

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING
September 9, 2026**

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM. Vice Chairman Tolino and Supervisor Huratiak were in attendance. Secretary/Treasurer Cifuentes, Solicitor Santee, Zoning Officer Beers, Engineer Evans, and Police Chief Krome were also present. There were four individuals in the audience.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recited

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Chairman Smith motioned to approve the General Fund bills in the amount of \$53,019.37, the Garbage Fund bill in the amount of \$82,096.67, and the Recreation Fund bills in the amount of \$455.57. Supervisor Huratiak seconded.

VOTE 2-0-1

APPROVAL OF TAX CHANGES: Interim Real Estate and Additions, Garbage Additions
Chairman Smith motioned to approve the August 2026 tax changes for real estate in the amount of \$184.40. Vice Chairman Tolino seconded.

VOTE 3-0-0

TREASURER REPORT: Sharon Cifuentes

The Treasurer report is on file and available to review at the township's administrative office.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Robert Smith

- 1) Approval of the Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes of August 12, 2026

Chairman Smith motioned to approve the minutes of August 12, 2026. Supervisor Huratiak seconded.

VOTE3-0-0

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- 1) Brett Morrison of the Blue Valley Resue Squad spoke about three grants the Blue Valley Rescue Squad is looking at for financial assistance with a new rescue truck and various rescue tools and equipment. The total amount needed is approximately \$750,000. The Blue Valley Rescue Squad is asking for the township to sponsor and support them.

Supervisor Huratiak motioned to amend the agenda to act on the request to sponsor the grant applications for Blue Valley Rescue Squad. Chairman Smith seconded.

VOTE 3-0-0

Supervisor Huratiak motioned to authorize the Board of Supervisor's Chairman and the Secretary to draft and execute the necessary support letter and resolution for Blue Valley Rescue Squad's grant applications. Vice Chairman Tolino seconded.

VOTE 3-0-0

CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1) **Blue Valley Farm Show** – A letter was received regarding a 40x60 pole building they would like to put up to house an Agricultural Museum. They were told by our Zoning Officer they would need a land development plan. The Blue Valley Farm Show is requesting that the Board waive the requirement for land development. It was discussed whether it qualified for an agricultural exemption. The Blue Valley Farm Show representative stated they are looking for guidance on how to proceed. The Blue Valley Farm Show is a commercial entity. It is easier to obtain waivers on SALDO rather than waiving land development altogether. A land development plan should be filed.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Chief James Krome

- 1) **Incident Report** – On August 2026, there were 289 incidents, 7 arrests and 42 citations.
- 2) **Vehicle Mileage** – August 2026 police mileage was 5124 miles.
- 3) **Personnel** – Police Chief Krome provided an update.

ZONING REPORT: Howard Beers - Zoning Officer Beers

- 1) **Zoning Permit Log** – Zoning Officer Beers presented his zoning permit log. The two violation letters sent out were resolved.
- 2) **911 Glendon** – ARM has been sent two letters regarding vehicle on the property. The vehicles are removed and when the violation time frame is up, they are moved back. The conditions of the variance are being perpetually violated. Solicitor Santee suggested filing in Common Pleas. It was also discussed going before the District Magistrate.

Chairman Smith motioned to authorize Zoning Officer Beers to file with the District Magistrate regarding the violations at 911 Glendon. Vice Chairman Tolino seconded.

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- 3) **893 Lower S Main** – Will go before the District Magistrate October 1, 2026
- 4) **732 Locke Heights** – Did not accept the certified letter from the District Magistrate. The District Magistrate continued it without prejudice. Zoning Officer Beers would need to file again and have it served by a constable at a cost of \$50.70. The property owner does not live there, so it would be served to the current resident.

Chairman Smith motioned to authorize Constable Service to 732 Locke Heights Rd. Supervisor Huratiak seconded.

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- 5) **143 Bangor Junction** – Will go before the District Magistrate October 1, 2026.
- 6) **30 Beechwood** – The Zoning Hearing Board was continued to October 6, 2026. The details of the matter were discussed. Solicitor Santee suggested negotiating a fine. **Supervisor Huratiak motioned to authorize Zoning Officer Beers to negotiate settlement of a fine of \$1000 and to use his discretion to determine what amount is acceptable. Vice Chairman Tolino seconded.**

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ENGINEER REPORT: Matt Evans – Provided engineering updates.

- 1) There were no planning applications in August 2026.
- 2) There was one grading permit application for 98 Starseed Drive
- 3) Engineer Evans met with the Road Master and Road Foreman to discuss revisions to the Street Excavation Permit. The revisions tied the permit to the ordinance. Clarification about the fees being determined and calculated on linear feet will be provided to office staff by Engineer Evans.

Chairman Smith motioned to approve the new Sidewalk/Curbing/ Street 2026 Excavation Permit. Supervisor Huratiak seconded.

