WRIGHTSTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULAR MEETING July 21, 2025

The Wrightstown Township Board of Supervisors met on Monday, July 21, 2025, in the Meeting Room of the Wrightstown Township Municipal Building, 2203 Second Street Pike, Wrightstown, PA. Chair Chester S. Pogonowski called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. Present were Vice Chair Jane B. Magne, Treasurer Robert S. Lloyd, Solicitor Vicki Kushto, Township Engineer Cindy VanHise and Township Manager Stacy Crandell. All motions were approved by unanimous vote unless otherwise indicated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Chair Pogonowski announced that there was an executive session prior to the meeting to discuss potential litigation items. There were no decisions made at the meeting.

Vice Chair Magne announced upcoming events at the Village Library.

- The Summer Reading Program began on Saturday, June 21 and will continue through August 23 at 10:00 A.M. The reading log and registration forms are available at the Library.
- There will be a Movie Night on Friday, July 25. "A Minecraft Movie" will be shown at 6:00 P.M. and "Remember the Titans" will start at 8:00 P.M.
- The Library is accepting donations of books and audio books.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was none.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

On a motion by Treasurer Lloyd, seconded by Vice Chair Magne, Board of Supervisors meeting minutes of July 14, 2025, were approved.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

- **A.** Resolution 2025-20 830/870 Penns Park Road. Solicitor Kushto gave an overview of the resolution approving the lot line change and minor subdivision plans and clarified that the property name is Better Materials, with Heidelberg Materials being the parent company. Solicitor Kushto also specified that the zoning for the two combined properties would be RI. On a motion by Vice Chair Magne and seconded by Treasurer Lloyd, the Resolution was approved.
- **B.** Ordinance #347 EV Charging Stations. A public hearing was held on regulations for EV charging stations, Ordinance #347 (JMZO 2022-02). On a motion by Vice Chair Magne and seconded by Treasurer Lloyd, the Ordinance was approved. There was no public comment.
- **C.** Ordinance #348 Zoning Hearing Board Amendment to Wording. A public hearing was held on wording changes with respect to advertising Zoning Hearing Board meetings. On a motion by Treasurer Lloyd, seconded by Vice Chair Magne, Ordinance #348 (Jointure Ordinance 2024-05) was approved. There was no public comment.
- D. Discussion of Proposed Jointure Ordinances.
 - i. Wireless Communications, Jointure Ordinance 2022-01. On a motion by Vice Chair Magne and seconded by Treasurer Lloyd, the Board authorized advertisement of the proposed wireless communications ordinance.
 - ii. Billboards, Jointure Ordinance 2022-03. On a motion by Chair Pogonowski and seconded by Vice Chair Magne, the Board authorized advertisement of the proposed off

premises sign ordinance.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

- **A.** Twining Construction Escrow Release #8. On a motion by Chair Pogonowski, seconded by Treasurer Lloyd, escrow release #8 in the amount of \$76,149.50 was approved. The costs of some landscaping items and the emergency access brick pavers to Sterling Limousine were not recommended for release.
- B. Release Letter of Credit and Approval of Cash Escrow for Funds Required Dunkin, 811 Durham Road. The Engineer recommended releasing the remaining escrow of \$98,438.53 to Dunkin since they have submitted a check for \$10,000 as escrow to be held for the 15 undersized trees planted. On a motion by Vice Chair Magne, seconded by Treasurer Lloyd, authorization was given for revised Release #5 to Dunkin.
- **C. Engineer's Report.** Engineer VanHise asked whether there were questions about the June report.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

- A. Newtown Police Department. Lieutenant Joseph presented the report for June. There were 486 calls for service, 3 arrests and 2 thefts of copper wire. There were 22 traffic crashes for the month, with no fatalities. There were 35 traffic enforcement details with Police issuing 56 traffic citations and 26 warnings. There were two truck enforcement details at Durham Road and Fox Hill Drive resulting in 12 truck inspections. The Police Department has been notified that they have been reaccredited after their review in May. Lieutenant Joseph reminded that due to a rash of car burglaries in the region, residents should not leave key fobs in their vehicles and should lock the doors. With the Grange Fair being held from August 13 through 17, residents should prepare for extra traffic. He also gave an overview of use of electric bikes and electric rides on roadways. Captain Harris will be sending an email brochure to Council Rock parents pertaining to E bike and E ride laws.
- **B.** Lingohocken Fire Company Report. Dave James reviewed the June report. There were 33 calls for service, 223 man-hours for responses, 432 man-hours of training, and 14 man-hours of work details, for a total of 669 man-hours of service to the community.
- C. Public Works Department. Foreman Dave James presented the report for June. There was bank mowing and storm clean up. Mud Road was closed for about three days with fallen trees and downed wires. The road paving project is almost complete on Cedar Lane, Jericho Valley Road and in Anchor Estates.
- **D. Central Bucks Ambulance Squad.** Chair Pogonowski read the May report which also included their financial report and audit report. There were 13 responses in Wrightstown, with 75 calls for the year.
- **D.** Emergency Management Coordinator. Manager Crandell read the June report from EMC John Kernan, who has been attending training and working with the police and fire companies to update the emergency action plan. This plan is expected to be presented at the September meeting for review and approval.
- **E. Code/Zoning Department.** Chair Pogonowski read the Zoning Department report for June. There were 41 zoning and building permit inspections, 7 resale inspections, 7 notices of violation, and 1 complaint inspection. There was a total of \$8,479.70 in fees and \$7,500.00 in escrow fees collected.
- **F. Boards and Commissions.** Karl Niederer from the Wrightstown Historical Commission spoke about the opening of the Wrightstown Friends Meeting exhibit in the lobby of the Township building which took place prior to this meeting. Members of the Monthly Meeting as well as the Historical Commission spent the last year preparing the exhibit. Eighty-four people attended the July open house at the Octagonal Schoolhouse, which was far greater than

previous open house events. Mr. Niederer also asked for approval to buy a scanner to help digitalize Historical Commission documents so as to be able to make them accessible online. After his last Board presentation, a Wrightstown resident came forward to volunteer to do the scanning, along with the assistance of David Dutko. Chair Pogonowski suggested funds, up to \$3,000.00, from the technology fund could be used for a scanner and other necessary equipment. On a motion by Chair Pogonowski, seconded by Treasurer Lloyd, the purchase was approved.

G. Tribute to Ann Mark. Vice Chair Magne read a tribute to Ann Mark, former Township volunteer.

"We want to acknowledge the unexpected passing of Ann Mark who served on the Wrightstown Planning Commission from 2008 to 2020 and on the Zoning Hearing Board from 2020 to 2025, much of the time as chairperson. Ann and her husband George moved to Wrightstown in the early 1990s, and her voice helped to shape the limited growth prized by the Township.

Ann earned her PhD at the Harvard School of Public Health and went on to become executive coordinator of the research conducted in the laboratories of Robert Gallo at the National Cancer Institute that led to the discovery of the virus that causes HIV. She later became outreach coordinator for the Molecular Biology Department at Princeton University.

We extend our sincere condolences to George and their sons Paul and Alex. She will be very much missed by all of us who knew her and worked with her."

H. Township Manager. Manager Crandell reported that she, along with the staff, is gathering information for preparing the 2026 Budget.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was none.

OTHER BUSINESS:

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion by Treasurer Lloyd, seconded by Vice Chair Magne, all voted to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy Crandell, Manager