

The Board of Supervisors met at the Township Office Building for their regular meeting on August 20, 2026, 7:00PM with Mark Erb & Randy Fox present. The meeting was called to order by the Vice Chairman and followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the August 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting and the August 11<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting were distributed. **Mr. Fox made a motion to approve the August 6<sup>th</sup> Minutes and the August 11<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting Minutes as presented; second by Mr. Erb. All voted in favor.**

#### **POLICE REPORT**

**Chief Jason Riggle** reported on the July statistics which included 294 incidents, 3 criminal arrests, 15 traffic accidents, 14 traffic citations, 46 traffic warnings and 3 non-traffic citations. There were 12 UCR Offences of which 8 were cleared for a clearance rate of 67%. Chief Riggle reported that Police Cadet Seth Adomnik received a 100% score on Crimes Code and is doing very well at the Police Academy. He also explained the Statewide Sexual Assault Kit Tracking System. Chief Riggle said the department does not currently have bicycle patrols but are working on getting officers back out on bikes. **Bryan Oberholtzer** of 26 South Colebrook Road asked if the police are close to bringing someone to justice in the Manheim Central School District incident. Chief Riggle said the department will hopefully have something soon.

#### **FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT** – Manheim Fire Department

**Don Kupres** reported for the quarter May through July 2026 in which they had a total of 117 calls with 24 of them in Rapho Township. The total number of calls to date in 2026 is 298. The average number of members responding on the daytime shift was 7, with the busiest day of the week being Saturday and the busiest time 5AM – 5PM. **Dan Reif** reviewed the financial reports for January 2026 through August 2026. Mr. Reif reported that the fund drive is running a little lower this year but the letters were mailed out about a month later. A second letter will go out the beginning of September.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS** - None

#### **CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS** - None

#### **PLANNING**

Randy Brubaker – Poultry barns  
680 N. Esbenshade Road  
Stormwater Management Plan RT #26-498  
Team Ag

Randy Brubaker plans to build six poultry barns at his farm located at 680 N. Esbenshade Road. The proposed project includes the construction of six broiler barns, a new gravel access drive to the barns, stormwater management facilities, and related appurtenances. The total NPDES permit/project site boundary area is approximately 19.4 acres.

**Mr. Fox made a motion to grant conditional approval for the Randy Brubaker Poultry Barns Stormwater Management Plan and Modifications subject to the applicant addressing the comments in the RETTEW letter dated August 6, 2026 and revised August 18, 2026, to the satisfaction of the Township and to authorize the**

appropriate Township officials to execute the related plans and documents following review by the Township Solicitor and/or Engineer; second by Mr. Erb. All voted in favor.

**OLD BUSINESS** - None

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Fox made a motion to have township staff forward to Township Solicitor to draft and advertise an ordinance for a hearing and consideration at a future meeting to lower the speed limit on Valley Road from 55mph to 40mph; second by Mr. Erb. All voted in favor

Mr. Fox made a motion to approve the sale of 1998 Mack single axle dump truck, VIN 1M2P285C5WM039741, via online auction at [www.municibid.com](http://www.municibid.com) with a starting bid of \$7500 and the auction ending on Thursday, September 10 at 1:00PM; second by Mr. Erb. All voted in favor.

Mr. Fox made a motion acknowledging the resignation of Donald Kupres, and thanked him for his service to Rapho Township and to approve an employment offer and the hiring of Bryan Oberholtzer for a vacant Part Time Public Works position; second by Mr. Erb. All voted in favor.

Mr. Fox made a motion to acknowledge receipt of Rezoning Petition for a 3.745 acre portion of parcel 540-55081-0-0000, bordering Strickler Road and Manheim/Mount Joy Road and referral of the petition to the Lancaster County and Rapho Township Planning Commissions and establish a public hearing date before the Board of Supervisors for 7:00PM on October 1, 2026; second by Mr. Erb. All voted in favor.

Mr. Fox made a motion to approve the request from Manheim Borough to authorize the Mastersonville Special Fire Police to provide security, traffic and crowd control for the Manheim Farm Show Parade from 5:00PM to approximately 10:00PM Wednesday evening October 7, 2026; second by Mr. Erb. All voted in favor.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

*Notification of Recorded Agricultural Security Area Declaration – 1198 Fairview Rd – Cletus, Dale & Sharon Balmer – (Total Acres in Ag Security = 12,029.08)*

**APPROVAL OF THE DISBURSEMENT LIST** – Mr. Fox made a motion to approve the disbursement list and pay the bills; second by Mr. Erb. All voted in favor.

There being no further public business or public comments, the meeting adjourned at 7:26PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melva J. Kready  
Recording Secretary