

UNION TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

August 5, 2025

MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Union Township Supervisors was held at the Union Township Building located at 125 Sycamore Lane, Julian, Pennsylvania and was called to order by Chair Nick Taylor at 7:00 PM. Attendees included Nick Taylor, Tammy Hanscom, Michael MacNamara, Renee Swancer, Secretary/Treasurer, Solicitor Jeff Stover. Also attending (please see attached attendance sheet).

PUBLIC COMMENT

PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

MINUTES

The minutes of July 8, July 15, July 28, 2025, meetings were presented for approval. Ms. Hanscom made a motion to accept the minutes, as corrected. Mr. MacNamara seconded the motion. Motion carried.

VOTE: Mr. MacNamara – yes Mr. Taylor – yes Ms. Hanscom – yes

FIRE COMPANY.

Many visitors were present at the meeting, including local newspapers and channel 6 regarding the opting out of Union Township of the Intergovernmental Fire Agreement. A public service announcement was sent out by the fire company on social media that the Township opted out of the agreement causing confusion among those attending. Mr. Taylor explained to the attendees a special meeting was held on July 15th, 2025, with all parties of the intergovernmental fire agreement. At this meeting, the parties agreed to extend the opt-out agreement to August 31, 2025. This consensus also was to rewrite the agreement from a 10-year contract to a 5-year contract. Since no agenda was available at the meeting on July 15th no vote could take place among the parties attending. The Union Township Supervisors were already having a special meeting on July 28, 2025, to discuss the agreement the Board was going to vote on at this meeting. At the July 28th meeting, the Township did not hear from any other parties and did not know what the other parties were doing. The supervisors made the motion to opt out pending further discussion as to what was agreed upon at the July 15th meeting. The vote was 2 to 1. The vote included hoping to be renegotiated the existing agreement to a 5-year contract before December 31, 2025, and be included back into the agreement. Unionville Borough supports Union Township being part of the agreement. Several attendees expressed were very concerned about coverage. It was explained that fire coverage still exists and was not terminated. Most attendees listened to understand what was happening. Several attendees asked if the website could include all minute's pertaining to the fire company discussions. Jerrie Grieb was very concerned about not having an agreement with Milesburg and having no fire protection and wants assurances as to what is going to happen. She is concerned it will take too long for Port Matilda to get to her home. Ms. Regina Bowers says everyone needs to be in an agreement and work together. Having items placed on social media must stop. At the end of the discussion, Mr. Stover stated the agreement was rewritten to change the term change from 10-year contract to a 5- year contract and Mr. Stover will forward to all parties for consideration, as discussed at the July 15th meeting. The Board would have voted on the agreement that night, but Ms. Hanscom, unable to review the agreement prior to the meeting, asked to review the agreement and provide her comments by the end of the week.

FINANCIAL

July 2025 Treasurer's Reports and Payables. Ms. Hanscom asked about the transfer of the Marcellus shale funds to the general fund and the Cleveland Brothers check. She also asked for the 2025 allocation for EMS to be provided for the next meeting. Mr. Taylor made a motion to provide a check to Bellefonte EMS for \$14,000. Ms. Hanscom seconded the motion. Motion carried.

VOTE: Mr. MacNamara – yes Mr. Taylor – yes Ms. Hanscom – yes

Ms. Hanscom made a motion to approve the July 2025 Treasurer's Reports (*Expenditures, Profit Loss & Bank Statements*) and July 2025 payables. Mr. MacNamara seconded the motion. Motion carried.

VOTE: Mr. MacNamara – yes Mr. Taylor – yes Ms. Hanscom – yes

MONTHLY REPORTS

- Fire company oversight committee. Ms. Hanscom reported 17 calls from last month. Fireman's Relief Audit is underway. Fire Company is supporting Wreaths Across America. Concrete work is completed on the tanker bay. She also said the total funds for the financial reporting are just about \$604,000.
- Mid Centre Authority. Mr. MacNamara noted the reports have been transmitted.
- Building Code Agency Reports. The report was acknowledged.
- Roads – Mr. Taylor reported the crew has been mowing. It was briefly discussed about oiling Ammerman Road. It was noted the price is still good.

NEW BUSINESS

Fire Company Agreement. Previously discussed.

Centre County Hazard Mitigation Plan Adoption. Ms. Hanscom made a motion to table the item till the next meeting. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

VOTE: Mr. MacNamara – yes Mr. Taylor – yes Ms. Hanscom – yes

CDs. It was agreed by the Board to transfer from the general fund two CDs, each \$50,000, one for 5 months and one for 7 months respectfully. Mr. Taylor made a motion to obtain the two CDs as previously discussed. Ms. Hanscom seconded the motion. Motion carried.

VOTE: Mr. MacNamara – yes Mr. Taylor – yes Ms. Hanscom – yes

Penns Valley BCO. Mr. Taylor made a motion to table this item till the next meeting. Ms. Hanscom seconded the motion. Motion carried.

VOTE: Mr. MacNamara – yes Mr. Taylor – yes Ms. Hanscom – yes

Driveway Permit. Mr. Taylor will address.

EMS Report and funding request – already addressed during the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Tar and chipping. This item will be tabled until next year.

Road Projects 2025. No discussion.

CORRESPONDENCE

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. MacNamara made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 PM. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

VOTE: Mr. MacNamara – yes Mr. Taylor – yes Ms. Hanscom – yes

Respectfully submitted by:

Renee Swancer

Secretary/Treasurer