

# **Mahoning Township**

## **Board of Township Supervisors**

***Mahoning Township...First Township in Lawrence County...Organized in 1805***

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### **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING ON APRIL 14, 2026**

The Mahoning Township Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 14, 2026 which was scheduled for 6:00 p.m. in the meeting room of the Mahoning Township building located at 4538 West State Street, Edinburg, PA 16116. The meeting began at 7:38 p.m. following a public hearing on zoning amendments regarding data centers.

Chairman Vito Yeropoli noted the pledge was done at the start of the hearing.

**ROLL CALL** was taken by Jean Greco, Secretary. Members present were Mark Sackin, Gary Pezzuolo and Vito Yeropoli. The Township's Engineer Gregg DelPrincipe and Solicitor Louis M. Perrotta were also present along with Police Officer Alfred DeCarbo.

Chairman Yeropoli asked for any guest speakers. Resident Scott Fabian updated that he and his wife's continued effort to clean up their property so far has resulted in 12,000 pounds of metal being scrapped and intent now involves a community garden of sorts.

Resident Ann Phillips expressed her continued concerns on nondisclosure statements by the supervisors and asked to officially adopt a policy on this subject matter to make it official. Solicitor Perrotta stated no one has nor would he allow the supervisors to sign such a statement. Ms. Phillips opined that such accusations will continue. Perrotta noted that the supervisors are better than that and we need to protect the community.

Ms. Phillips next addressed the need to get ahead of the need for an ordinance concerning zoning of a power plant as her family has been approached. Perrotta noted that the purpose of the hearing was for input.

Planning committee member Virginia Phillips noted intense disappointment in the supervisors and that the materials needed for the Planning Committee's regular meeting in March were not given to the members ahead of time for review and consideration. Committee member Roberta Penwell added that she felt blindsided. She opined that something needs to be passed; but that further amendments and restrictions are needed

Pezzuolo stated that the bottom line is the township needs funding and the supervisors do all they can to bring money into the township with the goal of not raising taxes. However, every time something has potential of coming into the township such as the track and Amazon the opportunity is lost. Yeropoli added that people state we need to do things better and the right way; however, how can we accomplish things without money. Resident Scott Illsley stated to leave roads in poor condition and save the community from a data center.

He further asked Yeropoli of the current planning members. Yeropoli listed Mark Sackin, Virginia Phillips, Randy Peace, Roberta Penwell, Joe Sallmen. Illsley next asked how often the

supervisors go against the committee's recommendations. Yeropoli stated and then confirmed with Greco that not once have they gone against the committee. Yeropoli briefly explained the process of residents bringing information for township planning review which also gets shared with the county planning. Suggestions and recommendations from the county are taken into consideration by the township planning and then shared with the supervisors. Illsley opined on too many backroom deals and too many unknowns. Yeropoli noted that there is a lot of gossip in the community. Pezzuolo again noted the Township needs funding.

Yeropoli made a motion to **ADOPT THE MINUTES** of the March 17, 2026 regular meeting in which his motion seconded by Sackin with a vote of all in favor. Yeropoli made a motion to **PAY THE BILLS** as prepared by Greco since last month's meeting which was seconded by Sackin with a vote of all in favor. Yeropoli made a motion to **PAY THE PAYROLLS** as prepared by Greco since last month's meeting which was seconded by Pezzuolo with a vote of all in favor.

Greco gave the **ZONING REPORT** with a pool, 2 garages, porch addition, a deck and 2 roof top solar panels. Sackin gave the **TOWNSHIP PLANNING REPORT** which was to review the **JOE AMBROSIA SUBDIVISION** in which planning members in attendance realized in the intense public presence at the meeting this subject matter was not reviewed. Perrotta asked Greco for the paperwork which was reviewed by Perrotta and the supervisors. Yeropoli made a **MOTION** to approve the subdivision which was seconded by Pezzuolo with a vote of all in favor. Poncho Exposito gave the **FIRE DEPARTMENT** report of 11 assists and another great effort with the annual Lenten Fish Fries. The **POLICE REPORT** was given by Officer DeCarbo of 94 incidents for March 2026.

Yeropoli asked Greco for any **ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCES** in which she noted the Annual Spring Clean Up schedule by Sackin for April 20 – May 2, 2026. And, the Annual County Tax Outreach to be in the building on April 28<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. – Noon. Sackin wanted to honor and recognize the recent death of long time resident and former member of the planning committee Dave Rodgers who served for many years and was a big help.

Yeropoli asked for **UNFINISHED BUSINESS** in which Sackin noted ongoing issues with the dumpsters and garbage being left all around them.

Next, Yeropoli asked for **NEW BUSINESS** DelPrincipe reviewed the paving for 2026. Yeropoli noted the potential for less paving than in previous years due to the increase costs of the winter. DelPrincipe shared info for an additional \$25K in paving for the **RESOLUTION 2026 – 01 COUNTY AID GRANT APPLICATION FOR PAVING 2026** Pezzuolo made the **MOTION** which was seconded by Sackin and a vote of all in favor.

DelPrincipe next noted **RESOLUTION 2026 – 02 REVISIONS TO LOCAL SHARE GRANT** to include \$954K in expenses which Sackin made the **MOTION** seconded by Pezzuolo with a vote of all in favor. Next Yeropoli made a **MOTION** to adopt **RESOLUTION 2026 – 03 HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN FOR LAWRENCE COUNTY** which Sackin seconded with a vote of all in favor.

Yeropoli noted the **NEXT REGULAR MEETING** will be May 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. He then opened the meeting back to residents who wished to speak. Resident Shannon Wojtowicz strongly agrees with Ann Phillips for the need to an ordinance for power plants. Ed Devite asked why with all that is going would Joe Ambrosia submit for a subdivision. The family member planning on building a residence spoke up as such. Resident Michael Ambrosia who lives near the Baird Road property asked about Amazon going in and were drones going to be able to fly over his home. Perrotta noted

count planning is not yet complete and maybe more information to be available by the May meeting. Residents Ed Klamer asked what happens next and Ed King asked and expressed concerns about water if a data center were to go in. Illsley asked if public water available to which the answer was yes. Wotowicz stated that it should be the responsibility of the company not the township to provide the infrastructure for public water and sewer.

At 8:15 p.m. Yeropoli made a motion to **ADJOURN** which was seconded by Sackin with a vote of all in favor.

*Jean M. Greco*  
*Township Secretary*