Tom's suggestion, New Holland as well. The cost for a 2027 F350, 4 wheel drive with an 8 foot bed, single rear wheel, from Sunbury Motors - $58,550; Bradco - $58,640; New Holland - $56,603. These are all costar prices.
  Yoxheimer if they are all costars, how can one under cut the other.
  Wehry New Hollands municipal discount was $7,500. My plan if we move forward with this purchase of where the cost comes from, I would be looking to use $20,000 from the state account; $20,000 from the road account and $16,000, or the rest from capital. The truck will be due for inspection in January, and we will need to repair back wheel well, it is starting to rust out pretty bad again. This year it has been in the shop for a few things. It has 111,000 miles on it, it's a 2012
  Rowe we would sell the old one, right?
  Wehry yes, I would put that on Municibid.

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Strouse, Jr. what else would we need with that truck then, a plow, or what.
Wehry through Bradco I had it spec'd with a plow, this is just the truck, so we would still need to put a plow on it. We aren't putting a spreader on anything like this. I would at least need to put a plow on it.
Black what is the condition of the plow on the truck you have now?
Rowe/Strouse, Jr it's probably a different mount.
Wehry which we could probably do, the plow we have now is fine. If you sell a truck with a plow on it, you might get more for it.
Strouse, Jr no, they don't care for the plow on it or not.
E. Persing you knew this truck was going to go, right? Was it in last year's budget?
Wehry we didn't necessarily budget for it, we have been talking about it, for at least a couple of years.
E. Persing why wasn't it in the budget. Then you wouldn't even have to be worried about this, you knew it was coming and the money would have already been there.
Yoxheimer we had had some conversation about if we wanted to replace it, what we wanted to replace it with.
E. Persing are you not taking some money that could be used for the roads? I know you need equipment, but you're not budgeting right, in my opinion. If you know these things are coming, why aren't we putting them in the budget.
Wehry that is what I am trying to get us to with these trucks, our newest truck is a 2019. In the next two years, that truck should probably on a cycle to be gone, and purchase a new one. We weren't on that schedule previously, I am trying to get us on that schedule.
E. Persing seems like the last couple of years there has been a ton of money going into equipment. You probably need it, but to me it is taking away from the roads.
(Discussion ensued)
Yoxheimer there was some conversation of putting a utility box on it, and that accelerated the cost quite a bit, I think he scaled back from that, but just so they can have a pickup truck to do the small work.
Wehry we have money in our road, state and capital accounts, so the money is there. We don't want to take all of the money from 1 account.
E. Persing so none of that money that you are taking out, could have gone for the roads?
Wehry the state and capital money, yes could be used for roads. 20% of state money can be allocated for equipment.
Strouse, Jr. did you say the one from Bradco had a plow with it?
Wehry I don't think any of them actually had a plow. They all have the snow prep package, so they are prepared for it. But I don't believe they did.

MOTION made by Yoxheimer to allow the Roadmaster to purchase the truck from New Holland. Seconded by Black and passed unanimously.

Shoch before you go on, Amy said that the Board approved the $100 fee for the LSA Grant, but not the Resolution.
MOTION made by Black to approve Resolution 2026-14 for the LSA grant for a new dump truck. Seconded by Yoxheimer and passed unanimously.

- *2019 F550 repair estimate:* last meeting I mentioned some electric issues with this, I took it to Sunbury Motors. It needs a new clock spring and a new glow plug. Total about $1,240.50

MOTION made by Strouse, Jr to approve the repairs for the 2019 F550 at Sunbury Ford. Seconded by Black and passed unanimously.

- *Paving Blue Hill within PennDOT ROW 50/50 split with Sewer:* Sent an email back the end of September. The work that was done was in PennDOT's right of way. The plan was to FDR that when all the work was done, however, in the process of looking for funding, we found some from the state.
  Yoxheimer we have pretty good reason to believe we are going to get funded for.
  Wehry which I think would cover almost the entire cost. We would like to get this job bid out December or early January. PennDOT is not going to let us keep the road the way it is, us, UGI and American Water need to pay to close that up for the summer. So that section of Blue Hill would be done, and the grant money would be from where that ends up around the development. Estimate I was given was $15,000, and my thought was that we would split that with the Sewer Authority.

MOTION made by Black to approve the payment of our half of the Blue Hill project around $7,500. Seconded by Strouse, Jr. and passed unanimously.

