



## **Millcreek Township Board of Supervisors Minutes – June 11, 2025**

### **Opening of meeting- 7:00 PM**

**Public Comment** – Lori and Doug Wilkerson of 87 S Mountain Road were present to speak on opposition of a noise ordinance. They talked about their children and the riding of dirt bikes on their personal property. They thanked Chief Hostetter for helping to work out an agreement for everyone involved.

### **Reports of Organizations:**

- \*Millcreek Township Planning Commission minutes-received
- \*Karen Brown-Commonwealth Code Monthly Report-received
- \*Newmanstown Recreation Board Minutes-received
- \*Greater Lebanon Refuse-received
- \*Newmanstown Water Authority minutes-received
- \*MRJA minutes-received
- \*Western Berks Ambulance Monthly Report-received
- \*Police Activity report-received
- \*Road Foreman Report-received

**Minutes:** **A Motion by Weidman to approve the minutes as printed. DeSantis seconded, all aye motion carries.**

**SOLICITOR:** The Solicitor discussed a letter in support of Richland Borough's Petition for Declaratory Order (Water Service). Richland Borough filed a petition for declaratory order with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, seeking to have the PUC conclude that the provisions of water service by the Borough of Richland to a small group of 28 customers who reside in Millcreek Township does not constitute the provision of public utility service under the PA Public Utility Code. The Solicitor was contacted by Richland Borough Solicitor Andrew George, who asked if the township would be willing to submit a letter of support to the PUC of Richland Borough's petition. Borough Council President Kelly Bricker from Richland Borough was present to answer any questions. The Solicitor requested The Board make a motion authorizing the sending of a letter that he would sign setting forth the township support of Richland borough's petition for Declaratory Order. **Motion made by Weidman that we authorize the solicitor to complete the letter on the Richland Borough's petition for declaratory order as outlined. Seconded by Moyer, all aye motion carries.**

**Opening of Bids 7:15 PM** **Bids were opened for the Double Bituminous Seal Coat for the following roads:** South Mountain Rd., Texter Mountain Rd., East Alumni Ave. and East Bethany Rd. For a total of 29,955 SY. Three bids were received. Martin Paving Inc, Midland Asphalt Material Inc. and Russel Standard Corporation.

**Martin Paving inc.** For road projects 1,2,4 furnish and place a double bituminous seal coat in accordance to Pub. 447. using RS-2PM or CRS-2PM, both layers using #8 Aggregate meeting 1.0% wash.

For Project 3, furnish and place a double bituminous seal coat in accordance to Pub. 447 using RS-2PM or CRS-2PM, first layer using #8 Aggregate meeting 1.0% wash second lift using 1/4-inch aggregate.

UNIT PRICE -\$3.66 TOTAL PRICE – 109,635.30

**Midland Asphalt Material inc.** For road projects 1,2,4 furnish and place a double bituminous seal coat in accordance to Pub. 447. using RS-2PM or CRS-2PM, both layers using #8 Aggregate meeting 1.0% wash.

For Project 3, furnish and place a double bituminous seal coat in accordance to Pub. 447 using RS-2PM or CRS-2PM, first layer using #8 Aggregate meeting 1.0% wash second lift using 1/4-inch aggregate.

UNIT PRICE -\$4.350 TOTAL PRICE – 130,304.25

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**Russell Standard Corporation** For road projects 1,2,4 furnish and place a double bituminous seal coat in accordance to Pub. 447. using RS-2PM or CRS-2PM, both layers using #8 Aggregate meeting 1.0% wash.

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UNIT PRICE -\$4.130 TOTAL PRICE – 123,714.15

**Moyer made a motion based off these bids for the work on four different roads, that we accept the bid from Martin Paving for the entire job at a cost of \$109,635.30. Weidman Seconded all aye, motion carries.**

Solicitor Continued.

Solicitor spoke on the revised Engine Retarder Device Ordinance. A notice of intention to adopt the Engine Retarding Device Ordinance was published in the Lebanon Daily News on May 29 2025. As a reminder, this proposed ordinance is for establishing restrictions on the usage of engine-retarding devices on Main Street, which is State Route 419, from the East Main Street starting point of the Norfolk Southern Railroad to the West Main Street intersection with Fort Zellers Road.

This restriction shall be for traffic traveling in either direction, north or southbound, on 419, which is Main Street in Newmanstown. And this ordinance also specifically repeals the old ordinance 021225A, as it is more specific and it was recommended by the Chief. The solicitor asked for a motion from the Board to adopt proposed Ordinance Number 061125 regarding the restrictions on engine-retarding devices.

