UNION TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
February 3, 2026
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 7:30 PM. Attendees included Nick Taylor, William Bruss, Michael MacNamara, Renee Swancer, Secretary/Treasurer, Solicitor Jeff Stover. Also attending were Denny Ripka, Bill Nichols, Jason Crestani, Laura and Mike Reese, Brad Page, Tim Bruss, Tammy Hanscom and Gail Miller.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Reese asked if Union Township has a constable. No one had an answer regarding this question.

PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Dry Hydrant. Mr. Crestani discussed with the Board the dry hydrant located in the Bald Eagle Creek at the Unionville Borough park. The hydrant needs repaired and permitted through the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). There is no record of the original permit with either DEP, Conservation District or at the Borough. Uhler and Associates prepared the permit and application to DEP. The costs associated with permitting, etc. were $8,789.00. Installation costs are not included in this price. Mr. Crestani is requesting financial assistance from Union Township to help with the costs. The Board agreed to provide the backhoe operator, but no discussion was had regarding the permitting, engineering, or surveying. Mr. Crestani stressed that this hydrant was the primary source of water for the Dix Run Road barn fire. The hydrant is a secondary source for Unionville Borough. It was questioned if the fire company has a responsibility for installation of dry hydrants. Mr. Crestani said that they don't. Mr. Taylor asked how much the cost for the pipe would be. Mr. Crestani said it was about $3,000. A portion of the park was surveyed for the permit. Mr. Taylor asked if financial support should come from the fire company. Mr. MacNamara sees the value of the dry hydrant. Mr. Taylor would like to speak to the fire company before any decision is made for financial support from Union Township. Mr. MacNamara stated the permit is for a lifetime. Mr. Bruss asked about potential for grants. Tim Bruss said that if the project needs to be completed, therefore, he is in support for financially supporting the project. Mr. MacNamara would like to have a copy of the permit. Several questions were asked about the invoice. Mr. Taylor made a motion to table discussion regarding the dry hydrant at the next meeting after discussion with the fire company. Mr. MacNamara seconded the motion. Motion carried.

VOTE: Mr. MacNamara – yes Mr. Taylor – yes Mr. Bruss - yes

MINUTES

The minutes of January 5 and 20, 2026 meetings, were presented for approval. Mr. MacNamara made a motion to accept the minutes. Mr. Bruss seconded the motion. Motion carried.

VOTE: Mr. MacNamara – yes Mr. Taylor – yes Mr. Bruss – yes

FINANCIAL

January 2026 Treasurer's Reports and Payables. Mr. MacNamara made a motion to approve January 2026 Treasurer's Reports *(Expenditures, Profit Loss & Bank Statements*) and January 2026 payables. Mr. Bruss seconded the motion. Motion carried.

VOTE: Mr. MacNamara – yes Mr. Taylor – yes Mr. Bruss– yes

5-month CD. Mr. MacNamara asked if the new CD rates could be available for next meeting. Mr. MacNamara made a motion to have the termed $50,000 CD returned to the general fund and have CD rates for the next meeting. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

VOTE: Mr. MacNamara – yes Mr. Taylor – yes Mr. Bruss - yes

MONTHLY REPORTS

- Fire company oversight committee. Mr. Taylor reported Fire company was awarded a grant for $5,550 for small tools. Buying new batteries for the radios. Several firemen are taking classes. Looking for quotes for replacing the 1999 Chevrolet truck. Currently, there are 15 active members. Report was acknowledged.
- Mid Centre Authority. Mr. MacNamara noted the reports have been transmitted. $2M grant was awarded to Eagle Creek for a sewer line. Gravity pump station (3) with 4"main will need additional capacity. Act 537 Plan will

need to be updated.

- Building Code Agency Reports. No reports submitted.

•Roads – Crews have been plowing snow. Mr. Tim Bruss said the crew did good during the last storm.

Road bonding. Mr. MacNamara made a motion to release road bonding for Egypt Hollow/Bennet Drive. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

VOTE: Mr. MacNamara – yes Mr. Taylor – yes Mr. Bruss – yes

NEW BUSINESS

Penn DOT Multi-model Transportation Fund. Mr. MacNamara prepared the grant application for Unionville Pike. Total project request is for paving, shoulder repair, and stone shoulders. Project cost is $568,640. Minimum matches are 30% or $170,592 of project cost. The grant is awarded in December 2026. There is a $100.00 application fee. Mr. Taylor made a motion to apply for the grant and pay for the $100.00 application fee. Mr. Bruss seconded the motion. Motion carried.

VOTE: Mr. MacNamara – yes Mr. Taylor – yes Mr. Bruss – yes

Dirt and Gravel application. Mr. MacNamara would like to resubmit for the Bi-Road project. Mr. MacNamara asked if Mr. Nichols was still good with the project which involves his driveway. Mr. Nichols agreed he is still good with the project. The Townships contribution towards the project is $15,000. Mr. Taylor made a motion to apply for the Dirt and Gravel project for Bi Road. Mr. Bruss seconded the motion. Motion carried.

VOTE: Mr. MacNamara – yes Mr. Taylor – yes Mr. Bruss – yes

Bid packages. Mr. MacNamara reviewed his estimates versus the Penn DOT representative's quotes and they discussed the quotes. Mr. MacNamara is to contact Matt Kenepp for bids for bid opening at next meeting. Mr. Taylor made a motion to put the paving bids into two packages, and Ammerman by itself, and all the tar and chip as one package. Mr. Bruss seconded the motion. Motion carried.

VOTE: Mr. MacNamara – yes Mr. Taylor – yes Mr. Bruss - yes

Bradco Supply for boom mowing. The Board asked the secretary to get pricing.

Mid Centre Authority service expansion. Mr. MacNamara said that a letter of support to expand the force main into Union Township. Mid Centre Authority will be at capacity once Eagle Creek is hooked up. Mr. Taylor made a motion to provide a letter. Mr. Bruss seconded the motion. Motion carried.
VOTE: Mr. MacNamara – yes Mr. Taylor – yes Mr. Bruss – yes

OLD BUSINESS
Fire Company Intergovernmental Agreement. Mr. Stover stated the Board previously approved the final changes to the agreement at a meeting, and that signatures are now to be placed on the document. The Board affixed its signatures.
Penn DOT Multi-model grant package. Mr. MacNamara made a motion to have the secretary sign the grant application. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.
VOTE: Mr. MacNamara – yes Mr. Taylor – yes Mr. Bruss - yes
Dry Hydrant. This item was already discussed prior in the meeting.

ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA.
CORRESPONDENCE
ADJOURNMENT
Mr. MacNamara made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 PM. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.
VOTE: Mr. MacNamara – yes Mr. Taylor – yes Mr. Bruss – yes

Respectfully submitted by:
Renee Swancer
Secretary/Treasurer