

CLEARFIELD TOWNSHIP
Regular Meeting
August 11, 2025
7:00 p.m.

Henry McNutt, Don Reed, Tyler Kovach, Aaron Raible, myself and 9 signed in guests including solicitor Andrew Menchyk and Gateway engineer, Kevin Nadlin were in attendance.

Township audio recorded this meeting.

Old Business:

The minutes from the July meeting were read. Tyler made a motion to approve the minutes. Don seconded. Carried.

New Business:

The treasurer's report was read. On 08/11/2025, General Fund \$82,767.26. Deposits \$180,685.20 (inc \$150,571.00 DCED bridge grant. Disbursed \$36,366.92. Ending \$227,085.54. State Fund \$441,770.11. Deposits \$18.10. Disbursed \$155,668.31. Ending \$275,119.90. Sewage Fund \$12,869.73. Deposits \$1,265.55. Disbursed \$900.00. Ending \$13,235.28. Capital Reserve Fund \$398,266.53. Deposits \$33.83. Disbursed \$.00. Ending \$398,300.36. Equipment Fund \$43,039.36. Deposits \$2,502.02. Disbursed \$.00. Ending \$45,541.38. Building Fund \$61,567.17. Deposits \$1,002.63. Disbursed \$.00. Ending \$62,569.80. Traffic Light Fund \$37,042.45. Deposits \$.94. Disbursed \$.00. Ending \$37,043.39. Don made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Tyler seconded. Carried.

Don made a motion to approve transferring from General Fund-\$2,500 to Equipment Fund, \$1,000 to Building Fund, and \$500 to Money Market. Tyler seconded. Carried.

Supervisors mentioned we sealed/paved 7.76 mile of road and thanks to Jake, we saved \$7,970 on Morrow Rd by using our 2A limestone with Youngblood.

Henry made a motion to amend the agenda with Carbon Center Road update. Tyler seconded. Carried. THG GeoPhysics can scan road one day for mine subsidence depth and width possibly in next 2 weeks in the amount of \$4,895.00. Tyler made a motion to approve this scan and cost. Don seconded. Carried.

Youngblood Paving finished Herman Rd and came in under bid by \$16,947.34. Henry made a motion to pay Youngblood invoice. Tyler seconded. Carried.

Northrock Construction was discussed. We are waiting on the maintenance bond. Don mentioned a final inspection is needed, 2 nuts missing, sawcut expansion joint needs sealed, cold end asphalt tied in. Kevin Nadlin Gateway offered to visit bridge with Don and he will follow this up. Don mentioned liquidated damages of 47 days and the state grant should know. Henry called the state and this is not an issue. The steel took 2 extra weeks to come and Don said normal practice would be the day it came in to start work. Don was down Sunday to Sunday and nothing done, they shouldn't have started it until the beams came in. Henry said they needed to do the abutments, etc in preparation. Don questioned the asphalt lasting 10 years and concrete was better. Kevin Nadlin explained the purpose of the asphalt was because of the dips. The bridge is designed to carry asphalt and there is a 10 yr waterproofing layer. Don said the 50 year-old concrete was still good. Henry told him it wasn't. Liquidated damages came up again.

Henry made a motion to enter an executive session with Attorney Andrew Menchyk. Henry called the meeting back to order. Liquidated damages would cost \$50-\$60,000 in attorney fees for damages of \$25-\$30,000, if proven. Costly and hard to win these cases. Tyler made a motion to pay Northrock \$172,545.30. Don seconded. Carried.

Tyler made a motion to pay Northrock Construction final invoice of est \$35,000 subject to receiving Gateway approval, maintenance bond, place missing nuts, and sealing sawcut on asphalt. Don seconded. Carried.

Building Project is rescheduled for within 2 weeks with Tyler Kovach as the 'Point of Contact'.

PennDOT has scheduled 422 sealing project beginning Aug 8-Sept 12 and will be single lane from Mushroom Farm Road to Portman Road. Work may be at night.

Cintas rugs offered a lower cost of \$27.60 for rugs. Supervisors revisited this and agreed to not accept new offer and end our contract.

Tyler made a motion to adopt Resolution #25-08-01 Real Estate Tax Millage Rate. This increases the township tax millage rate from 2.45 to 3.50, generating \$19,599.51 in annual revenue. Don seconded. Carried.

Planning Commission: Luminous Keystone Renewable representative was not present. Mr. Peter O'Brien attended the Planning Commission meeting asking for a variance to the Solar Energy Ordinance of the required 100 acres to 97 acres and a few others on the Green property, McLafferty Road. Planning Commission recommended variance to the supervisors. Mr. O'Brien was to submit in writing the variances and the differences in ordinance with Butler County. Phil informed the location can't be seen, possible chain link fence change, sheep kept on site to clean, 3 outside strand of wire-2 hot to keep deer and coyote out, driveway is little shy of 25'-R/W is 30'. Supervisors agreed to table this until more information is present.

Henry asked Mr. Menchyk, attorney, if we were to approve a variance, do we need to worry about future variances. Mr. Menchyk informed us no need to worry, each case is different.

Building and Sewage Permits: No comments.

The meeting was opened to the public.

With no further business, Don made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tyler seconded. Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully,

Jane Bauldoff
Secretary