

February 4, 2026

The regular monthly meeting of the Foster Township Board of Supervisors was held at the Municipal Building. Members present: Chairman Gene Maley, Vice Chairman Rich Zula, Supervisor John Barrett, Secretary Janet Mitchell Engineer Josh Howard. Solicitor Brennan was not present.

Copy of the Minutes were given to the Supervisors if there are no correction or additions the minutes stand approved.

A copy of the bills was given to the Supervisors motion to pay the bills by Barrett second by Zula.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Ken Demmers comments on the great plowing done in the Township. Holds a discussion on problem with Blythe water and dirty filters he just installed. Mr. Maley asked if he contacted Blythe. Mr. Maley will also contact them on the problem. Robert Halupa comments that he had also spoke to Blythe on the problem with Stevenosky and Frank property.

#### ENGINEER REPORT

Ordinance Updates>>>>No update on this project.

CRG/Reading Anthracite Land Development>>>> The Engineers for CRG/Reading Anthracite Land Development Have resubmitted plans to the township and engineer with revisions. Benesch is currently reviewing the plan and anticipate submitting comments to the developer in late January/early February.

Sanik Solar- Airport Road>>> the plans have been conditionally approved. Waiting on the developer to meet all conditions before the plans can be recorded.

Playground project>>>plans and bid documents will be sent to DNCR in February.

DCNR Pickleball Project>>>>Plans and bid documents will be went to DCNR in February.

Dollas General Land Development>>>> Conditional Approval was granted

at the September Meeting. Waiting on the Developer to meet all conditions before plans can be signed and recorded.

Turkey Road Waterline Extension>>>> No update due to winter shutdown. The contractor will be out periodically to verify conditions, and will finalize project in the spring.

Grant Opportunities>>>>>Grants have been announced. Foster Township did not receive any grants that were applied for last year. Benesch will keep an eye open on when new grants become available.

Action Items>>. Motion to sign Chapter 94 to submit to PADEP and SCMA.

#### SOLICITOR'S REPORT

No report due to Solicitor Brennan absence.

#### ROADMASTER REPORT

1. Road maintenance Snow and ice Plowed and removal of 28 inches for January 2026.
2. 2. Equipment Maintenance.
3. Building Maintenance.
4. Most of month spent on road Maintenance and Township needs.

#### POLICE REPORT

1. Discussion on snow removal: Ordinances Prohibiting parking on snow removal roads and throwing snow onto State and township Roads.
2. Discussion on Shredding: requesting Permission from the supervisors to contact various shredding companies to host a municipal Shredding event in which vit6al records within the township office and police department need to be shredded.
3. Drones: Request permission from the Supervisors to contract companies selling Law Enforcement drones for quotes.
4. Stray dogs and cats: Contact the police department if strays are seen in the township.
5. Using Cell phones while driving: 2026 police can issue citations or warnings.
6. Nettles reports on public disasters and public welfare of residents.

#### OLD BUSINESS

1. Mr. Maley reports great job done by plowing crew in the township.
2. Second payment for 2025 to Minersville Fire Rescue to be sent. Motion By Zula second by Barrett to pay the second payment to Minersville Fire Rescue in the amount of \$. Mr. 7,380.00 all in favor.
3. Mr. Barrett asks if any decision on Severance pay Policy was decided, requests a decision by March meeting. Mr. Maley will research.
4. Mr. Barret asks to be placed as the representative on the HIDD Board in Mr. Rob Sterling resignation. Motion Maley second Zula to appoint Barret to HIDD Board.
5. Barrett reports at January meeting salary was not set for the Roadmaster Salary. This position was always a supervisor, Motion to give the roadmaster a \$3,600 dollar increase for 2026. Motion Zula second Maley all in favor.

6. Barret suggests a letter to Airport Authority on Update of their projects.
7. Ambulance subscription increases for 2026 to \$40.00 per person for 18 years or older.
8. Discussion on Pump Station repairs. Barrett suggests for Martin's Electric, Dave Davenport and Benesch to come up with an estimate to replace pumps at Valley Pump Station.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Halupa holds a discussion on the Turkey Road Waterline Project. The LSA Grant covered \$37,000.00 of their fee, the rest was paid by the Township. The Contractor ran over the substantial completion date by 31 days. The Contract has liquation damages of \$1,000.00 per day beyond the completion while going after them for this full amount would be a legal fight. Having them pay this additional fee for inspection is within contract specifications.

Motion to adjourn by Barrett second by Zula.

Attest: Janet Mitchell

Secretary

Foster Township