

**Moore Township Board of Supervisors
2491 Community Drive
Bath, PA 18014
July 1, 2025**

The Regular Monthly Meeting for the Moore Township Board of Supervisors (BOS) was called to order on Tuesday, July 1, 2025, by Chairman Daniel Piorkowski at 6:00 PM. The meeting was conducted at the municipal building. Members present were Chairman Daniel Piorkowski, Vice Chairman David Shaffer, Supervisor Michael Tirrell, Township Manager Stephen Nowroski, Township Solicitor David Backenstoe, and Township Engineer Kevin Horvath from Keystone Consulting Engineers (KCE).

August BOS Meeting start time will be 5pm instead of 6pm due to the Police Department hosting National Night Out at the Rec Center.

Mr. Tirrell made a motion to approve the time change.

Mr. Shaffer seconded the motion

Public comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

WAIVERS & DEFERALS

#25-02P – Lehigh Solar/BWC Hokendauqua Creek Solar Farm – Land Development- Waivers
Requesting waivers from 260.35I & 260.34I for Right of Ways. Should they follow the guidelines, it would be taking away neighboring yards.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve waivers for 260.35I & 260.34I Right of ways for, #25-02P – Lehigh Solar/BWC Hokendauqua Creek Solar Farm – Land Development

Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion

Public comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

SUB-DIVISIONS AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

#25-05P/F – Jeremy Madea/Maryann Jager- Minor Subdivision- Conditional Approval

Mr. Tirrell made a motion to approve Conditional Approval for #25-05P/F – Jeremy Madea/Maryann Jager- Minor Subdivision per the conditions set forth by KCE in their letter from June 19th.

Mr. Shaffer seconded the motion

Public comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

#25-06P- Aqua PA, Evanwood- Land Development - Conditional Approval

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve Conditional Approval for #25-06P Aqua PA, Evanwood- Land Development per the conditions set forth by KCE in their letter from June 19th and the ZHB.

Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion

Public comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

REGULAR BUSINESS

MINUTES

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve one set of minutes from June 3, 2025.

Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion

Public comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Tirrell made a motion to approve the Financial Report

Mr. Shaffer seconded the motion

Public comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

PAYMENT OF THE BILLS

General Fund- \$237,654.63, LF-\$5,457.22, Open Space- \$4,085.00, Community Days- \$250.00

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to pay the bills

Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion

Public comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

APPROVE PAYROLL

Mr. Tirrell made a motion to approve the payroll

Mr. Shaffer seconded the motion

Public comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Gary West read the June 2025 report.

FIRE & AMBULANCE

Mr. Jason Harhart read the June 2025 report.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

No Report, A New EMC needs to be appointed since Robert Hindley will be stepping down. There were two letters of interest, David Tashner and John Fries. David Tashner will be appointed.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to appoint David Tashner Sr. as EMC and Robert Hindley as Deputy EMC.

Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion

Public comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Mr. Hoffman stated that there has been an issue with the oil and chip treatments, especially on Yost Rd. We have a one-year maintenance bond with AMS and they have been responsive with the issue, multiple

times they tried to help the situation. This is a statewide issue, it is something with the mixture of emulsion. It is still being investigated, and they will continue to monitor it and respond accordingly.

FIRST REGIONAL COMPOST AUTHORITY (FRCA)

Richard Gable stated everything is up and running. They just installed new teeth into the grinder they have so it chops up debris better.

NAZARETH COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (COG)

The only thing discussed was Bushkill's EMC provided a presentation on the EMS and Firefighting crisis in PA.

RECREATION COMMISSION

Seeking approval for new "No Parking" signs that will include "towing at owner's expense" etc. Attorney Backenstoe stated that an ordinance would need to be drawn up to place these signs. He will look at any updates they need for the current ordinance or to adopt a new one.

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Mr. Tirrell said digging has started at the Schoolhouse. They found a bottle from the 1890's brewery in Catasauqua. Everything is moving forward.

LAND & ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BOARD (LEPB)

Bat boxes are being built.

July 26th is the Electronic Recycling Event at the Rec Center, on the football field side.

OS-100 appraisal was discussed in an executive meeting.

Mr. Tirrell made a motion to approve the OS-100 appraisal.

Mr. Piorkowski seconded the motion

Public comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

COMMUNITY DAYS COMMITTEE

Mrs. Kerbacher reported the next concert in the park is July 26th "Joyous".

