

**West Penn Township Board of Supervisors  
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**Monday, April 6, 2026**

**Present at the Meeting**

Anthony Prudenti – Chair  
Tom Ackerman - Supervisor  
Kyle Kester – Vice Chair  
Jeremy Frable - Road Master

Karen Wittig – Treasurer  
Katie Orlick – Secretary  
Paul Datte – Solicitor

**I. General**

**A. Open Regular Meeting**

Chairman opened the regular meeting @ 6:04PM with the Pledge of Allegiance & Introductions.

**B. Public Comment on Agenda Items Only – NONE**

**C. Review of the Minutes – March 2<sup>nd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

Chairman called for a motion to accept the March 2<sup>nd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026 minutes. Kyle Kester made the motion to accept the minutes for March 2<sup>nd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026. Tom Ackerman seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion was carried. 3-0

**D. Treasurer’s Report – March 2026 –** Chairman called for a motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report for March 2026. Tom Ackerman made the motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report for March 2026. Kyle Kester seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion was carried. 3-0

**E. Approval of Bills – March 2026**

Chairman called for a motion to approve & pay the bills for March 2026. Tom Ackerman made the motion to approve and pay the bills for March 2026. Kyle Kester seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion was carried. 3-0

**F. Solicitor’s Report – March 2026**

1. Attorney Datte said before the Board of Supervisors is the prepared Ordinance #1 of 2026, the False Alarm Ordinance. This Ordinance was revised to increase the fines & penalties of False Alarms. It was properly advertised and posted and is now ready for the Board to act on it. Chairman called for a motion to accept Ordinance #1 of 2026 False Alarm Ordinance. Tom Ackerman made the motion for Ordinance #1 of 2026. Kyle Kester seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion was carried. 3-0

2. Data Center Ordinance – Attorney Datte feels we are in a position to start the process of adopting the draft Data Center Ordinance. However, he said that we could do a Solar Ordinance at the same time. The Board agreed to do those Ordinances separately. Attorney Datte said the process would be for the Board to authorize Attorney Datte to advertise for a public hearing. We would provide a copy of the draft Data Center Ordinance to the Township Planning Commission and the County Planning Commission for which they would have 30 days to review and comment on the draft. Attorney Datte suggested we schedule a public hearing a half hour before one of our regular meetings. Attorney Datte said we may want to consider our June 1<sup>st</sup> meeting @ 5:30PM to do that. Chairman Prudenti said the draft is not only for Data Centers but Crypto Mining and Substations as well. Chairman called for a motion to advertise to schedule the Data Center Ordinance hearing , Monday, June 1, 2026 at 5:30PM

and direct Attorney Datte to advertise and provide copies to the WP and Schuylkill Planning Commissions.

Kyle Kester made the motion to advertise and provide copies to the Planning Commissions of the Data Center Ordinance and set the date for the hearing June 1, 2026 @ 5:30PM. Tom Ackerman seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion was carried. 3-0

## **II. Land Use**

**A. Land Access to Lot 12 - Previously Hamersly Storage Land Development.** Property is located along Penn Dr. (SR443) & Medical Crossing.

Heath Machamer from HNT Engineering said he would like to update the Board and present an item for discussion. The previous Hamersly Storage Land Development is under new ownership. Mr. Machamer said before the new owners pursue moving ahead with the development there is an issue of Lot access that they wanted to bring to the Board's attention.

The Hamersly Plan was reviewed by the Township Engineer and the Township Planning Commission. Mr. Machamer provided the Board handouts and also had a large plan on an easel. The Board of Supervisors also looked at the plan and takes into consideration the Planning Commission's recommendations. Mr. Machamer handed out a driveway permit that was issued previously, the former subdivision plan, that has reference notes highlighted and the stormwater and grading plan. Mr. Machamer gave an overview of the plan which is located on Penn Dr. (SR443) and east of the intersection of Medical Crossing Dr. The initial 2003 subdivision plan was referred to as Lot 12. The initial plan has a strip of land like a flag lot that comes out to Medical Crossing Dr. which usually on a plan would mean potential access. Normally a flag lot would be designed for the required road frontage. It is not the case in this layout because the track has road frontage along SR443. Mr. Machamer referred to his handouts which highlighted notes which reference obtaining permits from PennDOT for certain lots. He also highlighted the flag portion that comes out at Medical Crossing Dr. He provided a copy of the driveway permit that was issued under the previous application of initial access from that point. The Land Development Plan that was submitted previously proposed a total of 382 Storage Units. Mr. Machamer explained the grade of the development. Along SR443 the existing grade is roughly elevation 532 along the rear of the tract they gain 20 ft in elevation and the total vertical elevations to the rear of what would be the graded areas would be 18 ft. The new owner's position in coming to the Board of Supervisors is they believe that the Township has already granted access to Medical Crossing Drive to the Tract and that the previous recorded plan may indicate notes that they would need a PennDOT permit, however, there are no notes stating that it prohibits access to Medical Crossing Dr. Mr. Machamer said that is what they wanted to bring to the Board's attention is the access to the site.

