

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING
July 8, 2026**

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Present were Vice Chairman Tolino, Supervisor Huratiak, Secretary/Treasurer Cifuentes, Solicitor Santee, Engineer Matt Evans of Keystone Consulting Engineers, Zoning Officer Howard Beers, and Police Chief Krome. There were 4 attendees.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recited

APPROVAL OF BILLS: The Board reviewed the bills.

Chairman Smith moved to approve the General Fund bills in the amount of \$140,834.97. Supervisor Huratiak seconded.

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Chairman Smith moved to approve the Garbage Fund bills in the amount of \$82,055.56, the Recreation Fund bills in the amount of \$373.04 and the Liquid Fuels Fund Bill in the amount of \$216,913.68. Vice Chairman Tolino seconded.

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APPROVAL OF TAX CHANGES: Interim Real Estate and Additions, Garbage Additions – There were no tax changes for the month of June.

TREASURER REPORT: Sharon Cifuentes – The Treasurer Report is available to view at the township administrative office.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Robert Smith

1) Approval of the Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes of June 10, 2026

Chairman Smith moved to approve the meeting minutes of June 10, 2026. Vice Chairman Tolino seconded.

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PUBLIC COMMENT: None

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Chief James Krome

- 1) **Incident Report** – There were 282 incidents, 55 citations and 6 arrests for the month of June.
- 2) **Vehicle Mileage** – Police vehicle Mileage for the month of June was 4584. Chief Krome also stated that the Enrrad sold for \$725.00.

- 3) **LSA Grant For Radios / Resolution 14-2026 and 15-2026** – Chief Krome requested the Board adopt two resolutions for two LSA grants being applied for to purchase new radios.

Chairman Smith moved to adopt Resolution 14-2026 between Washington Township and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested Northampton/Lehigh County Local Share Account Grant. Supervisor Huratiak Seconded.

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Chairman Smith moved to adopt Resolution 15-2026 between Washington Township and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested Monroe County Local Share Account Grant. Supervisor Huratiak seconded.

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- 4) **Personnel** – Chief Krome recommended that the Board approve moving Officer Fulciniti from part time to full time, effective 7/26/2026.

Chairman Smith motioned to move Brendan Fulciniti from a Part-Time Police Officer to a Full-Time Police Officer, effective July 26, 2026. Supervisor Huratiak seconded.

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ZONING REPORT: - Howard Beers – Zoning Officer Beers

- 1) **Zoning Permit Log** – Zoning Officer Beers presented the zoning permit log to the Board.
- 2) **District Magistrate** – Zoning Officer Beers requested permission from the Board to file with District Magistrate as follows:
 - 143 Bangor Junction – for junk
 - 732 Locke Heights – for junk
 - 893 Lower South Main - for junk
 - 1420 Lower South Main – may not have to file as the trailers are being cleaned up.Addition properties were also discussed, as well as tree stumps on Nagy's Hill Rd.
- 3) **30 Beechwood** – This is scheduled to go to the District Magistrate at the end of July. Solicitor Santee announced that an executive session was held prior to the meeting regarding litigation for 30 Beechwood.
- 4) **435 Bangor Junction** – The property is in Roseto and there is a pipe that runs to Washington Township. Concrete, logs and telephone poles are being dumped in a drainage ditch. Zoning Officer Beers was contacted by the Roseto Borough Zoning Officer asking if the board would approve our engineers to speak with Roseto's engineers to determine which township the drainage ditch is in. The issue was discussed. The need is to identify where the violation occurred and what enforcement action to take. This may be a storm water issue and could cause damage to the township road. As it affects both municipalities, an agreement may be needed. Engineer Evans will speak with the Roseto Borough engineer and report back to the Board of Supervisors.

ENGINEER REPORT: Matt Evans –

In the month of June there was one item in the Planning Commission which will be discussed later in the agenda. Keystone Consulting Engineers reviewed four applications for grading plans. Engineer Evans sent a letter to the municipal PennDOT representative to ask for a roadway safety review of Five Points Richmond Rd. Meeting was scheduled with Ann Flood's office regarding the public works building on July 20, 2026. Chairman Smith will also attend.