- *Purchase of new pole saw/tire replacement:* our pole saw was old. Pricing was right around $640.
  Strouse, Jr did you look into the combination units?
  Wehry we will need a weed whacker at some point as well. The combination systems you cant quite get as far of a reach, as you can with just a pole saw.
  Strouse, Jr. if your man enough to handle it, you can make them as long as you want to, you keep putting 3 foot pieces on it. A pole saw is nicer, I will give you that.
  Black do we know how that fell out of the back of the truck?
  Wehry when you are coming out Ridge, heading to the Township, right by Stone School Rd. That tree that tractor trailers have hit numerous times.
  Strouse, Jr. that tree needs to come down.
  Wehry I am assuming it will at some point.
  Strouse, Jr. maybe you should take Stender and show him when he is here tomorrow. That is the best way to get any reaction out of PennDOT is through Lynda or Stender.
  Wehry it was sticking out of the back of the truck and got caught on that limb.

MOTION made by Strouse, Jr to approve purchase of pole saw for $640. Seconded by Yoxheimer and passed unanimously.

Wehry when the pole saw fell out of the back of the truck, it got ran over. By the time the guys turned around to get it, it had already been run over. They spoke with the guy driving, the car seemed fine, looked like no damage to the vehicle, he drove away. The next day I received a phone call, from the mother of the person who ran it over, stating that they had 2 flat tires the next morning.
Rowe I had Amy call Steve Shannon. Amy, do you want to talk about what you found out.
Hoffman they said it was 1 tire that was flat when it came in. The total she had give me of $836, was for 4 new tires. They ran over the pole saw Monday, and they didn't call us until Wednesday.
Shoch Amy had asked me about it, and my recommendation is that you pay for the tire that is blown. If you only want to offer that, or if you want to offer to pay for 2. I can put a waiver together that they would give up any other further claim.
MOTION made by Strouse, Jr. to pay for 1 tire, and have the owner of the car sign a waiver they won't come after us for more. Seconded by Wehry and passed unanimously.

- *Supplemental Signs for Cannery and Stop sign for 16th St.:* I was asked by a resident about the possibility of installing 2 supplemental signs, on the stop signs at Cannery and 16th Streets. If you are coming down Cannery, by Priestley, the traffic coming up Cannery on the left does not have to stop. I have witnessed it on numerous occasions, people think they can still go to 16th Street who are stopped at the stop sign when the people are trying to make the left to 16th street that are coming up

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Cannery. The signs you can get for this, is traffic from left does not stop, and if your on 16th Street, it was say traffic from the right does not stop.

Strouse, Jr. I think that is a good idea, I have seen that happen too.

Herring with the school district realigning the grades at the school and having people from out of this area, I think that is a good idea. The total cost of the signs is $86.52

MOTION made by Yoxheimer to approve the additional signage for who has right of way at the stop signs on Cannery and 16th Streets. Seconded by Strouse, Jr and passed unanimously.

Sewage Enforcement Officer: *(No Report)*

- *Appoint 3 members to the Appeals Board:*

Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer: *(Report on File)*

- *Appoint 2 alternates to Zoning Hearing:*

Planning Commission: *(No Report)*

Recreation: *(No Report)*

Sewer Authority: *(No Report)*

Yoxheimer looking to get some preliminary things done for Lahrs Road. It will cost us just $200,000 for engineer work for this. Looking to get what grants we can for this. We are trying to get PennDOT to put their service facility in where the concrete plant is right now. If they do that, they will run a sewer line down to somewhere on Ridge Road, and then pump into system that will go down Lahrs Road. They seem very adamant that is where it will go.

Other Business:

- *Part-time CDL Driver to help with inclement weather:* we thought since Jared had in mind someone for last year, it may be good to have someone lined up in case with doing Sewer work, they need someone.

MOTION made by Yoxheimer to approve to look for a part-time CDL driver on an as needed basis. Seconded by Wehry and passed unanimously.

General Public Comments/Resident Concerns:

Brown concerns with neighbor and a pool that hasn't been used for years.

Pay Bills:

MOTION made by Black to pay bills. Seconded by Strouse, Jr and passed unanimously.

Adjournment:

MOTION made by Black to adjourn. Seconded by Strouse, Jr and passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:36PM.
All motions passed by hand vote.

Respectfully submitted,

List of Communications: *(On File)*

Amy Hoffman, Office Assistant

Financial Reports: *(On File)*

Melissa Young, Secretary/Treasurer

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