

Moore Township Board of Supervisors
2491 Community Drive
Bath, PA 18014
September 2, 2025

The Regular Monthly Meeting for the Moore Township Board of Supervisors (BOS) was called to order on Tuesday, September 2nd, 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).

Mr. Piorkowski announced that the BOS held two executive sessions. August 8th & Sept. 2nd, both regarding employees.

WAIVERS & DEFERALS

SUB-DIVISIONS AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

REGULAR BUSINESS

MINUTES

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve one set of minutes from August 5th, 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

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to pay the bills

General Fund-\$150,906.62, State Fund- \$36,266.44, Open Space-\$199,247.11, Community Days-\$19,421.98.

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 August 2025 report. Diane Zweifel questioned the progress with the speeding issue on Fairway Ln. Chief West stated they conducted a speed enforcement on August 27th from 3-5:30PM with a total of 24 cars in the 2.5hr period with 2 violators that were ticketed. These enforcements are paid for by state grants. Speed enforcement was also conducted on Point Phillips Road having 12 violators and Community Drive having 7 violators. The next round of this special enforcement will be between Oct. -Nov.

FIRE & AMBULANCE

Mr. Jason Harhart read the August 2025 report.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Mr. Tashner stated he is still waiting for approval of his appointment as Emergency Management Coordinator from the Governor's office.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Mr. Hoffman stated they have completed paving Becker and Rinker Roads, and they will begin working on East and West Dannersville.

FIRST REGIONAL COMPOST AUTHORITY (FRCA)

Everything is available.

NAZARETH COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (COG)

No meeting this past month.

RECREATION COMMISSION

Ms. Hartzell stated that the swing set is being installed today at the recreation center. She requested the township share that it will be closed for at least 48 hours until the concrete sets. She also questioned the lights at McCandless. The BOS knows the L&I permit was approved, and the rest is up to BEI currently. The township did not spend any funds on this project.

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Mr. Tirrell said they are about two weeks away from the schoolhouse floor being complete. The committee has also created an information brochure about the history of Moore Twp. They would like the BOS to approve them to hand these out at events. The Board of Supervisors supported the printing of the brochures.

LAND & ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BOARD (LEPB)

Mr. Romano stated the LEPB is looking at hiring an Open Space Coordinator. This position would strictly help with Open Space, no farmland. Having this position would greatly help the LEPB reach the next level. The position would be full-time. This opens the door for the Township to potentially do its own preservations without using one of the conservancies. Mr. Shaffer added that the LEPB spoke with a Bushkill supervisor, they stated hiring an OS Coordinator has been more successful than they imagined. They also interviewed the Buskill OS Coordinator who has held that position for the last 6 years. The position would be non-union, salary based and paid from the Land preservation earned income tax fund and not general fund. Mr. Shaffer mentioned there are still over 10k acres in Moore Twp that are not preserved. This position would have many projects to accomplish. Attorney Backentoe added that there is no case law against paying this position from the Land Preservation fund. Mr. Losinger and Mr. Zeitner both expressed their opinion on the importance of this position.

Mr. Tirrell made a motion to authorize Attorney Backenstoe to create an ordinance for review at the next BOS meeting for an Open Space Coordinator.

Mr. Piorkowski seconded the motion

Public comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

800 Copella Road Conservation Easement Estimate-12 acres with a pond and a tributary, estimated by Wildlands Conservancy not going over \$50,740.00.

Mr. Tirrell made a motion to accept the estimate from Wildlands for 800 Copella Road to not exceed \$50,740.00.

Mr. Shaffer seconded the motion

Public comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

COMMUNITY DAYS COMMITTEE

Ms. Kerbacher reported the last concert in the park is Sept. 13th "Video Daze", and there will be a Mystery Bingo October 19th.

ZONING AND BUILDING OFFICER

Mr. Harhart submitted his August report.

TOWNSHIP ENGINEER

Mr. Horvath gave an update on the MS4 basin retrofit project, it was confirmed that Charlie Nansteel, the bidder for the projects has reestablished his standing with co-stars. Waiting for documentation and then proceeding forward.

TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR

Date Center draft Ordinance- Attorney Backenstoe stated these have become a necessity with the world's demand in AI and advancements in technology. These are large buildings that house computers and accessories- generators, fiber optics, etc. The township will have to research where they want to allow these buildings, and how their use is going to be defined. There are a lot of requirements to take into consideration such as, height, noise issues, power usage, water usage, etc. He drafted a comprehensive draft that outlines all the critical issues that will eventually need to be addressed.

TOWNSHIP MANAGER

Mr. Nowroski stated Moore Twp had two Public Works employees resign and he is seeking approval for advertisements to hire two positions.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to accept the resignations of Joseph Heatter and Albert Hawk.

Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion

Public comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

Mr. Tirrell made a motion to allow advertising for two open Public Works positions.

Mr. Shaffer seconded the motion

Public comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

Mr. Shaffer made a motion that Moore Twp Trick or Treat night will be Oct. 31st from 6-8PM

Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion

Public comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES

2025-17 Solar Energy Systems Fee- this amends the fee schedule; an error was on the original adoption. It was printed at \$100 per 15sqft, this reduces it to \$5 per 100sqft of solar panel.

Mr. Tirrell made a motion to accept Resolution 2025-17 Solar Energy Systems Fee.

Mr. Shaffer seconded the motion

Public comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

2025-18 LSA Police Radios-looking to apply for a state grant for the police radios.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to accept Resolution 2025-18 LSA Police Radios

Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion

Public comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

CD *7936 Renewal

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to renew CD *7936 at the 12-month 4.00% rate.

Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion

Public comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

CORRESPONDENCE/MEMOS

48-060-5N MMO Memo and worksheet-\$100,280.00

48-060-5P MMO Memo and worksheet-\$249,560.00

Thank You letter from Northampton Public Library for our donation.

Diane Zweifel requested to amend the July 1, 2025 BOS minutes. Specifically, the section under "Open to the Floor" and the part that states "Mr. Zweifel apologized for his outburst". Mrs. Zweifel stated that it lacks context and requested it to be changed to state "Mr. Zweifel apologized for his outburst when he defended Mrs. Zweifel from being inappropriately verbally attacked by Mr. Tavianini". Attorney Backenstoe stated minutes are not supposed to be word-for-word, they are a summary of the events. He does not recommend changing the minutes every time someone disagrees. If the board feels it's pressing then a motion could be made to change the minutes, they could include the document to the minutes as well. Mrs. Zweifel would be okay if her letter was included in the minutes to reflect her concern about the

lack of context in explaining her husband's apology further than his statement. Mr. Nowroski stated the September 2, 2025 BOS minutes will reflect her request without attaching outside documentation.

OPEN TO THE FLOOR

Mr. Zeitner questioned Attorney Backenstoe regarding the Data Centers and if they fall under Conditional Use, if that goes to the BOS and not ZHB. Attorney Backenstoe stated that is correct.

Mr. Leiner stated he has read an article that the state of Wyoming does not have a power grid large enough to power a data center they are looking to build, they might need to build its own power supply.

Mr. Tirrell thanked the Police Dept, Public Works and Klecknersville for National Night Out.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 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.