Chairman restated Mr. Machamer's position to clarify that they do not feel they should have to come out on the state road and gave their reasoning because there is an extra access portion of the lot onto Medical Crossing. Mr. Machamer and his client feel that is the reason they should not have to go by the 2003 notes that were on the initial subdivision plan. Chairman said the notes on a plan run with the land. Chairman feels the access off Medical Crossing was for if the Lot was going to be used for a home. Chairman asked Mr. Machamer what he feels the notes on a plan are for. Mr. Machamer feels on the way it was written should have been more conclusive

on the original development. He said the language on the plan does not completely acknowledge or eliminate the access from Medical Crossing Drive. Chairman said on the original plan on three different notes it says for Lot 12 you must use the state road. Mr. Machamer read the highlighted notes. #22. The purpose of this subdivision plan is to create 11 new residential lots for development and create 3 new commercial lots to be developed as per this plan. Lots 12, 13 and 14 would require Land Development Plan approved by the Township prior to any development, it is not the intent of this plan to be used as a Land Development Plan for 12, 13 or 14.

#27 Individual Lot owners shall obtain a highway occupancy permit from PennDOT for Lots 12, 13 & 14.

#32 Lots 12, 13 & 14 will require driveway permits from PennDOT if they are developed in the future.

Chairman asked Mr. Machamer if he feels the notes, are a restrictive covenant. Mr. Machamer said yes, he feels that they are covenants that run with the land. Chairman said then why would you think that you would not need an HOP. Mr. Machamer said because from the owner's perspective and the fact the Township has issued a driveway permit to access Medical Crossing Dr. Mr. Machamer said if he had done a plan like the initial subdivision, he would have made the notes clear. Chairman discussed the driveway permit they submitted. Chairman said it does not say Commercial Driveway on it. Nicholas Boyle, the new owner of the property, said the permit the board is looking at is not the initial driveway permit. Attorney Datte wanted some clarification on the Driveway Permit.

Tom Ackerman asked when the first driveway plan was submitted, was there a plan of what they were going to do with the property. Chairman said no, not as far as the land development. Mike Begis from ARRO consulting had a copy of the original driveway. He said when the application was submitted the recorded plan from 2003 was not submitted with the application. The application specifically states if it is a part of a subdivision and there are restrictions or covenants to submit a copy of the restrictions or covenants with your application. And the applicant does sign to certify the application. Mr. Machamer said the driveway application and permitting was before the Land Development was submitted. They are here to discuss the notes and get the Board of Supervisors position of the driveway access of the plan for the strip out to Medical Crossing Drive.

Attorney Datte said Mr. Machamer's interpretation of the notes is that access from SR443 is not required. Attorney Datte asked Mr. Machamer if he agrees that at a minimum, he will have to at least get a HOP for a driveway from SR443 to comply with the notes. Mr. Machamer said he agrees that the notes are leaning toward the requirement of an HOP for SR443. The problem he has with the notes that were recorded is that they do not close the door about the access of Medical Crossing Dr. for Commercial. Attorney Datte's interpretation of access was clearly limited to and required access off of SR443 based on the notes. Attorney Datte said he would not know how you would interpret those notes anything other than requiring access off of SR443.

