

Penn Township Supervisor Meeting

228 Clifford Road, Selinsgrove, PA

September 16, 2026

Vice Chairman Mark Strawser called the 9.16.2026 Supervisor Meeting to order at 6:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Excused: Isaac Ramer Jr.

Public Present: Bill Kline, Paul Long, Brian Hipple, Mike Master, Shannon Rudy and Chris Fetter

Minutes – On motion by Jon Payne, seconded by Mark Strawser and Board acclamation to approve the September 2, 2026 supervisor's meeting minutes.

Persons Present to be Heard:

Mary Sullivan, Herman School Preservation – Mary noted that the Herman School house is one hundred and eighty-five years old and the Herman sisters formed the museum during the 1960s. She continued that the township used to contribute funds in the past for the preservation of the schoolhouse. She said the schoolhouse museum is open to the public on Sundays in the summer from 1-4 pm. Donations haven't been as good as other years and they could now use financial assistance from the township. They put a new roof on the schoolhouse this year, give two \$300 scholarships each year and have insurance and other costs. Jon told Mary that the township will soon be discussing their budget and will decide at that time about how much to support the Herman schoolhouse.

Shannon Rudy, CDBG Project – Shannon said she has two possible projects for the Board to consider. They are an owner-occupied sidewalk repair or a braille and hearing-impaired station for Everyone's Playground. The two projects were discussed and the Board asked if parking lot #2 that accesses Everyone's Playground could be paved to allow better ADA access. Shannon will check on the paving of parking lot #2.

On motion by Jon Payne, seconded by Mark Strawser and Board acclamation to adopt the resolution for paving parking lot #2 to make Everyone's Playground more ADA accessible.

Brian Hipple, DH&L Ambulance – Brian reported that they had a total of 1,661 calls from January to August of this year with Penn Township being 571 with only 3 calls missed. Ambulance subscriptions have been mailed out and all the units are in service. The Susquehanna University EMS Club is active and helping with calls on or near the campus. They will be having a booth at the Selinsgrove Street Fair serving breakfast sandwiches and burgers. Staffing has been an issue this year but new hires are being prepared.

New Business:

Proposed 2027 Meeting Dates – On motion by Jon Payne, seconded by Mark Strawser and Board acclamation to table the 2027 proposed meeting dates until the October 6th meeting.

Lycoming County Landfill Recycling Service Addendum Agreement – Discussion was held regarding the agreement and the increase from \$150 to \$175 per pull. Jon suggested that the costs of the new rates be calculated to see if the fees for access should be increased. Jim noted that the agreement could be tabled until a cost analysis is completed.

Mark Biaska, Appoint to ESRRA, Term ending 12/27 – On motion by Jon Payne, seconded by Mark Strawser and Board acclamation to table the appointment of Mark Biaszka to the ESRRA until the October 6th meeting.

Mark Biaska, ESCRA Appointment Consideration, Term ending 12/29 – On motion by Jon Payne, seconded by Mark Strawser and Board acclamation to table the appointment of Mark Biaszka to ESCRA until the October 6th meeting.

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Resignation of Brett Ressler, Alternate ESRRRA Member – On motion by Jon Payne, seconded by Mark Strawser and Board acclamation to accept the resignation of Brett Ressler as an Alternate member of ESRRRA.

Attendees for County Convention, Oct. 7th at 6:30 pm – A count of who is attending will need to be sent in. Mark and Jon said they will attend.

5K Pumkin Dash on S. Front St. on Oct. 24th – On motion by Mark Strawser, seconded by Jon Payne and Board acclamation to allow the Selinsgrove Area Community Swimming Pool 5K on S. Front Street if a certificate of insurance is given naming the township as insured.

Old Business: None

Solicitor Jim Bathgate – Jim informed the Board that he sent an email to Charles Axtman saying that no more extension will be granted for Sissy Boy Trucking unless he can show good cause.

ESCRA Land Development – On motion by Jon Payne, seconded by Mark Strawser and Board acclamation to deny the ESCRA Land Development plan if an extension letter is not received by October 6, 2026.

FYI:

- PTMA Sept. 3rd Agenda & Aug. 6th Minutes
- PTMA 2027 Meeting Schedule
- ACH Payroll Report 9.17.26

Land/Subdivision:

- Sissy Boy Trucking Land Dev., filed 6.23.25, due 10.9.26
- PTMA Well Site Subdivision/Land Development, filed 9.22.25, due 12.14.26
- ESCRA Land Dev., filed 2.27.26, due 10.6.26
- Ag Security Area, due February, 2032

Public Comment:

Bill Kline – Bill asked about the progress of the Veteran's Memorial. Julie answered that the weeds were sprayed this week and after die off the area will be dethatched and reseeded.

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 Jon Payne, seconded by Mark Strawser, and Board acclamation the September 16, 2026 Supervisor's Meeting was adjourned at 6:49 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie Hartley
Manager