Brecknock Township Board of Supervisors Meeting August 12, 2025

The regular meeting of the Brecknock Township Board of Supervisors, Lancaster County that was scheduled for August 12, 2025 was held at the Brecknock Township Building, 1026 Dry Tavern Road, Fivepointville. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jerry Long at 7:00 p.m.

At this time the Pledge of Allegiance took place.

Present were Jerry Long, David Leinbach, Andrew Baum & Carol Martin.

Mr. Reinert was present as Township Engineer. Elizabeth Magovern was absent.

Invocation was provided by Mr. Travis Sauder from Gehman Mennonite Church.

Public Comment Session – NONE

Guests – Todd Vaughn from David Miller Assoc. was present on behalf of the applicant Grande Land Development at 195 Swartzville Rd. The project, which is 121 Homes, has a small piece of land that crossed the township line from East Cocalico Twp. into Brecknock Twp. There are no improvements proposed in Brecknock, so the request tonight is for a deferral of plan review process to East Cocalico Twp. Motion was made by Baum and seconded by Leinbach to grant the deferral to East Cocalico Twp. All in favor, motion approved.

The minutes of the July 8, 2025 Board of Supervisors regular meeting was reviewed. A motion was made by Baum and seconded by Leinbach to approve the minutes as presented. All in favor, motion approved.

A motion was made by Leinbach seconded by Baum to approve the bills as presented. All in favor, motion was approved.

Engineers Report – Mike Reinert reviewed his engineering report dated August 6, 2025. The following items require action by the Board:

- 1. **195 Swartzville Road Subdivision** Received request to waive/defer plan review to East Cocalico Township.
- 2. **Aaron Hoover Land Development** Issued financial security release recommendation letter dated July 16, 2025 in the amount of \$44,742.50.
- 3. **Glenn Hoover SWM** Received memorandum of understanding and stormwater management agreement for action by the Board. Issued financial security recommendation letter dated July 29, 2025 in the amount of \$5,170.00.
- 4. **Eric Becker SWM** Issued financial security recommendation letter dated July 14, 2025 in the amount of \$36,236.75. SWMA was submitted for approval.
- 5. **Syncarpha Solar Farm Land Development** Issued financial security recommendation letter dated July 30, 2025 in the amount of \$1,067,665.73.

A motion was made by Baum, seconded by Leinbach to approve the items as recommended by the Township Engineer 2-5 (1 taken care of during guest of the meeting). All in favor, motion approved.

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Roadmasters Report – At this time Andy reviewed the flooding report he prepared for the Board. The storm brought heaving rain 2.5-3.5" in 20-30 minutes. He discussed in detail a number of areas in which we received several complaints about. One of those areas is a section of pipe at 38 Fairway Drive which has deteriorated beyond repair now. 1/3 of the pipe is in the Township ROW and the other 2/3 would be on private property. After discussion Andy will come up with a cost to make this repair, talk with the homeowner regarding they would pay for 2/3 of the work. It was also discussed that we would ask Liz to draft a simple agreement agreeing to this arrangement.

Levi Hoover had nothing to add for the zoning report.

A motion was made by Leinbach and seconded by Baum to accept the Roadmaster, Engineer, SEO & Zoning reports as presented. All in favor, motion approved.

PARK & RECREATION nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS

PennDOT Winter Maintenance Services agreement 5-year renewal. The contract renewal would start in the winter of 2025, continuing for one year periods for a total of 5-years. A motion was made by Baum and seconded by Leinbach to renew the contract/agreement with PennDOT for 5 years. All in favor, motion approved.

At this time Jerry expressed his disappointment with our state representative Dave Zimmerman for not informing the township of a proposed bill (#1425). This bill passed the house but has not gone before the senate yet. This bill if passed would eliminate allowing the township to collect the 2% amusement tax from the campgrounds in the township. Until such time all campgrounds must continue to pay the 2% amusement tax.

A motion was made by Long and seconded by Leinbach to authorize Liz to send letters to any campground that is delinquent in paying for and filing their amusement tax reports. All in favor, motion approved.

Public Comment Session – Bill McNabb from the Meadows Phase 3 was present to ask the Board to look and keep an eye on the possibility that the SW facilities in his development are not going to handle future storms. He feels his yard is graded incorrectly and that is why he had gotten a lot of water in his basement in the last storm through his Belco doors. The roadmaster and board agreed to keep an eye on it.

A motion was made by Leinbach and seconded by Baum to adjourn at 8:05 pm. All in favor, motion approved.

Respectfully Submitted, Michael L. Reinert, P.E. Township Engineer