**Weidman made a motion to adopt ordinance 061125, revised Engine-Retarding Device Ordinance. Second by DeSantis. All aye, motion carries.**

**Action –**

***Action was taken to appoint the Rec employees for the Summer Rec Program.*** We had three volunteers that said they would do it. Kiri Arndt, Autumn Gettle, and Amora Cook. The Summer Rec program will run from June 23rd to August 3rd. at White Swan Park, Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. **DeSantis made a motion to appoint Kiri Arndt, Autumn Gettle, and Amora Cook for the summer Rec Playground Program. Seconded by Weidman, all aye motion carries.**

***Action was taken to appoint the Property Maintenance Board of Appeals.*** The term will be three years, two years, one year and an alternate. We had Scott Swigert, Bill Hogeland, Brenda Anderson, and Richard DeLong volunteer. Brenda Anderson, and Richard DeLong are siblings, so since it would be a conflict of interest, The Board is looking for another volunteer to fill the alternate position. The Property Maintenance Board of Appeals will only meet on an as needed basis. **Weidman made a motion to appoint the following members: Scott Swigert, Bill Hogeland, and Brenda Anderson to the Property Maintenance Board of Appeals. The terms will be three years, two years, and one year. Moyer seconded, all aye Motion carries.**

***Action was taken to approve the following requests from our Code Enforcement Officer Karen Brown.*** Both of these properties were issued letters requesting action be taken and have not complied.

**256-258 East Main**-Approval requested to have Township cut grass/weeds, issue a Non-Traffic Citation

**347 West Main**-Approval requested to issue a Non-Traffic Citation

**Weidman made a motion that we allow our code enforcement officer Karen Brown approval to issue a non-traffic citation to the to the district magistrate and begin prosecution of the violations according to section 109.3 by the Property Maintenance Code. Seconded by DeSantis, all aye motion carries.**

### Unfinished Business

***Newburg Village Walking Path-Approve Updated Plan.*** Supervisor DeSantis accompanied Steckbeck Engineering in walking the updated Walking Path plan. Adjustments were made regarding distances from property lines and placement of the path based on the flow of the drainage ditch. The Path will stay on top of the berm all the way around the drain field. Adjustments were also made to be ADA compliant. Pillars will be placed at the ends of the path so there is no driving on the path. Supervisor DeSantis stated that this is the final drawing for the Path. **A motion was made by Weidman to approve the updated plans as reflected in the Steckbeck updated drawing. Second by Moyer, all aye, motion carries.** Work will begin in August.

### Fire Tax and Incentive Program

DeSantis reported that the program is in the Senate and will go through, no new updates. He gave information regarding program and how it will help build for the future of the Fire Company. This tax would be listed on the Millcreek Tax bill along with the streetlights and hydrant taxes. The incentive program is a tax rebate for the First Responders. They would need to qualify based on a point system and as long as they meet the criteria they are eligible to receive the rebate.

### New Business

**Connie Clark of Meadow Drive requested to partially block part of the street for a neighborhood block party on Oct 18, 2025.** Supervisors discussed the closure. The Street could not be completely blocked off, but cones or a sign could be put up as long as it is easily and quickly moved if necessary. Emergency vehicles would need to get through, along with other neighbors not participating. **Motion made by Weidman that we allow Connie Clark, if she's to have a party, we could have a partial road closure for her block party on October 18th, as long as she complies with the regulations. Seconded by DeSantis. All aye, motion carries.**

**Newmanstown Fire Police support for Womelsdorf Car Show, June 15th, 2025. A motion was made by Weidman that we allow the Newmanstown Fire Police to participate in the support for the Womelsdorf Car Show on June 15, 2025. Seconded by Moyer. All aye, motion carries**

### EMC Coordinator requesting materials for our supported regional trailer

*\*Additional item not listed on the agenda- opened up to public comment, no comments or questions.*

EMC Coordinator John Sileski requested to purchase supplies that were in the EMA budget. These supplies will be for training purposes and for emergency response use during large incidents. **DeSantis made a motion for the approved ICS 219 T-Cards and T-Card Racks and Hazmat Train Development Tabletop Exercise Program for EMA. Seconded by Moyer, all aye, motion carries.**

### Correspondence Received -Reviewed

**Road Master/foreman Report** – Update given on Salt Shed Progress. Updates on roadside mowing, and road maintenance.

**Bills/Treasurer's Report** – **Motion by weidman to accept the Treasurer's Report and pay the bills as needed. Second by Moyer, all aye, motion carries.**

**Adjournment-** **Motion by Weidman to adjourn at 7:46pm, Second by Desantis, all aye, motion carries.**

WITNESS:

Lauren Ritchie, Sec./Treas \_\_\_\_\_ Eric J. Weidman, Chairman \_\_\_\_\_