

Penn Township Supervisor Meeting

228 Clifford Road, Selinsgrove, PA

June 17, 2026

Chairman Isaac Ramer Jr. called the 6.17.2026 Supervisor Meeting to order at 6:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present included: Supervisors: Isaac Ramer Jr., Mark Strawser, Jon Payne, Solicitor Jim Bathgate, and Township Manager Julie Hartley

Public Present: Bill Kline, Paul Long, Mike Lessman, Chris Fetter, Bruce Teats, Kim Poltonavage, Chloe Will and Colin Rice

Minutes – **On motion by Mark Strawser, seconded by Jon Payne and Board acclamation to approve the June 3, 2026 supervisor's meeting minutes.**

Persons Present to be Heard:

Colin Rice, DH&L Fire Co. – Colin reported that there were thirty-two incidents in the month of May and no fire loss. The May fundraiser did better than last year.

Kim Poltonavage, Chloe Will, Buffer Change in Woodlynn Preserve – Kim stated that her daughter, Chloe Will, purchased a home at 164 Woodlynn Drive and would like to clean out the buffer between her property and her neighbors and install a fence. She spoke to the adjoining property owner, Jerome Kreamer, and he agreed and signed a statement that he would be okay with the change to the buffer. The buffer currently contains brush, weeds and poison vines. Isaac said that the Harris Estate's residents are the ones that requested the buffer. Jim noted that waivers should have been submitted during the planning process. Jim recommended that the request be taken to the Planning Commission for recommendation and a review be done by the Township Engineer. Jim also requested that a plan be ready for the next Planning Commission on June 22nd and that the Township Engineer review to better understand what is being considered.

New Business:

Fireworks Ordinance – The current firework's ordinance was adopted in 2007 because at that time there was a need for permits to purchase fireworks that were illegal in Pennsylvania which is no longer the case. Jim said that in order to stop enforcing the ordinance a moratorium would need to be adopted and steps to repeal the ordinance would need to be started.

On motion by Jon Payne, seconded by Mark Strawser and Board acclamation to place a moratorium on Ordinance 2007-05.

On motion by Jon Payne, seconded by Mark Strawser and Board acclamation to begin the process to repeal Ordinance 2007-05.

Trail of Trees – Jon asked Mike Lessman about the trails around the land where the Middle Creek Antique Association leases on Old Colony Road. Mike shared that a new trail and bridge will be installed that connects to the Boy Scout area. He also said that the other trails are supposed to be maintained by the Snyder County Conservation District but that the Middle Creek Antique Association does help keep it mowed. Mike noted that many entities are involved in the property because it is a wetlands mitigation from the thruway project. He continued by saying that the buildings are considered historical and even if they are in poor condition they cannot be taken down. Jon suggested that the Supervisors, Mike Lessman and any other citizen that is interested arrange with Jason Winey from the Conservation District do a walk through of the trails.

Supervisor Representative for Sewage Transportation Agreement with Selinsgrove Boro – The Supervisors asked that Cravitz's office be contacted to see what time of day the meeting will be. Either Isaac or Jon will attend with Jim depending on the time of day.

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Trail of Trees – Jon Payne rescinded his requests to have Supervisors meet with the Snyder County Conservation District.

Additional Planning Commission Members – Isaac noted that he would like to get off the Board since there are two Supervisors on currently so he requested that more members be recruited.

On motion by Mark Strawser, seconded by Jon Payne, and Board acclamation to have the positions advertised on Facebook and the Township Website.

Members Needed for Ag Security Board – Jim explained that the Ag Security Area requires a Board that consists of one Supervisor, who serves as Chair, three active farmers and one township citizen. They need to have three-year staggered terms and will probably only meet once a year until it is time to renew the ag security areas in 2032.

On motion by Jon Payne, seconded by Isaac Ramer Jr. and Board acclamation to appoint Mark Strawser as the Supervisor Representative and advertise the openings on Facebook and the Township Website.

Executive Session - **An executive session was called at 7:00 pm to discuss legal matters and the meeting was called back to order at 7:12 pm.**

Solar Farm Deficiencies – The Board discussed that the citizens that have noticed deficiencies at the Solar Farm should submit them in writing so that the Township Engineer, Township Manager and the Snyder County Conservation, if needed, could review and confirm the deficiencies.

On motion by Mark Strawser, seconded by Isaac Ramer Jr., and Board acclamation to have the Township Engineer, Manager and the Erosion Control Representative from the Snyder Co. Conservation review the deficiencies once the written request is received.

Jim then explained that an extension of the letter of credit was received by Lightsource BP and needs signed by the Chairman.

On motion by Mark Strawser, seconded by Isaac Ramer Jr., and Board acclamation to have the Chairman sign the letter of credit from Lightsource BP for the solar project on Clifford and Sassafras.

Old Business:

Wetland Preservation Area Update – Julie said that the Department of General Services has contacted her and that notices were sent to all the state agencies to see which one has jurisdiction over the property. Senator Culver and Representative Rowe's offices have been informed of the status.

FYI:

- PTMA May 7th Meeting Minutes & June 4th Agenda
- ACH Payroll Report 6.11.26
- Check Register 6.3.26 to 6.17.26

Land/Subdivision:

- Sissy Boy Trucking Land Dev., filed 6.23.25, due 8.11.26
- PTMA Well Site Subdivision/Land Development, filed 9.22.25, due 9.15.26
- ESCRA Land Dev., filed 2.27.26, due 7.27.26
- Ag Security Area, due February, 2032

Public Comment: None

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Approval of Accounts Payable (State and General Funds)- On Motion by Jon Payne, seconded by Mark Strawser, and Board acclamation, to pay bills.

Adjournment - On motion by Mark Strawser, seconded by Jon Payne, and Board acclamation the June 17, 2026 Supervisor's Meeting was adjourned at 7:32 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie Hartley
Manager