RECREATION: Justin Huratiak – Working on setting up the agility items at the dog park. We will be putting them together and marking them out. The road crew can then dig the holes to prepare for the concrete.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS: Robert Smith

- 1) **HVAC Bid Opening** – No bids were received. Two HVAC contractors attended the pre-bid meeting.

Chairman Smith motioned to re advertise the HVAC project. Vice Chairman Tolino seconded.

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- 2) **Knights of Columbus Grant Request** – As a follow up to last month's meeting, discussion was had about the township submitting an LSA grant application on behalf of the Knights of Columbus for an AED. Zoning Officer Beers discussed another grant opportunity that may be available to them as well. The Board of Supervisors went into an executive session to discuss the legality of the matter from 7:36 PM to 7:48 PM. The Board came back to the public meeting and asked the representatives of the Knights of Columbus for more input as to what the organization does, the benefits and a commitment to assist if needed. They discussed various fund raising and charitable events in the community. Also discussed was administrative time used.

Supervisor Huratiak motioned to approve the township applying for the grant on behalf of the Knights of Columbus as a test pilot program with the understanding the organization will take on the administrative duties as much as possible. Vice Chairman Tolino seconded.

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- 3) **GGH Investment Lot Consolidation** – The planning commission gave a favorable recommendation. Both the Planning Commission and the Engineer review letter stated that the Zoning Officer's comment needed to be satisfied. There is no defined driveway on the plan. There is no permit. The stance of the Planning Commission was that this is an existing use and the applicant stated it was a continuance of an existing use. Every lot requires legal access. The driveway needs to be defined. The application stated intended use was a trucking repair shop. The Zoning Officer determined that this was not a continuation of the existing use. There is no downstairs bathroom in the original structure. The owner is also advertising rooms for rent. A land development plan should

be completed if the use is changed. If the use is changed, that would trigger an HOP permit. A zoning violation should be sent out to document the change of use including renting rooms which goes against their testimony at the Planning Commission that they were going to keep the same use. In the letter, ask them to define the use so it is clear what use they are attempting to continue. It was also discussed that the septic was not sized for commercial use.

Chairman Smith motioned to table the plan subject to the submission of a written extension request by the applicant by July 21, 2026, at 12:00 PM. If no extension request is submitted by July 21, 2026, the application will be denied. Supervisor Huratiak seconded.

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4) Traffic Signal Maintenance Contract – Pricing remains the same. Contract was reviewed by Solicitor Santee, and it is fine.

Chairman Smith motioned to approve the Traffic Signal Maintenance Contract in the amount of \$1275.00. Vice Chairman Tolino seconded.

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5) Super Heat Biannual Maintenance - Super Heat reached out asking to perform the Spring Maintenance. The heating has been shut down since about March and only two of the five condensers are working. We signed a maintenance contract in January. What we have still needs to be maintained. The fact that we were not offered a discount on the contract price would impact on decision on a maintenance contract next year. The Secretary will contact Super Heat to ask if a discount is possible as there is not much to maintain. Also discussed was the fact they want to do Spring maintenance, and it is already July.

ROADMASTER'S REPORT: Robert Smith – The line painting was delayed due to some confusion around the line painter's contract.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Solicitor Ricky Santee – Solicitor Santee will confirm the meeting on July 10th, 2026, at 11:00 am with the buyer of the mobile park. Engineer Evans stated that SEO Steve Gitch will also attend. Supervisor Huratiak had asked Police Chief Krome to put together a report of calls from the property. The issues will be talked about engineer-to-engineer, noting how significant the work needs to be. If the potential buyer can commit to that, then there could be some discussion, but there would be no guarantees. Solicitor Santee also wanted to make the Board of Supervisors aware that he was contacted by the attorney for the solar farm and asked if the township would consider remediation. A date still needs to be decided for the zoning hearing.

ADJOURNMENT: Chairman Smith motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 pm. Vice Chairman Tolino seconded.

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