

MINUTES OF MEETING
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP

The Board of Commissioners of Springfield Township met in a regular monthly meeting on Wednesday evening, June 11, 2025 at 7:30 PM in the Springfield Township Building for the purpose of transacting the general business of the Township. The meeting was also offered in a live streaming feature. All members of the Board were present. Commissioner Lee presided.

Mr. Lee asked Mr. Taylor if any remote public comments were received prior to the meeting. Mr. Taylor reported that one public comment was received from a resident of Oreland. The comment asked for clarification regarding the estimated cost and savings for the Solar Project under consideration by the Township for the Municipal Campus. A 9.2 year payback and \$700,000 net savings over the expected 30 year life of the solar panels is estimated.

Mr. Lee asked everyone to join the Board of Commissioners in a moment of silent reflection honoring the service men and women who have placed themselves in harm's way in order to help preserve our safety at home and overseas.

Mr. Lee led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion (Wilson-McNamara) vote 7-0 dispensing with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting and approving same as written and recorded in the official minute book of the Township.

Mr. Lee announced that the Board of Commissioners conducted an executive session as part of their June 9, 2025 workshop meeting to discuss two real estate and two litigation matters. The Board also met prior to this evening's business meeting to discuss one pending litigation matter.

Mr. Lee opened the meeting to public comment. No public comments were received.

Mr. Lee, Chairman of the Public Safety Committee, reported:

Motion (Lee-McNamara) vote 7-0 to adopt Resolution No. 1668, a resolution adopting an updated fee schedule for towing services pursuant to Section 107-39 (B) of the Code of the Township of Springfield. The fee schedule was last updated in December 2021, and includes modest increases to towing, storage and road service fees charged by the Township's authorized towing providers.

Mr. Wilson, Chairman of the Community Development Committee, reported:

Motion (Wilson-Ratsavong) vote 7-0 to approve the bylaws of the Springfield Township Planning Commission as amended by the Planning Commission at its meeting on June 3, 2025. The amendments include minor corrections to grammar and clarification that the secretary of the Planning Commission shall be elected by its members. In addition,

nominations and elections of officers will take place at the first meeting in January of each year.

Mr. Cobb, Chairman of the Administrative, Fiscal Affairs and Zoning Committee, reported:

Motion (Cobb-McNamara) vote 7-0 to approve the May check reconciliation in the amount of \$1,236,690.36 and the June bill listing in the amount of \$512,726.40.

Motion (Cobb-McNamara) vote 7-0 to approve the terms of a mediated settlement that requires the Township to make a payment in the amount of \$65,722.80 to resolve the disputed request for reimbursement of attorneys' fees with attorneys retained by the Pennsylvania Fraternal Order of Police Pennsylvania Lodge, et al in the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit and a subsequent request for a rehearing en banc. The mediated settlement payment represents a reduction of \$32,074.50, or 33%, from the original amount of attorneys' fees requested for reimbursement by the Plaintiffs.

Mr. Cobb announced that the Springfield Township Zoning Hearing Board will meet on Monday, June 23 as well as Tuesday, June 24, 2025 in the Springfield Township Building. Mr. Cobb summarized four Zoning Hearing Board petitions and announced that copies of the applications and plans are on file in the Code Enforcement Office and may be viewed during normal business hours.

Ms. Ratsavong, Chairwoman of the Parks and Recreational Resources Committee, reported:

Motion (Ratsavong-McNamara) vote 7-0 to authorize the execution of a Right of Access and License Agreement with 5 Star Venture 1 LP to facilitate the redevelopment of the property located at 1000 Mermaid Lane, Wyndmoor. The license area measures approximately 500 square feet and will allow for the connection of an existing commercial structure to the public sanitary sewer main located below Mermaid Park.

Mr. May, Chairman of the Environmental Resources Committee, reported:

Mr. May announced that during the month of May 2025, Springfield Township residents recycled 173.9 tons of material with a householder participation rate of 60.8%. The net cost for the month was \$17,720.50.

Motion (May-Wilson) vote 7-0 to appoint Stephen Heverin and Patrick Hynes to new three-year terms of service as members of the Springfield Township Environmental Advisory Commission. The new terms of service for Mr. Heverin and Mr. Hynes shall expire June 14, 2028.

Ms. McNamara, Chairwoman of the Public Works and Facilities Committee, reported:

On May 29, 2025, a bid opening was conducted for the Avondale Road Storm Sewer Project. Bids were received from three contractors: Ply-Mar Construction Company, Inc., Pact One, LLC, and James R. Kenney Excavating and Paving, Inc. The bids ranged in price from \$109,855 to \$182,412. The budget for the project is \$125,000.

Motion (McNamara-Wilson) vote 7-0 to award a contract to Ply-Mar Construction Company, Inc. of Plymouth Meeting, PA for their low bid price of \$109,855.

Following the installation of the new storm sewer facilities, Avondale Road will be resurfaced in its entirety as part of the Township's 2025 Highway Resurfacing Program.

Mr. Wilson noted the necessity of the project to correct stormwater issues on Avondale Road, and that residents in the area will receive letters informing them of the work. The start of construction is anticipated to begin sometime after the July 4th holiday.

Mr. Morris, Chairman of the Cultural Resources Committee, had no report.

Mr. Lee opened the meeting to public comment. No public comment was received.

Motion (Wilson-Cobb) vote 7-0, to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Taylor
Manager/Secretary