Attorney Datte said those notes are there for a reason. Mr. Machamer said they just wanted to get clarification on the Boards position of the notes on the plan. Chairman questioned the driveway fee the applicant paid. The applicant did pay the correct amount for the initial driveway permit of \$75. There are a couple of ways of what we could do for this situation, one is to request the

applicant to go off of SR443. Chairman said it comes down to the notes on the plan from 2003. Chairman asked Attorney Datte what he feels notes on a 2003 recorded plan are considered. Attorney Datte said they are conditions and any further development of those three lots are subjected to those conditions. The plan was recorded. Chairman asked Mr. Machamer if they put in for an HOP. Mr. Machamer said not at this point. Chairman said there maybe a problem getting an HOP for that lot. Nicholas Boyle feels PennDOT may have an issue granting the HOP because they already have access to the Township Road. Attorney Datte said we could provide a letter stating that access is limited. If that would be Penn DOT's position. Nicholas Boyle's said his issue is he was issued a permit for a 20ft wide driveway which he said is the Commercial width. The reason why he certified the application was because of the way he interpreted the notes on the plan. Chairman said we need to update our driveway permit applications and have a spot specifically stating if it is residential or commercial. Chairman asked Mr. Machamer how he feels about the HOP. He said as far as the HOP there is good site distance and those types of things. The issue that may be a problem for the HOP is the grade off of SR443.

Chairman asked the Board their thoughts about the situation. Tom Ackerman said he has been looking at the plans for months and the plans say use SR443 for those lots but does not specify residential or commercial. Tom Ackerman acknowledges that the Planning Commission recommends SR443. Attorney Datte said the notes on the recorded plan are there for a reason. Kyle Kester's concern is that there was a driveway permit issued but there was not any plan submitted to say what the plan was going to be used for. Kyle Kester said he did go to the site and said he is not sure from the way it looks that he questioned if the driveway was ever completed. Nicholas Boyle said the subbase is in and the dimensions are for a commercial driveway. He said even if he did not say what the use of the driveway was for, the engineer should have questioned his application because of the dimensions before issuing the permit. Chairman opened it up to the public.

Brian McQuillen said he represents Mr. & Mrs. Fritz and Mr. & Mrs. Easterday.

He said he was present at the Board meeting when they presented this plan.

The Board decided that those notes on the plan are an encumbrance of this development. The applicant was asked to go back and modify the Land Development Plan.

Mr. McQuillen said regardless of whether the notes on the plan are ambiguous, they are on the plan, and it was recorded with those notes on the plan. Mr. McQuillen said if the Land Developer wanted to modify those notes they would have to go to all 14 lot owners to decide because they are the people that bought those lots contingent on the original subdivision plan. Mr. McQuillen feels they do not have a right to say they have submitted a permit because they did not complete the permit accurately. They left out the information to answer questions about whether there were any covenants on the property or any other restrictions. Mr. McQuillen feels that the notes on the original plan should be followed and the access should be off of SR443. Mr. McQuillen wanted to ask the Board at the last meeting to make it final decision on the development of Lot 12 access note on the plan. He is asking them tonight to make that decision that the development of Lot 12 would require an HOP. Attorney Datte said regardless of Mr. McQuillen's interpretation the plan requires a HOP for access off of SR443. The question then becomes do

you have to use that as the sole access to the property. Attorney Datte asked if we still had the meeting minutes from back in 2003. Secretary will look at the minutes.

Mr. Machamer said for clarification purposes we are looking at a driveway permit that was submitted in 2024. The Land Development was submitted in Dec. of 2025. The other point is we did not get an opinion from this Board previously as Mr. McQuillen implied. The opinion was from the Planning Commission which makes recommendations to the Board. Mr. Machamer said they are going through the proper channels to get the Board's interpretation of the notes on the plan. That is what we are requesting. They would like the Board to render a decision about the notes on the plan.

Brett Chrisman – co-owner of Houser Newman and Associates – he said what he understands it is an ingress, egress Right-a-Way driveway. He has 100+ patients & coworkers at his office every day. He feels with 300+ units for the Storage Facility they are going to get a lot more traffic including trailers coming on Medical Crossing Drive. He has a lot of elderly patients that use that road directly across from the initial entrance to that property. Please keep that in mind when making your decision.

Todd Deem – asked is the township road built up enough for that kind of traffic.

Tom Ackerman questioned what is that piece of property going to be used for down the road. Would if they fence it and put barb wire, is that going to be another complaint at a meeting. Chairman said this use with storage could be a temporary use. Who is to say someone offers them a barrel full of money and puts up a strip mall.

