

CLEARFIELD TOWNSHIP  
Regular Meeting  
February 9, 2026  
7:00 p.m.

Don Reed, Dave Zanicky, Tyler Kovach, Aaron Raible, Jane Bauldoff and 15 signed in guests were in attendance.

No audio or video recorded meeting.

Open to the Public: No Comment

Old Business:

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

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

Carbon Center Road update was given by Tyler. Work was completed in January with the exception of final paving which will occur in Spring of 2026. DEP covered the stone costs but the Township had to pay for GeoPhysics, PA Drilling, RaeLyn road closure expenses and excavation. Total cost of project was \$18,620.00. Don explained that it wasn't as bad as he expected initially once he saw the excavation and wanted the approach areas paved on both sides of the patch to help with ride quality of final product.

New Business:

The treasurer's report was read. On 02/09/2026, General Fund \$75,380.09. Deposits \$30,735.13. Disbursed \$48,662.11. Ending \$57,453.11. State Fund \$131,518.47. Deposits \$5.50. Disbursed \$12,983.51. Ending \$118,540.46. Sewage Fund \$12,885.45. Deposits \$800.56. Disbursed \$3,475.00. Ending \$10,211.01. Capital Reserve Fund \$385,971.90. Deposits \$32.78 Disbursed \$64,925.00. Ending \$381,079.68. Equipment Fund \$58,052.29. Deposits \$2,502.54. Disbursed \$.00. Ending \$60,554.83. Building Fund \$66,801.01. Deposits \$1,002.87. Disbursed \$.00. Ending \$67,803.88. Traffic Light Fund \$37,050.03. Deposits \$.94. Disbursed \$.00. Ending \$37,050.97.

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.

Don discussed the notice from Armstrong Cable that we received of a rate increase for the upcoming year. Notice should also be mailed to all customers.

Don explained that the Emergency Disaster Declaration for the January 30/31 major statewide snow event did not meet the statewide threshold and we would not be receiving any sort of reimbursement.

Dave explained the notice we received from Butler 911 explaining the new Regroup Program replacing the CodeRED program that residents could sign up for to assist with quick notifications of large-scale emergency events in the area.

Tyler gave an update on the building roof leak. He talked to Blair Construction and they will be coming back when the roof thaws to make repairs.

Don explained that we were notified by Central Electric COOP that they will be doing spraying under the lines this season using Garlon 3 Herbicide.

Don gave an update on CoStars contracted salt deliveries. There is salt coming in on barges, but has saw delays due to ice on the rivers. Jake Snyder mentioned we are currently ok with salt quantity.

CoStars salt quantity for the 2026/'27 winter season was discussed. Roadcrews said they felt 350 Ton was sufficient, like previous years. Don made a motion to submit into CoStars for bids. Tyler seconded. Carried.

Supervisors reviewed the bids for the tractor/mower that the Township received a DCED LSA grant for \$162,290.00. This does not require a bid or legal add due to CoStars contract. Don made a motion to proceed through Stephenson Equipment. Total price will be \$165,457.43. The Township will only be responsible for \$3,167.43 due to the grant covering the rest. Don made a motion to approve to proceed. Dave seconded. Carried.

Don notified everyone that we received a \$500,000 DCED Multi Modal grant for drainage repairs, upgrades and new installs on Clearfield Road(s). This grant

was written by Jake, Jane and Aaron which saved the Township approximately \$500,000 that now can be used elsewhere. This work will take place in the 2026 construction season and is Phase 1 of 3. Phase 2 and 3 will need resubmitted for when the grant applications reopen again.

Resolution 26-02-01 was discussed. Don discussed that this resolution was to get all township fees into one resolution amending individual resolutions or ordinances. Brenda Zangas asked for some examples regarding examples of these fees, Don explained. Brenda also asked about the status of enforcement of ordinances. Don stated that the cost for an enforcement officer would be a large fee for the Township and the police enforcement was no longer being discussed at this time. Dave Marshall asked about driveway permits and how the Township was handling driveway upgrades. Roadcrew and supervisors noted that we do have PennDOT verbiage to fall back onto along with our own driveway ordinance that prevents landowners from deliberately discharging water onto the roadway or altering the driveway at the road to cause snowplow damages. Planning Commission was asked to re-review driveway section of the SALDO upgrades that are being worked on for future review. Don made a motion to approve Resolution 26-02-01. Tyler seconded. Carried.

