

**Moore Township Board of Supervisors
2491 Community Drive
Bath, PA 18014
March 4th, 2025**

The Regular Monthly Meeting for the Moore Township Board of Supervisors (BOS) was called to order on Tuesday, March 4th, 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 swore in the Fire Officers from Klecknersville Rangers Vol. Fire Dept. Also, two candidates running for office were present and they introduced themselves with a little of their backgrounds. Jeremy Clark is running for Northampton County Judge and Robert Kemmerer is running for District 3-3-02 Magistrate.

**WAIVERS & DEFERALS
SUBDIVISIONS/LAND DEVELOPMENTS
REGULAR BUSINESS
MINUTES**

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to accept the minutes of the February 4th, 2025, meeting.

Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion.

Public Comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Tirrell made a motion to accept the Financial Report

Mr. Shaffer seconded the motion.

Public Comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye.

PAYMENT OF THE BILLS

Bills for the month from the General Fund were \$140,187.13, Liquid Fuels were \$50,543.64, Open Space were \$378,989.30, and Community Days at \$150.00.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to accept the payment of 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 accept payroll.

Mr. Shaffer seconded the motion.

Public Comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Officer Roberts read the February 2025 report.

FIRE & AMBULANCE

Jason Harhart read the February 2025 report.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Craig Hoffman discussed two bids for the Rec center field treatments. One for Hahn's Lawns at \$9,800.00 for 4 treatments, and Keystone Landscaping at \$9,900.00 for 3 treatments. Hahn's Lawn's has been used in the past and Mr. Hoffman recommends the township to use his services again.

Mr. Tirrell made a motion to approve Hahn's Lawns for the rec field treatments at \$9.800 for 4 treatments.

Mr. Shaffer seconded.

Public Comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye.

Mr. Hoffman also announced that street sweeping would begin March 24th- 28th and again, April 21st-23rd. Weather depending, they will be starting on the East side of the township.

FIRST REGIONAL COMPOST AUTHORITY (FRCA)

No Report

NAZARETH COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (COG)

No Report

RECREATION COMMISSION

Jodi Hartzell stated that there have been more requests coming in for field rentals at the rec center.

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Mr. Tirrell stated there was nothing new to report. The commission is still researching veterans from the township as well as the history of the railroad when it was in the township. Mr. Nowroski added that the permitting for the schoolhouse is good to go, and the boy scout will be moving forward with renovations in the Spring.

LAND & ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BOARD (LEPB)

Herschman Conservation Easement

This property is in both Moore Township and Bushkill Township, equaling a little over 17 acres. Bushkill Township is offering to conduct the survey and appraisal for \$5,200.00, not including attorney fees or title searches. Attorney Backenstoe will work with their attorney to draw endowments, etc.

Mr. Tirrell made a motion to approve moving forward with the Herschman Conservation Easement, not exceeding \$5,200.00, done by Bushkill Twp. not including attorney fees.

Mr. Piorkowski seconded the motion.

Public Comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye.

COMMUNITY DAYS COMMITTEE

Mr. Tirrell stated that the Tool BINGO will be held this Sunday, and there is always a need for volunteers for Community Days in August. There will also be 3 bands for Concert in the Park through Summer as of now.

ZONING AND BUILDING OFFICER

No Report

TOWNSHIP ENGINEER

Green Light Go Grant

Kevin Horvath spoke of the pre app for the Green Light Go grant through PennDOT, which would be an upgrade to Moorestown light. He has received positive feedback from PennDOT, but the pole must have been hit multiple times. The pole will need to be changed, taking the estimated cost from \$100K to \$200K, with the township covering 40% of that cost and PennDOT covering the 60%. He should hear from PennDOT by the end of April.

MS4

Specifications and plans are now complete to the point of going over them with the Public Works Director and then discussing them with the landowners on the final designs. Mr. Piorkowski asked when the Township permit needs to be renewed, Mr. Horvath stated it was renewed a few weeks ago and will be good for 5 years.

TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR

Attorney Backenstoe stated he is close to wrapping up working on the documents for the Carpentry closure. He will also be drawing up an indemnification agreement for The Enclave since they will be starting earthwork. It will include an escrow and providing insurance for protection of the Township and residents.

TOWNSHIP MANAGER

The township EMC Robert Hindley is requesting the BOS to advertise for the position for next year. He is willing to work with the new EMC to get them set up, then resign.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve advertising for the EMC position.

Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion.

Public Comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye.

Mr. Nowroski mentioned there was an error in the mailings of the taxes this year, by Berk One. Autumn the Tax Collector is working with them to get it resolved.

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES

Resolution 2025-09 – Emergency Management Plan

Mr. Tirrell made a motion to accept Resolution 2025-09- Emergency Management Plan.

Mr. Shaffer seconded the motion.

Public Comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye.

Resolution 2025-10 -Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to accept Resolution 2025-10- Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement.

Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion.

Public Comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

OPEN TO THE FLOOR

Kristy Arthofer, 2686 Buss Road. Kristy is from Arthofer Towing and Transport and was present to read a letter on their concerns regarding Resolution 2025-08 which made changes to section 2, allowing businesses within 5 miles of the township to apply to the towing rotation. They requested that the changes be reconsidered.

David Lack, 873 N. Summit Road. David was Chairman of the township when the original ordinance was adopted in 2002. He also stated his concerns on the changes made to the towing ordinance and the effect it would have, he also requested to stop or rediscuss the matter.

Nick, Hoss towing voiced his opinion on the matter. He stated he lives in Moore Township and his tow trucks and drivers are all located in the township. He has all the requirements to be able to tow.

Mr. Tirrell questioned the old ordinance having 4 tow companies at the time, and how many are left now. Arthofer is the only one who currently tows for the township. Mr. Piorkowski questioned Officer Roberts on how they use to rotate the tow companies; he replied it was a weekly rotation. Mr. Lack questioned whether there have ever been issues with the towing provider. Mr. Piorkowski stated that it would be a question for the Police chief. Officer Roberts stated two incidents where the tow company could not respond, both due to the company being involved with racing. Nick from Hoss Towing then mentioned he was only 11 in 2002 when the ordinance was enacted, he's just asking to also be part of the community as well.

Eric Resch, 651 English Road. Eric was there and spoke on behalf of KRVFC and their view on the changes. Mr. Piorkowski stated the BOS will table the topic until next month.

Jodi Hartzell spoke on behalf of the Steering Committee for the Comprehensive Park, Rec and Open Space Plan. The goals and objectives plan were sent to the BOS for review. The final docs will be sent to the BOS prior to Gilmore presenting at the BOS meeting April 1st for adoption, it's roughly 8 chapters long.

Jerry Pritchard, Lehigh Township stated how an incident occurred near his house and a private tow was requested, only when they attempted to retrieve the vehicle from the side of the mountain they failed. Arthofer's had to be called so they could retrieve it. Mr. Piorkowski stated again the matter would be tabled until next month.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:58PM

Mr. Tirrell seconded the motion.

Public Comment

None

Motion carried with all Supervisors present voting aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Yost
Township Secretary

The foregoing minutes are not intended to be verbatim, but a synopsis of the meeting.