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- 4) Neighborly complaint was received from the DEP on 1120 Lower S Main Street. A neighbor noticed a pipe coming out of this building. Engineer Evans went out to look at it. It could be prohibited discharge. He also provided an inspection report and some language for a letter to Vicki Mack to send out. He will reach out and meet with the owner. They can prove it is not connected to anything, relocate it, or just cap it altogether.
- 5) A letter of support was received by Ann Flood's office today.

RECREATION: Justin Huratiak

- 1) **Pickleball Court – Engineer's Opinion of Probable Costs** – The Recreation Committee would like to apply for a DCNR grant for additional pickleball courts. Would like to work with Keystone Consulting Engineers to provide an opinion of costs. The township will provide a previously prepared cost estimate as a baseline.

Supervisor Huratiak motioned to authorize Keystone Consulting Engineers to update the opinion of probable costs for a grant to install new pickleball courts. Vice Chairman Tolino seconded.

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- 2) Secretary/Treasurer Cifuentes confirmed that the township received a check from Bangor Borough in the amount of \$42,000 for recreation fees for the municipal lot line adjustment.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS: Robert Smith

- 1) **Agricultural Security Area Proposal** – Jonathan D Stonewall

Chairman Smith motioned to acknowledge receipt of and approval for advertising the Agricultural Security Area proposal from Jonathan D Stonewall, parcel ID G9-8-1D-0134. Vice Chairman Tolino seconded.

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- 2) **Super Heat Change Order** – Solicitor Santee explained when a change order could be accepted. The project was put out to bid two times, the first resulting in zero bids. After the bid was awarded, additional work was recommended for efficiency. It should also be noted that since the award, there have been unexpected additional issues with the furnace, hot water and HVAC system. The system appears to be failing across the board.

Chairman Smith motioned to approve a change order number 16386 from Super Heat in the of \$39,914.00. Supervisor Huratiak seconded the motion.

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The bond for Super Heat would not need to be changed. Solicitor Santee will provide a contract for the HVAC work. Engineer Evans stated he has a standard form that may be used for the contract. He will forward it to Solicitor Santee.

Also discussed was the preferred location for two 1000-gallon propane tanks.

Supervisor Huratiak motioned to authorize the Secretary/Treasurer to seek quotes for two 1000-gallon underground tanks with piping. Chairman Smith seconded.

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- 3) **2027 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for the Police Pension Plan –**

Secretary/Treasurer Cifuentes presented the 2027 MMO for the police pension plan in the amount of \$136,519.75.

- 4) **2027 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for the Non-Uniform Pension Plans – 48-102-5 N1 and 48-102-5-N2** - Secretary/Treasurer Cifuentes presented the 2027 MMO in the amounts of \$14,335.00 for 48-102-5 N1 and \$17,649.00 for 48-102-5 N2.

- 5) **Budget Meeting Dates and Advertisement** – Secretary/ Treasurer Cifuentes proposed the following dates for the budget meetings:

October 07, 2026, at 9:00 AM

October 21, 2026, at 3:30 PM

November 04, 2026, at 9:00 AM

Chairman Smith motioned to advertise the meeting dates for the 2027 budget. Vice Chairman Tolino seconded.

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- 6) **IT Equipment – Laptop for Road Dept and Monitor for Police Clerk –**

Chairman Smith motioned to have the Secretary/Treasurer order a new laptop and monitor with a cost up to \$1000. Supervisor Huratiak seconded.

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- 7) **Advertise Diesel Fuel Bid**

Chairman Smith motioned to authorize advertising for diesel fuel bids. Supervisor Huratiak seconded.

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8) Electric Supplier - Constellation New Energy – Discussed rates. Chairman Smith motioned to stay with Constellation and renew the contract for 60 months at a price of .1076/KWh. Vice Chairman Tolino seconded.

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Upon receipt of the contract, it will be forwarded to Solicitor Santee for review.

ROADMASTERS REPORT: Robert Smith

- 1) **Stream Crossing Signs** – Stream crossing signs have been installed by the Road crew.
- 2) **Crack Seal** – Only one bid was received from Asphalt Maintenance Solutions, LLC. **Chairman Smith motioned to award the bid to Asphalt Maintenance Solutions, LLC for 600 gallons, in the amount of \$17,292.00. Supervisor Huratiak seconded.**

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SOLICITORS REPORT: Ricky Santee – Solicitor Santee noted that the Zoning Hearing Board meeting for the Solar farm will be held September 28, 2026, at the Washington Township Volunteer Fire Company Hall.

A meeting was held with the prospective buyer of Meadowbrook Mobile Park. He, his council and engineers understand the issues. The prospective buyer is permitted to apply for permits on the owner's behalf.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Smith motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:58 PM. Supervisor Huratiak seconded.

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Respectfully submitted,

**Sharon Cifuentes
Secretary**