

The Board of Supervisors met at the Township Office Building for their regular meeting on November 20, 2025, 7:30PM with Lowell Fry, Mark Erb & Randy Fox present. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the November 6, 2025 Work Session and the November 6, 2025 Meeting were distributed. **Mr. Erb made a motion to approve the Minutes from the November 6, 2025 Work Session and the November 6, 2025 Meeting as presented; second by Mr. Fox. All voted in favor.**

POLICE REPORT - None

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT – Manheim Fire Department

Andy Kirchner reported for the quarter August through October. The department had a total of 102 calls with 30 of them in Rapho Township. The average time per incident was 37 minutes. The average number of members responding on the daytime shift was 6, night shift 8 and weekend shift 7 with the busiest day of the week being Friday and the busiest time 5AM – 5PM. Mr. Kirchner reported that they hope to have the final specs for a new truck within the next 6 months.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS - None

PLANNING

Henry Beiler

1973 Iron Bridge Road

Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan RT#22-418

Harbor Engineering

Mr. Fox made a motion to release the Financial Security for Henry Beiler #22-418 in the amount of 14,401.50 as recommended by the Rettew letter dated November 19, 2025; second by Mr. Erb. All voted in favor.

Musser's Bulk Water

742 South Colebrook Road

Final Plan & Modifications RT#23-439

Harbor Engineering

Mr. Fox made a motion to release the Financial Security for Musser's Bulk Water #23-439 in the amount of \$59,035.00 as recommended by the Rettew letter dated November 13, 2025; second by Mr. Erb. All voted in favor.

Garman Coal and Mulch

Final Plan and Modification RT#24-462

196 North Erisman Road

Hartech Engineering

Mr. Erb made a motion to acknowledge the applicant's grant of time extension for plan processing until August 1, 2026; second by Mr. Fox. All voted in favor.

Ken & Crystal Zimmerman
791 North Esbenshade Road
Stormwater Management Plan and Modifications RT#25-482
Harbor Engineering

Ken and Crystal Zimmerman are the owners of a 52.63-acre farmstead property located at 791 North Esbenshade Road in the Agricultural Zoning District of Rapho Township. It is their intention to remove an existing driveway and add a new driveway and expand the gravel area of the access drive to their milking parlor to improve truck circulation. They also wish to construct an agricultural building and stormwater management facility. Applicants are seeking approval of a Stormwater Management Plan and Modifications of Section 286-22.A.2- Drafting Standards (Profile Scale), Section 286-22.C.2 Existing Features within 200 feet, Section 286-28.D-Minimum Pipe Diameter and Section 286-30.A.2.c – Loading Ratios Volume Control Facilities.

Mr. Fox made a motion to grant conditional approval for the Ken & Crystal Zimmerman Stormwater Management Plan and Modifications subject to the applicant addressing the comments in the RETTEW letter dated November 19, 2025 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.

Melvin J. Huber
457 Cold Spring Road
Proposed Poultry Barn Stormwater Plan and Modification RT#25-484
Team Ag

Applicant is planning to construct a poultry barn, an access drive and stormwater management facilities on his property located at 457 Cold Springs Road. Applicant is seeking approval for a proposed Stormwater Management Plan and a Modification of Section 286-28.D -Minimum Pipe Size.

Lizbeth Rivera of Team Ag reviewed the plan with the Board. Mr. Fry asked if there were topography issues which Ms. Rivera said that there were none. She said they should have their NPDES permit in 2 months. **Mr. Fox made a motion to grant conditional approval for the Melvin J. Huber Poultry Barn Stormwater Management Plan and Modification subject to the applicant addressing the comments in the RETTEW letter dated November 13, 2025 and revised November 18, 2025 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

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Erb made a motion to grant approval for the use of township roadways by the PA Hope Ride Against Cancer which takes place on Sunday, May 17, 2026; second by Mr. Fox. All voted in favor.

Mr. Fox made a motion to approve the proposed 2026 General, State and Capital Fund Budgets and advertisement of the same for adoption/acknowledgement at the December 18, 2025 Board of Supervisors meeting; second by Mr. Erb. All voted in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE

Notification from LCSWMA of rate adjustment for 2026

Notification of NPDES Notice of Intent (NOI) – 220 Eby Chiques Rd – Wenger Feeds

Notification of billing rate for 2026 – Appel Yost

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

There being no further public business or public comments, the meeting adjourned at 7:52PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melva J. Kready
Recording Secretary