

December 1, 2025  
ATKINSON MILLS, PA

On November 3, 2025, The Wayne Township Board of Supervisors met for their regular monthly meeting at 7:00 P.M. The meeting was held at the Country Crossroads Community Center, 3055 Ferguson Valley Road, McVeytown, PA. Members of the Board present were Ted Reed, Chuck Miles and Don Gearhart. In attendance representing Wayne Township were; Jeff Hoover, Recreation Advisory Board Chairman. Sixteen residents were also present.

Chairman Ted Reed called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge Allegiance to the Flag.

Don made the motion to approve the minutes; Chuck seconded the motion; all in favor, motion carried.

Ted opened the floor for public comment on the agenda and reminded those present that each speaker will have five minutes to comment and must be a resident or tax payer in Wayne Township.

Ken Smith, resident, commented that he did a survey of 11 townships in Mifflin and gave the results of his survey and asked the Supervisors to give up Health Insurance benefits in the 2026 budget.

Chuck made the motion to advertise the 2026 Budget; Don seconded the motion; all in favor, motion carried.

Don made the motion to renew the Secretary/Treasurers bond at \$750,000 for \$1426; Chuck seconded the motion; all in favor, motion carried. [Note: The \$1426 is the amount for \$1,000,000 of coverage].

Chuck made the motion to pass Resolution 2025-12 authorizing the Township to apply for a LSA Grant for \$290,500 to repair and repave Irving Ridge Road; Don seconded the motion; all in favor, motion carried.

Chuck made the motion to pass Resolution 2025-13 requiring all Supervisors to go on Medicare at the age of Sixty-five rather than be on the Townships Employee Health Insurance policy. Medicare supplements will be paid for by the Township in place of the Employees Health Insurance; Don seconded the motion; all in favor, motion carried.

Don made the motion for the Township to buy one solar outside light to see if it works with the possibility of eliminating the Penelec outside light and the accompanying light bill; Chuck seconded the motion; all in favor, motion carried.

Neither Randy Tressler nor Jaimie Hammond showed up for the meeting even though they asked to be on the agenda.

There were no Water Department updates or Grant updates except the DCED LSA Grant committee is supposed to meet on 11/18 to pick the grants to be awarded and hopefully the Community Center remodel will be chosen for a grant.

Jeff Hoover, Recreation Advisory Board Chairman, gave the Recreation Board update and thanked everyone for making the Trunk or Treat event a success. The participation had more than doubled from the previous year and everyone enjoyed themselves. Jeff gave an update on the Young at Heart Group that meets on Tuesdays at the Center.

Ted introduced the second comment period by reemphasizing that this comment period is for general comment, each speaker has five minutes and the speaker must be either a resident or tax payer of Wayne Township.

Dwight Aurand, resident, was first to comment that Ted denied his request to be on the agenda. Ted denied the accusation. Ted explained that the reason Dwight wanted to be on the agenda was to discuss what Don had discussed with other Supervisors concerning the On-Lot Sewage Ordinance. Ted said he told Dwight that Don had not talked to him about the ordinance and that he and Dwight had come to an agreement there was no sense in Dwight addressing what was discussed since no discussion took place. Dwight then asked what brought on the amendment to the sewage ordinance? Discussion

ensued about the ordinance and Dwight said he would like the ordinance be rescinded so that in the future if a cheaper option other than an SEO officer doing the inspections becomes an option, the Township could exercise that option.

Ken Smith, resident, commented from the podium next and wanted the Board to know that he is not the one advocating for people to come to the meetings and be disruptive. He also commented to the Board that he is not for self-inspections of septic systems.

Dan Walker, resident, commented next from the podium and wanted to know, "how it is legal for someone not working for the Township ..... how can you do Township work?" Dan asked if there is any liability in doing that? Dan's concern was that if someone volunteers to replace road signs, they might be a liability if they get hit or the vehicle they are driving at the time gets into an accident. Ted explained that the Townships insurance covers volunteers, but he would check with the insurance company and at the next meeting they would make Jeff Hoover a temporary employee if need be.

The next person to comment from the podium was LaVonda Runk, resident. Lavonda commented on the letter she received concerning the trees on her property that the Township asked to be removed because they are a potential hazard. Lavonda stated they she got an estimate for the cost of removal and also asked if anyone else ever got a letter for tree removal. Ted explained that her letter was the first one that he ever sent out and that the Township usually asks the resident in person to remove hazardous trees. Ted explained that because these trees were out of the Township's right of way, PSATS advised that the property owner to be notified by letter about the hazard therefore relieving the Township of liability since these trees were brought to their attention by complaints from other residents.

Rose Walker, resident, commented next from the podium and asked why the live streams of the meetings were being deleted? Chuck explained that Facebook was deleting them after thirty days. Chuck further explained that is the reasoning behind his push to get an You Tube account set up so that all live streams can be saved and viewed at anyone's discretion. Rose then asked, "is this building listed as a community center?" and if it's not, why do some who want it have to pay and others do not? Rose also asked why there was a late fee on 6/4 for the Township credit card? Ted said he would call her when he found out the answer for the late fee. It was also explained by Chuck and James McClure that the Young at Heart group that meets once a week is part of the Recreation Board and is a Township sponsored function.

Chuck made the motion to pay the bills; Don seconded the motion; all in favor, motion carried.

Chuck made the motion to adjourn the meeting; Don seconded the motion; all in favor, motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:41 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Theodore M. Reed Secretary