

Brecknock Township Board of Supervisors
Minutes of Meeting – July 7, 2026

Call to Order: The regular monthly meeting of the Brecknock Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 PM at the Township Building, by Chairman Jeff Fiant with members Ron McClure and Jason Coyle present. Also present were Elizabeth Magovern, Township Solicitor, John Weber, Township Engineer, Sheila McCune, Secretary/Treasurer, Erik Grunzig, Police Chief, Joel Lutz, Fire Chief, as well as Kyle Schlouch, Captain, and approximately thirty to forty members of the public. The call to order was followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Public Comment Period on Agenda Items: None

Minutes: The Board of Supervisors meeting minutes for June 4th, 2026, were unanimously approved as written on **motion** by Ron McClure, seconded by Jason Coyle.

Treasurer's Report: A correction was made to the Treasurer's report approved by the board on May 6th, 2026, and the revised May 6th and June 4th, 2026, treasury reports were provided for board review. The revised Treasurer's report dated May 6th, 2026, was unanimously approved on a **motion** by Ron McClure seconded by Jason Coyle. The revised Treasurer's report dated June 4th, 2026, was unanimously approved on a **motion** by Ron McClure seconded by Jason Coyle. The Treasurer's report dated July 7th, 2026, and payment of all bills and payrolls were unanimously approved on a **motion** by Ron McClure seconded by Jason Coyle.

Unfinished Business:

Lamar Gockley, Land Preservation of 92-acre property: Township Engineer, John Weber, confirmed that the letter had been sent to the properties that would be impacted by the potential zoning change. Engineer Weber had clarified at the June 4th, 2026, BOS meeting that the property owner was requesting an additional parcel #34437302999517 be added to the original request for rezoning as to allow for eligibility in the Township's Ag. Security program. The board permitted the addition of the parcel to the original request which was unanimously approved, on a **motion** by Jason Coyle and seconded by Ron McClure. The board directed the Solicitor and Engineer to collaborate on changing the zoning to allow the requested properties to be part of the Ag Security. The Engineer and Solicitor reviewed the zoning and sent a letter to the surrounding properties to allow the owners an opportunity to attend the July 7th, 2026, meeting to weigh in on the proposed zoning change being presented to the board. Several residents were not in favor, at which time Chairman Fiant asked if those properties could be excluded from the zoning change and both the Solicitor and Engineer said, yes.

After some discussion, the board approved the rezoning to only include four properties, Gockley – 2, Spitler – 1, and Enink – 1, which was unanimously approved, on a **motion** by Jason Coyle and seconded by Ron McClure.

5171 Diehl Rd: Engineer Weber gave an update regarding the zoning hearing board application received and explained it had been returned to the applicant for additional information.

Other Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Crime Alert Berks County: The Township has made an annual donation for many years and last year the contribution was \$500. Ron McClure made a **motion** to donate \$500, seconded by Jason Coyle, and the **motion** passed unanimously.

389 Alleghenyville Road: Engineer Weber conveyed that the Mennonite Church submitted a zoning hearing board application to add a school to the existing property which he explained does require a special exception as noted on the application, however, because there is already an existing building it would be considered a second use which requires a variance. The applicant was contacted to amend their application to include the variance for the second use and resubmit. Solicitor Magovern had a conversation with the applicant's attorney regarding the required amendment to their application.

Other New Business:

Resident complaint about the stones not being swept on Norman Drive. Chairman Fiant said he would discuss it with the Road Master.

Resident on Kremp Road requested the Township clean up paving debris on her property. Chairman Fiant said he would also discuss this issue with the Road Master.

EMC Reports: Ron McClure presented the information on the EMC Reports.

Adjournment: **Motion** made by Jason Coyle, seconded by Ron McClure, and was unanimously approved, to adjourn the meeting at 7:40.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila McCune
Secretary Treasurer