

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING
June 11, 2025 – 7:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 7:04pm. Vice Chair Tolino and Supervisor Huratiak were also in attendance. Also present: Secretary/Treasurer Sharon Cifuentes, Solicitor Ricky Santee, Interim Zoning Officer Howard Beers, Matthew Evans of Keystone Consulting Engineers, and Police Chief James Krome. There were no people in the audience.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recited

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

General Fund	CK#'s 21016-21069	\$98,475.76
Garbage Fund	CK#'s 1260	\$81,891.12
Recreation Fund	CK#'s 1863	\$140.00

Chairman Smith moved to approve the General Fund Bills in the amount of \$98,475.76. Supervisor Huratiak seconded.

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Chairman Smith moved to approve the Garbage Fund Bills in the amount of \$81,891.12 and the Recreation Fund Bills in the amount of \$140.00. Vice Chairman Tolino seconded.

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APPROVAL OF TAX CHANGES: Interim Real Estate and Additions, Garbage Additions Real Estate Changes May 2025 – (4) \$126.93

Chairman Smith moved to approve the Real Estate Tax changes in the amount of \$126.93. Supervisor Huratiak seconded.

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TREASURER REPORT: Sharon Cifuentes

- 1) Account Balance Review

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Robert Smith

- 1) Approval of the Board of Supervisor Meeting Minutes of May 14th, 2025.

Chairman Smith moved to approve the minutes of the Board of Supervisors' meeting of May 14th, 2025. Vice Chairman Tolino seconded.

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PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1) **Bangor Borough Authority Allocation Letter 2** – letter was acknowledged.
- 2) **DEP Act 2 Approval Letter – 455 American Bangor Rd.** – letter was acknowledged.

RECREATION: Justin Huratiak

Supervisor Huratiak recommended approving a new member, Trevor Weidman, to the Recreation Committee.

Supervisor Huratiak motioned to approve adding Trevor Weidman as a member of the Recreation Committee. Vice Chairman Carl Tolino seconded.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Chief James Krome

- 1) **Incident Report** – In the month of May there were 268 calls , 18 citations, and 5 arrests – 2 felony and 3 misdemeanors.
- 2) **Police Vehicle Mileage** – Mileage for the month of May was 6,196 miles.
- 3) **Vehicle Sale** – Municibid – Chief Krome discussed selling the 2017 Ford F150 vs the Tahoe. The Tahoe has a new engine with a five-year warranty, and new brakes.

Supervisor Huratiak motioned to list the Ford F150 on Municibid. Vice Chairman Tolino seconded.

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ZONING REPORT: Howard Beers

- 1) **Activity Report** – There were 12 new permits issued in the month of May. There were 5 letters of violation sent.
- 2) **Complaint Report** - Letter to 6 Flicksville was not accepted. The owner may be in the hospital. The Board recommended having a conversation with the owner prior to taking additional action.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Matthew Evans

1) **Planning Commission** – No agenda items in May or June

2) **Permits/Testing**

- a) 61 Labar Rd – perc testing
- b) 98 Starseed Dr – perc testing
- c) 314 Palmer Rd – permit renewal
- d) 664 Richmond Rd – system permit
- e) 1141 Lower S Main St – system repair permit
- f) West Bangor Rd D9-8-12C – verification of prior testing

3) **2024 MS4 Report/PRP Plan** – Discussed Blue Triton swale project and existing watershed grant.

4) **Drainage Complaints** – 151 Winding Way – Daren Martocci of KCE investigated and is preparing a summary.

5) **Sewage Planning – Front Street** – KCE is evaluating the necessity of a DEP Sewage Planning Module. Also discussed zoning and grading. Matthew Evans of KCE will look at Daren Martocci's notes and send any additional information to Zoning Officer Howard Beers.

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- 1) **AG Security Application** – The township received two (2) proposals for the creation of agricultural security areas. The two properties are located at 559 Rasley Hill Road and 200 Mack Road. No action was taken.
- 2) **Raymond Hartzell** – Vehicle Mirror Damage – The township received a request from Raymond Hartzell to be reimbursed for damages sustained to his vehicle mirror when he hit a post. It was discussed that this is not something the township would pay for.
- 3) **Annual Donations for Washington Township Volunteer Fire Department** in the amount of \$12,500, Bangor Public Library in the amount \$8500 and Blue Valley Rescue Squad in the amount of \$1500.
- 4) **Washington Township Volunteer Fire Company - Additional Donation Request** – Chairman Smith read a letter from the Washington Township Volunteer Fire Company asking for assistance with the cost of replacing the HVAC system in their fire hall. The Board discussed and determined they need additional information.

Vice Chairman Tolino motioned to table the request until further information is received. Supervisor Huratiak seconded the motion.

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- 5) **Plan Slate Belt – Intermunicipal Agreement** – The Board and Solicitor Santee discussed the pros and cons of adopting the agreement. Solicitor Santee pointed out that Washington Township is the only township, that boroughs are different in character and interests may differ.

Supervisor Huratiak motioned to approve adopting The Slate Belt Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan Intermunicipal Cooperative Implementation Agreement. Vice Chairman Tolino seconded.

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- 6) **Secondary Address - 2038 Ackermanville Rd.** – There are two dwellings on this property. It was discussed that to facilitate proper emergency dispatch to the site, a second address should be created. The existing address, 2038 Ackermanville Rd, will remain and 154 Factoryville Rd will be added.

Chairman Smith motioned to approve assigning a new address, 154 Factoryville Rd. Bangor, PA 18013 to Northampton County Parcel Number F9-19-13-0134. Supervisor Huratiak seconded.

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- 7) **Bid Opening – Propane and Fuel Oil** – The bids for propane and fuel oil were opened and discussed.

Chairman Smith motioned to award Suburban Propane L.P. with the propane contract from July 1st, 2025, through June 30th, 2026, with a price of \$1.45 and Suburban Heating Oil Partners LLC the oil contract from July 1st, 2025, through June 30th 2026, with a price of \$2.354. Vice Chairman Tolino seconded.

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ROADMASTER’S REPORT: Robert Smith

- 1) **New Employee Probation** – Chairman Smith discussed that new road employee, Kyle Hester displayed the necessary skills and competencies to perform the road crew job responsibilities and recommended waiving the remaining probation period and entitling him to benefits.

Chairman Smith motioned to waive the remaining probation period for Kyle Hester effective July 1st, 2025. Supervisor Huratiak seconded.

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- 2) **Road Building** – Discussed variances required and site plan. Zoning Board wants storm water runoff plan. KCE will look at it and provide a cost estimate.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT: Richard Santee

- 1) **Intermunicipal Boundary Line Change Agreement** – Solicitor Santee discussed the proposed agreement between Washington Township and Bangor Borough. Changes include the number of units should be 29, the agreement should not be perpetual- rather 100 years, the assessment fee to be paid by Bangor Borough is not to exceed 50 percent of the Bangor Borough’s Municipal Tax Rate, and the entire recreation fee for each unit is to be paid upfront at start. The recreation fees should be a condition of Phase I recordings. It was also discussed that revised plans were not provided and there are questions about deed restriction/ quarry preservation. No action was taken due to outstanding items.

ADJOURNMENT: Chairman Smith moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:47 PM. Vice Chairman Tolino seconded.

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Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Cifuentes
Secretary/Treasurer