Rebecca Easterday – She explained that when she bought her property, Lot 12 was still available. She was told at that point the flag part of Lot 12 was there if someone wanted to put a residence on that Lot. She was told that from the people that were selling the Paul Goettner Lots of that development. They did not think any Commercial would be allowed to go through there because of the restrictions that were listed on the recorded plan. She feels the initial driveway permit was not completed properly and they did not disclose what it was going to be used for. Ms. Easterday said she came before the Board before and said they had intentions of making sheds there and the owner knew about the restriction. Ms. Easterday spoke to someone that said the property owner is not going to come off of SR443 because it would cost too much money. She said once she found out that there was a permit coming off of Medical Crossing, she came back to the Board to dispute the Driveway Permit because she knew what the property owner's intentions were. Ms. Easterday said if they get access off of SR443 she does not have a problem with the storage units. She is fine with them using the Medical Crossing Dr. access for Emergency Services. But she does not want it as the main access to the Storage Units.

Attorney Datte said we are not here to make any accusations. All we know when the permit application was submitted, the certification was signed to the effect that any restrictions had to be included in the application and they were not. Attorney Datte said the notes on the plan do not specifically restrict access to the Lot off of SR443 but why would the notes be there if that was not the intention.

Nicholas Boyle said he does not know why there is another access to that Lot because the two other Lots only have access off of SR443. Lot 12 is unique because it has that flag and the notes on the plan did not say it should only be used for residential.

Jason Oswald wanted to know what Ordinance would they have to follow if they go off of the State Road? Chairman and Attorney Datte said they would need two driveway permits. One coming off the State Road from PennDOT and from there back to the lot the Township takes over from there.

Heath Machamer asked if access from Medical Crossing could be a secondary access or could they put units or storage on the flag part of that Lot. We just want an interpretation of the notes on the plan.

Brian McQuillen said Attorney Datte raised the possibility of using it as a secondary access. Mr. McQuillen said that is not what the plan said. Attorney Datte said he understands what he said but they could submit that. Attorney Datte said they have the opportunity in the Planning process to make a submission, that is going to be reviewed, commented on, granted, or denied.

Chairman thanked everyone for their comments. Attorney Datte said the Board could make a decision on their interpretation of the provision whether it requires access off from SR443 only.

Chairman asked Attorney Datte what he thought. Attorney Datte said his interpretation of the notes to this site is designed to get access off of SR443. Chairman called for a motion. Tom Ackerman said with the Planning Commission's recommendation and Attorney Datte's interpretation, Kyle Kester said that the motion would be the interpretation of the Board would be off of SR443. Tom Ackerman seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion was carried. 3-0

**B. West Penn Twp. Planning Commission** would like to make a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors to consider adopting a full Solar Ordinance. Attorney Datte said when we were looking at the Solar Ordinance, we jumped to get something adopted for Decommissioning and to have some type of security. The provisions are currently in our Ordinance. Attorney Datte discussed the value of decommissioning. Chairman said they have to reevaluate the value every 5 years. Chairman called for a motion. Kyle Kester made a motion to develop a full Solar Ordinance for the Township. Tom Ackerman seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion was carried. 3-0

### **III. Operations**

#### **A. Engineer's Monthly Report – March 2026**

Mike Begis said he gave the Board an updated report and asked if they had any questions. Kyle Kester asked when he thinks the Atlas Park Improvements would be bided out. Mike Begis said it would be this summer and if we need to, we could ask for an extension. Chairman called for a motion to accept the Engineer's monthly report. Tom Ackerman made the motion. Kyle Kester seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion was carried. 3-0

#### **B. Code Enforcement Officer's Monthly Report – March 2026**

Chairman called for a motion to accept the Code Enforcement Officer's monthly report. Tom Ackerman made the motion. Kyle Kester seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion was carried. 3-0

#### **C. Sewage Enforcement Officer's Monthly Report – March 2026**

Chairman called for a motion to accept the Sewage Enforcement Officer's monthly report. Tom Ackerman made the motion to accept the Sewage Officer's monthly report for March 2026. Kyle Kester seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion was carried. 3-0

#### **D. Road Department Monthly Report – March 2026**

Tom Ackerman read the Road Department's Monthly Report. It consisted of general maintenance to the Twp. Building & Equipment, Fixed Street Signs along Township Roads, Broomed off Intersections & Developments, Received 200 Ton of Road Salt, Removed Brush at Atlas Park, Received 150 Ton of Road Salt, Cinderling & Salting Township Roads, Patched Potholes with Cold Patch, Patched Potholes on Dirt Roads with 2A Mod., Broomed off all the Bridge Decks throughout the Twp., Cleaned up trees and Branches along Twp. Roads, Hauled in Anti-skid and 2A Mod. For Stockpile and Replaced pipe on Millhead Rd. The monthly maintenance report was also reviewed. The Board decided to schedule Road Inspections for Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 8AM. Chairman called for a motion to accept the Road Master's monthly report. Kyle Kester made the motion. Tom Ackerman seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion was carried. 3-0

