



**SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
BUSINESS MEETING
JULY 7, 2026
7:00 P.M.**

Present: Supervisors Marcus Kohan, Tim Stiffy and Willie Hohmann. Also Present: Solicitor Jim Nevant, Gateway Engineer Jim Naret, Road Foreman Jim Knight, and Township Administrator Lucinda Lipko.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Additions or Deletions: None

Public Comment: None

Fire Department Report:

Chief Hutchins reported that in June there were 17 calls. Chief Hutchins asked for a pass on reporting the Tax Credits as he was not clear on the process. He also stated that there is a notarized report due November 1st, however, the Ordinance and the Resolution dates do not match up. The Board will review.

Administration and Finance:

Tim Stiffy made a motion to approve the third quarter Work Authorization from Gateway Engineers for General Engineering Services not to exceed \$ 6,159.40. Seconded by Willie Hohmann, motion carried.

Tim Stiffy made a motion to approve the Township Administrator Lucinda Lipko to sign all documents relevant to the Neshannock Creek Watershed Joint Municipal Authority Guarantor Omnibus Certificate on behalf of Springfield Township. Seconded by Willie Hohmann, motion carried.

Tim Stiffy made a motion to approve the recommendation from the Planning Commission for the Land Development Application submitted by Charles Gerbe for the property located on 1015 Leesburg Station Road, contingent on the letter from Gateway Engineers dated June 18, 2026, and on all comments, if any, from the Mercer County Regional Planning Commission. Seconded by Willie Hohmann, motion carried.

Discussion of advertisement for Laborer position. It was decided to take out the 3 years of experience and remove the “on call 24 hours” as it can be discussed during an interview.

Zoning and Land Development:

1 building permit, 1 sign permit, 1 demolition permit, 2 occupancy permits and 1 zoning permit were issued in June 2026.

Sewer and Water:

Jim Knight reported that they have been putting in the live bacteria, but once the humidity runs high there is going to be a smell. DEP has closed out the complaint.

Roads and Bridges:

Jim Knight reported that the request for the final inspection for the seal coating was completed on Monday and Stacy will send it in. The final bill is \$86,083.84.

Bottlehill Road has a tree stuck on the phone lines that will be removed. 1,500 tons of millings will be delivered and will be saved for next year on Bottlehill Road. They will keep an eye on the road and fill in holes with dirt and gravel.

Engineer's Report:

Jim Naret with Gateway Engineers reported that the ARLE scoping application is a new requirement and he will remind the Township about it. Supervisor Kohan asked about applying for light poles on the trail. He sees 5 poles he thinks we should put lights on.

Small Water and Sewer Project went out for advertisement on June 24, 2026 and July 1, 2026 and we will open bids on July 15, 2026.

Dan Goncz sent Sugar Falls Distillery an application to have the water pretreated. Dan will work directly with the owner.

Jim Naret received a request from Katlyn Olvera, of Mastec for road way preconstruction and fiber optics. Jim Naret would like to sit down and discuss this with Jim Knight. Jim Knight advised that he would reference Publication 408.

The subdivision for the Cobblehaus was recommended for approval by the Planning Commission.

Public Works Report:

Jim Knight reported that power lines were down on Friday on Old Ash dead end. The lines were just picked up on Monday. This will need to be addressed with Penn Power and he will call and discuss it with them.

Jim Knight would like to go to AT&T for a cell phone for the Township, specifically for call outs. Each Public Works person will start carrying it a week at a time and be responsible for responding.

Reports:

Jim Nevant reported that the previous facilities use template was ok, but he also sent a new one to review.

Two realtors/developers are asking for voluminous information, not under the RTK, for Jersey Mikes. Jim Nevant stated that we are not in business to be an extension of their private business.

The Attorney for the Neshannock Creek Water Shed Project sent over a stack of documents for the closing and Solicitor Nevant reviewed them.

Jim Nevant reported that we approved up to \$2,300 for a real state expert to do an assessment of the Prime Outlets. The cost ended up being \$1,100 for the appraisal report and \$1,100 for the property inspection and analysis of financials.

The Water Agreement with Grove City is now in the hands of Solicitor Bonner, and he will discuss any changes with Solicitor Nevant.

Supervisor Willie Hohmann reported that he saw in the paper that the County Commissioners pushed back the assessment until 2027. Does that also mean that the schools cannot raise their taxes? Solicitor Nevant stated that no, the schools can still raise their taxes.

Supervisor Kohan is concerned with the complaint involving the Fire Department members hanging around outside and being loud at all hours of the night. Chief Hutchins said that he would talk to the residents.

Supervisor Stiffy reported that he did help Rick Cameron over the weekend with removing all the Trees that were down from the storm.

Correspondence:

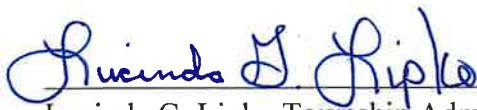
The Fire Chief has approved the following request for Fire Police:

- For parking control at the Jefferson Township Fair on July 28th through August 1st.
- For traffic and parking control at the Music in the Park – Concerts at Riverside in Greenville on June 18th, July 23rd and August 6th
- For traffic control at the PA Super Kids Race in Sharpsville on June 27th
- For traffic control at the Greenville Borough Car Cruise on July 4th.
- For traffic and parking control at the America 250 Celebration-Concert on July 2nd.
- For traffic control at the July 4th 250 Parade in Mercer Borough on July 4th
- For traffic control at the Pymatuning State Park fireworks on July 5th
- For traffic control at the Saxonburg Fireman's Parade on June 25th
- For traffic control at the Hovis Auto Supply, Inc. car cruise-in on July 25th.

Public Comment:

Gary Sawor asked if there are any future plans for Millburn Road and Woodland Road for repairs? Currently it is not a safe passage on Old Mercer Road. There is no way that a school bus and a truck can pass each other. Road Foreman Jim Knight advised that they previously put together a preliminary plan with Gateway Engineers, it was an astronomical amount and the Board decided not to proceed. Gary responded that something has to be done as it is just an accident waiting to happen and there has to be a solution. He reported all culverts on Smith Road are plugged and the one on Woodland is also plugged.

A motion was made by Tim Stiffy to adjourn the meeting into Executive Session for personal with no business afterwards. Seconded by Willie Hohmann, motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.



Lucinda G. Lipko Township Administrator