

MINUTES OF MEETING  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP

The Board of Commissioners of Springfield Township met in a regular monthly meeting on Wednesday evening, July 8, 2026 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 Ratsavong presided.

Ms. Ratsavong asked Mr. Taylor if any remote public comments were received prior to the meeting. Mr. Taylor reported that no public comments were received.

Ms. Ratsavong 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.

Ms. Ratsavong led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion (May-Morris) 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.

Ms. Ratsavong announced that the Board of Commissioners conducted an executive session as part of its July 6<sup>th</sup> workshop meeting to discuss one personnel matter.

Ms. Ratsavong announced that a limited number of single-day swimming pool passes have been made available this summer for Springfield Township residents to obtain access to the Flourtown Country Club. The passes are available at the Free Library of Springfield Township beginning June 15 through September 4. The passes are not available on Sunday, July 12 due to a members-only event.

Ms. Ratsavong also announced that State Representative Napoleon Nelson will be hosting a Town Hall meeting on Thursday, August 27 at 7 PM at the Free Library of Springfield Township. The meeting will feature an update on the current projects and activities of the Jenkintown Borough, Cheltenham Township and Springfield Township Environmental Advisory Commissions.

Ms. Ratsavong opened the meeting to public comment. No public comment was received.

Ms. Ratsavong, Chairwoman of the Community Development Committee, had no report.

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

Motion (Lee-May) vote 7-0 to approve the June check reconciliation in the amount of \$1,310,035.86, and the July bill listing in the amount of \$847,250.61.

Mr. Lee announced that the Springfield Township Zoning Hearing Board will meet on Monday, July 27, 2026, at 7:00 PM at the Springfield Township Building to receive testimony on two applications. Mr. Lee summarized the petitions that are to be heard and announced that a copy of the applications and plans are on file in the Code Enforcement Office and may be viewed during normal business hours.

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

Mr. May announced that during the month of June 2026, Springfield Township residents recycled 1,145.84 tons of material with a householder participation rate of 66.0%. The net cost for the month was \$15,423.26.

Mr. May also reminded residents to locate refuse and recyclable materials a suitable distance from one another and to clearly label containers so that they are easily identified by the proper collection crew. Unmarked recycling containers that are located too close to refuse containers and/or contain unsuitable materials will be treated as refuse and disposed of accordingly. Therefore, residents are encouraged to locate their refuse, single stream recyclables and yard waste materials apart from one another so that they are easily identified and properly disposed. Recyclables should also be free of food waste and other contaminants so that they may be properly recycled. Recyclables that contain grease, food and packing materials will be considered residual waste and not recycled.

Ms. McNamara, Chairwoman of the Public Safety Committee, reported:

Motion (McNamara-May) vote 7-0 to waive section 3303.1 (12) of the Springfield Township Fire Prevention Code in order that the North Hills Country Club may conduct a professional fireworks display on Sunday evening, September 6, 2026 at approximately 8:15 PM as part of the Club's annual Labor Day celebration. The approval is conditioned upon the following: (1) the pyrotechnical firm and North Hills Country Club shall add Springfield Township as an additional insured on their certificates of insurance for the event; and (2) the pyrotechnical firm and the North Hills Country Club shall work closely with the Springfield Township Fire Marshal and Oreland Fire Company to help prevent an accident and to create a plan of action in the event that an accident does occur during the activity.

Ms. Ratsavong wondered if fireworks are comparable or less costly than drone shows for future incentives.

Motion (McNamara-Lee) vote 7-0 to reappoint Edward "Ted" Bell to a new, six-year term of service as a voting member, and Glenn Schaum, Elisabeth Latawicz and Elizabeth McNamara to new, six-year terms of service as alternate members of the Police Civil Service Commission. The new terms of service shall expire July 16, 2032.

Ms. McNamara also announced that the Springfield Township Police Department will celebrate National Night Out on Tuesday, August 4, 2026 from 6 to 9 PM at the Springfield

Township Municipal Campus. National Night Out is a community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement, providing a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances. This year's celebration will feature free food, music, games and more.

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

Mr. Goldberg, Chairman of the Parks & Recreation Resources Committee, reported:

Motion (Goldberg-May) vote 7-0 to adopt Resolution No. 1696, a resolution proclaiming Friday, July 17, 2026 as National Parks & Recreation Professionals Day in Springfield Township.

Mr. Goldberg announced that to celebrate National Parks & Recreation Professionals Day, the Springfield Township Parks & Recreation Department will conduct a live children's concert at Cisco Park on Friday, July 17 beginning at 10 AM. The featured performer will be "Allie Oops!" and will include a mix of classic children's tunes, well-loved pop songs and interactive original music.

Ms. Ratsavong remarked on the Board of Commissioners' appreciation for the work of the Parks and Recreation Department.

Mr. Kirk, Chairman of the Public Works and Facilities Committee, reported:

Motion (Kirk-Morris) vote 7-0 to reappoint Matt Johnson and Jared Schwartz to new, three-year terms of service as voting members, and B.J. Bear to a new three-year term of service as an alternate member of the Springfield Township Shade Tree Commission. The new terms of service shall expire July 13, 2029.

Ms. Ratsavong opened the meeting to public comment. No comments were received.

Ms. Ratsavong acknowledged the efforts of the Oreland Lions to organize the annual Independence Day parade and the Montgomery County Commissioners' grant to celebrate the nation's semi quincentennial.

Motion (Lee-May) vote 7-0, to adjourn the business meeting at 7:46 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Taylor  
Manager/Secretary