#### **E. Police Monthly Report – March 2026**

Kyle Kester read the Police Report. He reported that the Total Miles Patrolled 5,700. Traffic Citations were 61, Traffic Warnings 16, with a total of 77. There were 11 Motor Vehicle Accidents and a Total of 99 Calls, with 0 Criminal Arrest for the month of March. Chief Jason Lorah invited the Board of Supervisors to the West Penn DARE Graduation on April 24<sup>th</sup> & to the DARE Challenge April 25<sup>th</sup>. Chief Lorah also said that Cpl., LT., and himself will be teaching a Forensic Class to the Boy Scouts on Sunday, so they could get their Forensic Patch. The Board thanked the Police Dept. for their service and for what they do for the community. Kyle Kester also read a letter from Officer Tom Rodgers requesting to attend Defensive Tactics Instructor Training in May 18-22, 2026, in Harrisburg. It is for certification which his is expiring in August. He is requesting half of his tuition to be reimbursed. The total cost is \$995. He will also be doing mandatory Inservice training for the WP Police Dept. Chairman called for a motion. Tom Ackerman made a motion to accept the monthly police report and pay for half of Ptlm. Rodger's training. Kyle Kester seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion was carried. 3-0

#### **F. Fire Company's Monthly Report – February & March 2026**

Fire Chief submitted both Reports. Kyle Kester read the March Fire Report. The report consisted of 27 answered Calls during the month of March. 9 Motor Vehicle Accidents, 8 Wires/Trees Down, 5 Medical Assists, 1 Fire Police Call, 2 Structure Fires, and 2 Brush Fires. The Fire Department fundraising activities included Breakfast & Bingo. They held their Monthly Business Meeting, Driver Training, Driver Training/Dry Hydrant Maintenance, Vehicle/Equipment Maintenance, Brush Fire Tactics, and another Driver Training/ Dry Hydrant Maintenance. Rebecca Easterday Vice President of the Fire Company said she was not at the breakfast, but the BINGO did well. Chairman called for a motion to accept the Fire Dept. Monthly Reports. Tom Ackerman made the motion. Kyle Kester seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion was carried. 3-0

#### **G. Ambulance Monthly Report – March 2026**

Kyle Kester read the Ambulance monthly report. The Ambulance report consisted of 38 Calls for the month of March. There were 14 Treated, and Transported BLS, 3 Cancelled at Scene, 1 Dead at Scene, 2 Lift Assists, 3 Patients Refused, 3 Standby, 3 Treated but not transported, 1 treated, transferred care and 10 Treated, Transported with ALS on board. Receiving Hospitals were 10 St. Luke's Miners, 6 Lehigh Valley – carbon, 3 St. Luke's – Carbon, 3 St. Luke's – Geisinger, 1 LVHN Cedar Crest, and 1 LVHN Schuylkill East. The calls were 4 East Brunswick, 6 Tamaqua, 1 Waker Twp. & 27 in West Penn Twp. Ambulance included a Bar Graph with their report. Chairman called for a motion to accept the

Ambulance Monthly Report. Tom Ackerman made the motion. Kyle Kester seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion was carried. 3-0

Chairman asked the Board if they wanted the Ambulance Report to include the attached graphs. Kyle Kester likes graphs. It is a visual for him. Chairman prefers not to get the graphs.

#### **IV. Old Business**

##### **A. West Penn J.E. Morgan & Atlas Park Commission (Facebook)**

Chairman discussed the Park Commission having a Facebook Acct. Tom Ackerman feels we should discuss it with the Park Commission to see how they feel about it. Secretary suggested we meet with the Park Commission Tuesday, April 14<sup>th</sup> @ 6PM. Valerie Coombe wanted to know who would manage it. Chairman said Glenn Hummel said he does not have a problem managing it. Kyle Kester said we are open for suggestions of how we could advertise different events for the Township. Attorney Datte said he believes you could just set that up for information only and not to receive comments. Everyone agreed if we do have a Facebook the comments would be turned off. Jamie Shelton suggested updating our website or publishing a newsletter. Mr. Shelton recommends checking out Lowhill Township's website. Chairman asked what the yearly budget for Lowhill Twp. Mr. Shelton was not sure. Rush Township sends out newsletters.