ZONING AND BUILDING OFFICER

Mr. Harhart submitted his June report. As well as the Isolation Distance Waiver for 614 Monocacy Drive. The current system is failing. The properties on either side are not 100' from the site causing a waiver to be needed and the neighbors to agree to the distance provided along with notarized indemnification agreements.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve the waiver under the conditions all three neighbors must sign and agree to an indemnification agreement.

Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion

Public comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

TOWNSHIP ENGINEER

NCCD Complaint 2025-03-3228 W. Scenic Drive.

There were extensive waivers granted to this property, there was a covenant added to this plan for no disturbance. Which the owners have gone against and could result in it being retracted. Topsoil was

stripped and some areas raised about 2-4'. The owner Anthony Dex was present and discussed why he did the work on his property. It was strictly agricultural purposes, and he did not know that would be included in the waivers/covenant. Mr. Dex is still waiting for NCCD to stop back out and look at the property. Mr. Horvath is unsure of the property layout before work and what exactly he has changed. Attorney Backenstoe stated the plans have not yet been recorded. Mr. Dex needs to have NCCD come back and check the property to have full release on the complaint, Mr. Horvath will then check the property, and the plans will be submitted once cleared. All of this needs to be finished within 6 months, if not, the board should withdraw conditional approval. Mr. Horvath mentioned it would be better for him to go out asap to check the area.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion that the owner of 3228 W. Scenic Drive has 6 months from today's date to have the NCCD violation corrected, if not, the matter should be brought to the board, and they will consider withdrawing the conditional approval.

Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion

Public Comment

Maya van Rossum, 800 Copella Road. -Delaware River keeper. Stated her concern with the landscape work that had been done with the waivers that were set in place. She requests Mr. Horvath take a look deeply into the drainage patterns and alterations that have been made, and how it may affect eco systems.

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to allow KCE to go out and assess the property if needed.

Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion

Public Comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye.

Meeting Summary from the discussion with AMS and KCE as well as other treatment options. MS4 basins- estimates for some of the work came in just under \$25K, which is under the threshold for prevailing wages. The scope of work does not include a performance bond nor a maintenance bond which is something usually required. This project will be finished in a few days, just removing trees and planting grass. One application of payment so if the work isn't finished, he won't be paid. Attorney Backenstoe stated, you almost never have a contract without the performance bond. For obvious purposes. The downside is requiring the bond will cost more and take the pricing over the threshold. Mr. Hoffman only has a concern about the grass growing in the basins. It was stated they can add in the contract a certain percentage of grass needs to be grown before payment is issued.

TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR

TOWNSHIP MANAGER

Mr. Nowroski stated an agreement has been reached with the Teamsters. The contract would take affect 1/1/2026-12/31/2028.

Mr. Tirrell made a motion to approve the Teamsters Local 773 Bargaining Agreement starting 1/1/26 and ending 12/31/28.

Mr. Shaffer seconded the motion

Public Comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye.

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

CORRESPONDENCE/MEMOS

Diane Zweifel- Speed Bump Request, Fairway Lane

Concerned with the speeding on Fairway Lane and Keeler Road. She would like speed humps placed in the area. Chief West stated the speed trailer had been placed out there but for only a few days, it was not reading the number of cars and their speed properly. This is the first complaint that has been brought forth since the development was built. Additional 25 MPH signs have been placed at this location. Chief West stated there is another device the PD has that will be placed in the area to record data, as well as borrowing KCEs device to place across the road and have the extra data. Mr. Tavianni was also present and voiced his opinion on having the speed humps placed in the area, he feels there is no issue and there are no speed bumps anywhere else in the township.

Brian Radcliffe- Hometown Heros

622 Monocacy. He is here on behalf of the American Legion of Bath; he would like to include Moore Township and Chapman in the Hometown Hero program. Banners would be 30"x50", it is not a fundraiser and the fee is \$180. It is only for recognition for the service members; the fee covers the banner. He would like permission to do so and what roads they would like to include. PPL needs to give permission to do the project, and he is requesting that PW will assist in hanging the banners. There is roughly a two-week turnaround once the proof is approved. Mr. Shaffer will research with PPL and time wise etc.

OPEN TO THE FLOOR

Mr. Zweifel apologized for his outburst.

Mr. Hindley the EMC questioned if there is ever hazardous waste collection, he was told the county does. Mr. Ayvazov stated he hopes the township is mindful of the work on the basins causing potential for sink holes. He also stated it is smart for the township to get approval from PennDOT for the Hometown Heros banners and he will sponsor or help any way he can.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 PM

Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion

Public comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

Respectfully submitted,



Katherine Yost
Township Secretary

Not intended to be word for word, but a synopsis of the meeting.