2026 spring road check was discussed. Supervisors and road crews plan to do this April 8<sup>th</sup> at 8am, weather permitting. Report will be given at the April meeting.

Don made mention that he noticed a pothole had formed in the recently redone section of Herman Road at the county line. Roadcrews have repaired this and Don made mention that with discussions during the project, no vendor warranty was on the type of roadway reconstruction done on Herman Road.

Wages were discussed. Dave made a motion to increase roadcrews by \$1 per hour. Secretary/Treasurer to increase by \$130.42. Assistant Secretary to increase by \$1.00. New hires to stay the same. New rates are retroactive to January 1, 2026. Tyler seconded. Carried.

Health insurance was discussed. Tyler gave update after speaking to broker and recommended that a meeting be held to possibly change brokers. Township could see a significant cost savings with the same or better coverage plans. Don made a motion to review and possibly change brokers. Dave seconded. Carried.

Don gave update on the employee handbook proposed changes. This included renaming the "1<sup>st</sup> day of buck" to "1<sup>st</sup> Monday of Buck" to align with new seasons. This also includes overtime pay and holiday pay adjustments that were discussed and brought in line with other municipalities and private sector. New holiday and overtime adjustments are retractive to January 1, 2026. Don made a motion to approve the proposed changes. Dave seconded. Carried.

Game Reserve Road & Old 422 intersection was discussed. Mike Bergbigler, Brenda Zangas stated there have been an increase in major accidents at this intersection. They asked the township if this could become a 4 way stop condition with additional advanced warning. Supervisors gave an update that the Township had already reached out to PennDOT for some preliminary information and a study would need conducted. Dave made a motion to submit a request for a study to PennDOT of this intersection. Tyler seconded. Carried.

ATV's on roadways were discussed. Don explained what other municipalities were doing and Jane had pulled their ordinances for supervisor review. Dave Marshall asked what the benefit was to allowing them and was this in the best interest of the community along with concerns over liability. It was discussed that during reviews and according to PennDOT there is not township liability. Dave explained that this solely wasn't about money and this is already happening without ensuring folks have insurance, lights or registration which would be required if this was proceeded with. Required signage was discussed and will need to be reviewed further for what is required. Denny McGlaughlin asked who will enforce it and can we restrict hours of operation. Don made a motion to table this to give the Township more time to review other municipalities ordinances and for further discussions. Tyler seconded. Carried.

Planning Commission:

Mike Bergbigler subdivision was reviewed. Planning Commission recommended changes were made. Dave made a motion to approve subdivision pending DEP Sewage Module Approval. Tyler seconded carried.

Mike Bergbigler Sewage module was reviewed. Dave made a motion to approve. Tyler seconded. Carried.

Zangas subdivision was reviewed. Planning Commission recommended changes were made. DEP has approved sewage module. Driveway to 2<sup>nd</sup> lot was originally not approved for legal driveway but due to an existing driveway that will be used as access to Lot#3 for future use and is annotated on drawings. Don made a motion to approve. Tyler seconded. Carried.

SALDO is still being worked on from Solicitor Menchyk's review comments. Aaron is working on it and hoping to have routed to Planning Commission and Supervisor review this month. Brenda Zangas asked when it would be out for public review. Explained that it would route for public review after supervisor and planning commission initial review.

Building and Sewage Permits:

Supervisors reviewed the George Floyd at 402 McGrady Hollow Road concern in December. The pavilion is on George Floyd's property but within the setback distance and would need moved. The Township gave Mr. Floyd a variance request form and he was going to discuss with the neighbor. There has been no input from either landowner since the November meeting on status of the variance. Don made a motion to permanently table until further notice. Dave seconded. Carried.

Open Comment:  
None

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully,

Jane Bauldoff  
Secretary