Rebecca Easterday said Facebook could be difficult because you must get followers in order for it to be successful way to get the word out. Board would like to look into Website, Newsletter and Facebook.

#### **V. New Business**

**A.** Chairman called for a motion to hire JoAnn Kunkle as the Cleaning Person for the West Penn Park on Zion Stone Church Rd. Kyle Kester made the motion to hire JoAnn Kunkle to clean West Penn Park – Zion Stone Church Rd. Tom Ackerman seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion was carried. 3-0

#### **VI. Correspondence**

**A.** Chairman announces that West Penn Zion Stone Park Clean Up is April 11, 2026 @ 8AM. Rain date is April 18, 2026 @ 8AM.

#### **VII. Business from anyone on the Board. - NONE**

#### **VIII. Public Comment**

**Todd Deem** – asked for the Board to lower the Flag to ½ staff for the Fire & Asst. Fire Chief that died in Berks County.

**Rebecca Easterday** – has a concern about Tractor Trailer Traffic on Medical Crossing Rd. The Tractor Trailers have taken out the STOP sign several times. The Tractor Trailers get stuck in the middle of the night, and they have to back down Medical Crossing so as they back up you hear the beeping from them backing up. Ms. Easterday asked if there were signs that we could be put up. She questioned if Tractor Trailers should even be on that road. Attorney Datte said there is a provision in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Twp. Code, if there is a road configuration that limits the ability of Trucks to Navigate that maybe what we could use to restrict Truck access. Attorney Datte will look at it. We may need a letter from the Engineer.

Chairman asked Mike Begis to figure out what that would cost the Township.

**Jaxon Oswald** – he was wondering about the outcome of the School Bus signs on Summer Valley Rd. Unfortunately, PennDOT would not allow the Township to place School Bus Ahead Signs on Summer Valley Rd. Penn DOT claims it does not meet their criteria for those signs to be placed on that road.

**Jason Oswald** – asked who was responsible for driveways on the State Highways. Questioned how his neighbor got a permit to pave a driveway that is wider than allowed. When he asked to widen his

driveway, he was denied. Chairman recommended he submit a concern. Attorney Datte said that would be a PennDOT issue because it is on the State Highway. Mr. Oswald did a Right-to-Know through PennDOT. Mr. Oswald asked why the Twp. allowed the paving of the driveway. Chairman read a portion of the Right-to-Know from PennDOT. It said in addition, please note PennDOT Engineering District 5-0, informed us that the applicant's driveway was noncompliant and their application expired on 6/29/23.

**Brian McQuillen** – feels the Twp. has a history of having problems with permits. He feels the Supervisors should give a talk with ARRO Consulting, Inc. of how important it is to check things before issuing permits. Mr. McQuillen also asked if Attorney Datte could come up with some kind of language that says The permit is issued but it does not grant you a building permit or land development rights or something. Attorney Datte said the permit for the driveway. If they do anything else, they are doing it at their own risk. Mr. McQuillen suggested the language be the permit is issued contingent on acquiring all other permits. Attorney Datte said he could not do that. That does not mean it is not their responsibility to get all the other permits. Mike Begis said it does say that. Attorney Datte said in a practical matter it only grants what it grants.

**Valerie Coombe** – said Tamaqua Ambulance is applying for an ALS License. They have worked with Lehighton ALS for quite some time. She just wanted to reassure the public that they do not have a say on who gets dispatched. That is up to the COM Center. The dispatch is supposed to be for the closest available ALS truck. Chairman said we are aware, but we are waiting until it is validated. She just wants our residents to know that there would not be a delay in care.

**Jarad Yeasted** – Chief Operations Officer of the Lehighton Ambulance – he attended the meeting just incase there was any questions. He appreciates all the good comments about their service.

**Valerie Coombe** – she said 937 Ambulance is out of commission. She said they need a second truck. They need money. They are doing a second subscription letter. Chairman asked if they have financing set up. Valerie said they are looking at trucks. She said they are looking at \$200K. Valerie Coombe said all help is appreciated it. New is about \$280K- \$350K

#### **IX. Executive Session - NONE**

**X. Adjournment** – Chairman called for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:19PM. Tom Ackerman made the motion. Kyle Kester seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion was carried. 3-0

Transcribed by:

Katie Orlick

West Penn Township Secretary