

**Morgan Township
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**MINUTES OF MORGAN TOWNSHIP
August 5, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER: At 4:00 p.m. Jeff Sholtis, Chairman, called the regular monthly meeting of the Morgan Township Supervisors to order in the municipal office building located at 1019 Third Street Extension, Mather, Greene County, Pennsylvania. The meeting opened with the pledge to the flag.

Mr. Sholtis called for a moment of silence in memory of Supervisor/Road Master Erik Mullen who passed away last month.

A motion was made by Mr. Barnhart, seconded by Mr. Sholtis to appoint David Novak to fill the position of Supervisor/Road Master to have the compensation and benefit package set by Auditors of Morgan Township at their January 2025 meeting and the motion carried with all in favor.

ROLL CALL: Supervisors Jeff Sholtis, Shirl Barnhart and David Novak were present. Also attending the meeting was George Scull (by phone,) Susan Nelson, Rochelle and Phil Zebro, Bruce Hutchinson, Glen Eddy, Cheryl Semonick, Brian Crockard, Jack Snyder, Lisa Sowden, Rebecca Harris, John Greene, Code Enforcement Officer Mark Gordon, Solicitor Dennis Makel and Secretary/Treasurer Relda Litten.

APPROVE MINUTES: A motion was made by Mr. Barnhart with a second from Mr. Sholtis to approve the minutes of July 1, 2025 meeting and the July 23, 2025 meeting and the motion carried with all in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Ms. Greene again spoke about the chickens on First Street. The Zoning Officer was sent to the wrong house. The chickens are behind 120 First Street at 219 Second Street and the owners will be notified as well. He also spoke again about the ATVs on the road. It was noted again that it is a State Police issue and to call them when he sees them on the roads. He also spoke about the high fees K2 Engineering were going to charge him to put a pool in his back yard. He also stated several people would like to attend the meetings but they are working. It was stated that the Supervisors all have cell phones and they can be contacted at any time or people can come to the shed to speak to them and not wait till a meeting.

Ms. Semonick also mentioned that side by sides are coming down her road as well. Again, it was stated that it is police issue and not a township issue.

Mr. Snyder spoke about reading the past minutes where Mr. Barnhart stated no one on Chartiers Hill has a problem with their sewage and does not want it there when it has to come past there for him to get it on Center School Road. Mr. Sholtis stated he has spoken to Mr. Dengler, the Engineer for Lower Ten Mile asking him to apply for grants for sewage. Mr. Snyder also spoke again about the Reservoir and would like the supervisors to do something with it. He also mentioned that the tar and chip that is being done on the roads now is one of the best jobs he has ever seen.

Ms. Zebro asked about the status of 126 First Street and stated House 124 is just as bad. Mr. Gordon stated there is a warrant out for the resident of 126. And he stated that the owner of 124 First Street has filed an appeal on his guilty verdict.

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Mr. Scull asked about the status of the lawsuit against EQT. Mr. Makel stated it is in the process of being resolved and in litigation and can not be discussed any further.

REPORTS: Roadmaster: Mr. Sholtis gave his report for the month: Culvert pipes have been replaced, the roads have been prepped for oil and chip, boom and side mowing is taking place, trees have been cut, equipment has been worked on and maintained. Also berms have been cleared, grass has been cut in Mather and Teagarden Homes and one day was spent on working with Cumberland Township on their roads. And a whole truck load of junk was gathered up from Bacon Run Road where someone had dumped.

LEGAL: Mr. Makel stated for the first time in his career a District Justice levied jail time for an ordinance violation. Mr. Williams of Teagarden Homes was the person.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER: Mr. Gordon stated the he requested the court to assign jail time to Mr. Williams based on the condition of his home and his ongoing defiance on the matter of refusing to clean it up. He has also sent out three citations, had eight complaints and sent out nine violation notices.

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND LOT SPLITS: A motion was made by Mr. Barnhart, seconded by Mr. Novak to advertise for adoption next month the Ordinance to Increase Compensation for newly elected supervisors and the motion carried with all in favor.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Mr. Crockard spoke about various cameras and security systems the township is interested in. A meeting will be held next week with the supervisors and secretary to go over the options.

NEW BUSINESS: None

BILLS AND PAYROLL: A motion was made by Mr. Barnhart and seconded by Mr. Novak to pay all the payrolls and bills for the month of August and the motion carried with all in favor.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

Mr. Sholtis asked for public comments again and stated there is a dumpster here at the township for large items such as furniture, but not for household waste.

ADJOURNMENT: Being no further business, the meeting was continued at the call of the chair at 4:36 p.m.

Relda K. Litten, Secretary/Treasurer