Brecknock Township Board of Supervisors
Minutes of Meeting – October 14 2026

The Regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors was held on October 14, 2026 at the Brecknock Township Building, 889 Alleghenyville Road, Mohnton, PA 19540. Chairman Jeff Fiant called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. The attendees were Chairman Jeff Fiant and Vice-chair Ron McClure. Supervisor Jason Coyle was absent. Also in attendance were Solicitor Michelle Mayfield, Township Engineer John Weber, Chief of Police Erik Grunzig, Township Treasurer Sheila McCune and Township Administrator Paula Cullen. Approximately twenty-two (22) members of the public were also present.

1. **Call to Order –**
   The Pledge of Allegiance was recited followed by Roll Call.
   Roll Call

Chairman Jeff Fiant –	Present
Vice-Chairman Ron McClure -	Present
Supervisor Jason Coyle -	Absent

2. **Public Comment on Agenda Items**
   None
3. **Action on Minutes of September 01, 2026, Regular Meeting**
   Motion to approve the Minutes of the September 01, 2026, meeting as written.
   Motioned by Supervisor McClure. Seconded by Chairman Fiant.
   YES - Fiant, McClure ABSENT- Coyle **Motion passed**.
4. **Action on October 14, 2026 Treasurer's Report**
   Motion to approve the October 14, 2026 Treasurer's Report and pay the bills.
   Motioned by Supervisor McClure. Seconded by Chairman Fiant.
   YES - Fiant, McClure ABSENT- Coyle **Motion passed**.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **Ag Security Application-Gockley Property** –
   Motion to ratify acceptance of the Gockley Ag Security application. Township Engineer confirmed that the application involves three (3) parcels.
   Motioned by Supervisor McClure. Seconded by Chairman Fiant.
   YES – Fiant, McClure ABSENT – Coyle **Motion passed**.
   This now proceeds to the AG Sec Advisory and Planning Commission meetings on October 26, 2026.
2. **5171 Diehl Road, Zoning Hearing Board Application**
   Engineer Weber informed the Board that they were waiting for clarification of an Ordinance variation section number, from the applicant.
3. **JDJ Rentals – Poultry Barn – Waiver Requested**
   Engineer Weber recounted that the original plan involved pavers but that the applicant's request to substitute with 1" stone was acceptable and recommended that the waiver be granted.
   Motion to approve waiver request to use 1" stone in place of pavers for access lane.
   Motioned by Chairman Fiant. Seconded by Supervisor McClure.
   YES – Fiant, McClure ABSENT – Coyle **Motion passed**
4. **1108 Maple Grove Road**
   Signed and notarized LD and Stormwater Agreements have been received. Receipt of Financial Security required to proceed with release of plans.
5. **Other Unfinished Business**
   None.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Budget Dates –**
   First of three 2027 Budget meetings occurred on October 14 at 6:00pm. The other two are scheduled for October 29 and November 19 at 6:00pm
2. **December 2026 End-of-Year Meeting –** Scheduled for December 22nd at 7:00pm.
3. **Newsletter – reviewed for publication**
   Motion to approve the Fall/Winter 2026/2027 Newsletter for publication.
   Motioned by Supervisor McClure. Seconded by Chairman Fiant.
   YES – Fiant, McClure ABSENT - Coyle **Motion passed.**
4. **Review / approval of 2027 Meeting Schedule -**
   Motion to approve 2027 Meeting Schedule for adoption and advertising.
   Motioned by Chairman Fiant. Seconded by Supervisor McClure. YES
   YES– Fiant, McClure ABSENT – Coyle **Motion passed.**
5. **290 Blimline Road – Well Waiver**
   Following the report from Township Engineer and review by Township Solicitor, a recommendation was made to approve the Well Waiver application that has been signed and notarized by the applicants.
   Motion to approve Well Waiver for 290 Blimline Road due to lot size.
   Motioned by Supervisor McClure. Seconded by Chairman Fiant.
   YES – Fiant, McClure ABSENT – Coyle **Motion passed.**
6. **Rec. Board -Eagle Scout Project – Cole Kretnisky**
   Motion to allow Cole Kretnisky and Troop 241 to execute his Eagle Scout project of redesigning and improving the bridge at Buxton Conservancy at no cost to the Township.
   Motioned by Chairman Fiant. Seconded by Supervisor McClure.
   YES – Fiant, McClure ABSENT – Coyle **Motion passed.**
7. **Rec Board -PTO– Playground Project**
   Representatives of Brecknock Elementary Berks PTO provided the Board with a presentation of their intent to raise funding in the approximate amount of $325,000.00 to build a new playground at the school. They requested monetary and administrative assistance for the application of grants from the Township, as the playground will be available to residents when School is not in session. The Recreation Board proposed a donation of $15,000 from the Recreation Checking Account in the absence of a General Fund donation . Disbursement to occur only at time of placement of order.
   Motion to approve a $15,000.00 donation from the Recreation Board Checking Account to the Brecknock Elementary PTO Playground fundraiser only to be disbursed at time the order is placed and in addition to allow Township staff to help with administration work and grants.
   Motioned by Supervisor McClure. Seconded by Chairman Fiant.
   YES – Fiant, McClure ABSENT – Coyle **Motion passed.**
8. **Recreation Board Budget Allocation for 2027 Events**
   Lisa Peterson relayed the Recreation Board's intended use of funds for 2027 events, following their September 08, 2026 meeting; $1,000 for National Night Out; $100 for a joint event with PA Highlands and Horse-Shoe Trail groups, potentially a scavenger hunt, and $400 for miscellaneous expenses.
9. **Crime Alert Berks County Donation Request–**
   Motion to approve a donation of $500 to Crime Alert Berks County, consistent with 2025 donation.
   Motioned by Supervisor McClure. Seconded by Chairman Fiant.
   YES – Fiant, McClure ABSENT – Coyle **Motion passed.**
10. **Trick / Trunk or Treat Date** –
    For information purposes only – multiple events are happening throughout the community.
11. **Donation from Resident-**
    Donation of $100 was received in recognition of help rescuing an animal.

12. **EMC Report** – Supervisor McClure recounted the Police and Fire Company monthly reports. He is having trouble getting monthly reports from Tower Direct. The latest information shows that they have responded to 232 calls within the Township. Brecknock Township Fire Chief, Joel Lutz showed those in attendance, a drone that Brecknock Township Fire Company have donated to Brecknock Township for use by both the Brecknock Township Police Department and Brecknock Township Fire Company. Members are currently undergoing pilot training for its' operation. It is anticipated to be used in searches, fire callouts – particularly for roofs, and PR events.
13. **Other New Business**
    Chairman Fiant asked the audience if they had any items for the good of the group. Anna May Peterson, Alleghenyville Road, expressed her concern for a "STOP sign where the Diebolt Landscaping Billboard is situated at Alleghenyville Road and Maple Grove Road. Engineer Weber will review for sight distance as the junction is unlikely to meet the amount required for a vehicle count warrant. If landscaping contributes to the problem that will be the first issue to be addressed. An unannounced resident inquired about a curfew with Maple Grove Racetrack. Chairman Fiant replied that he has been in contact with the current owner and discussed several items of concern. He is giving them some time to settle in and then the matters will be addressed.
14. **Adjournment**
    Motion to Adjourn meeting at 7:55pm
    Motioned by Chairman Fiant. Seconded by Supervisor McClure.
    YES – Fiant, McClure ABSENT – Coyle **Motion passed.**

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Cullen
Administrator