

**LOWHILL TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SEPTEMBER 11, 2025
MEETING MINUTES**

The Lowhill Township Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order by Chairman Curtis Dietrich at 6:30 pm at the Municipal Building. Also, present were Vice Chairman Michael Divers; Supervisor Jack Iannantuono; Solicitor David Brooman, Esq.; Engineer Ryan Christman and Dan Alman; Township Manager Michael Siegel and Secretary Jill Seymour.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Michael Divers made a motion to approve the agenda, as written. Jack Iannantuono second the motion. Roll call: All, yes. Motion carried. There was an executive session held from 5:30 pm to 6:20 pm on September 11, 2025 to discuss litigation. Michael Divers made a motion to approve the August 14, 2025 meeting minutes, as written. Jack Iannantuono second the motion. Roll call: All, yes. Motion carried. Michael Divers made a motion to pay the monthly bills, as submitted. Jack Iannantuono second the motion. Roll call: All, yes. Motion carried.

The floor was opened for public comment. Hearing none, moved on with the agenda.

Liesel Gross from the Lehigh County Authority was present to discuss the final step on the regional Act 537 plan. This resolution is limited to the public sewer in the township. There are 15 municipalities connected to the KISS system. Long term needs of all municipalities and the aging systems. Lowhill only has 43 homes hooked up. The Lehigh County Authority owns and operates the system.

Michael Divers asked if the LCA is aware of the pressure issues for the 43 homes in Lowhill Township.

Liesel Gross – Not prepared to discuss at this time.

There was a discussion on leaky pipes and maintenance needs that the Lehigh County Authority is working on at this time.

Curtis Dietrich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2025-07 – PA Sewage Facilities Act 537 Amendment plan. Jack Iannantuono second the motion. Roll call: All, yes. Motion carried.

The emergency management coordinator position has been posted on the Township website. Jeremy Schaller is interested in the position. Michael Divers made a motion to appoint Jeremy Schaller as the Lowhill Township emergency management coordinator. Jack Iannantuono second the motion. Roll call: All, yes. Motion carried.

There is an open position on the UCC Board of Appeals. Curtis Dietrich made a motion to appoint Richard Hughes to the UCC Board of Appeals. Jack Iannantuono second the motion. Roll call: All, yes. Motion carried.

Michael Divers made a motion to advertise the zoning ordinance revision. Jack Iannantuono second the motion. Roll call: All, yes. Motion carried.

Germansville Fire Company radios were discussed with Jay Scheffler and the board of supervisors. Dawn Didra sent an e mail to the Board of Supervisors asking to split the cost.

Jay Scheffler – moving to digital radios, the total cost is around \$110,000, they are on a 5-year county bond.

12 ½ percent of Germansville fire calls are in Lowhill Township. There was a discussion on payments Heidelberg already paid out.

Curtis Dietrich would like a 3- or 5-year average call volume and go from there. Jay Scheffler would like a meeting at least twice a year with the fire chiefs and the board of supervisors.

Michael Siegel will coordinate a meeting with Dawn Didra to come to the October meeting.

Jack Iannantuono made a motion to engage with an environmental attorney Michael Fiorentino. A fee of \$2500 to work with our solicitor on litigation. Michael Divers second the motion. Roll call: All, yes. Motion carried.

Michael Siegel will get the NPDES permit ready for review.

Trick or Treat will be held on Saturday October 25, 2025 from 6 pm to 8 pm, rain or shine.

Solicitor comments:

David Brooman, Esq. gave a litigation update. The Commonwealth ruled against Lowhill Township in the Core5, 2766 Route 100 case. Will possibly move to PA Supreme Court.

Ryan Christman – Church Road update. Recommends a 3-way stop, would need an ordinance. Old Village overlay starts on Monday. Will do Windy Road to Farrier Road this year. Farrier Road to Route 100 next year. We are still on target for the grant for the act 537.

Michael Siegel gave his managers report. Yard waste: Spoke to the game lands about a facility for Heidelberg and Lowhill on game land property. They won't accept due to invasive species in yard waste. Will sit down with North Whitehall to work out something with them. Could be a year before they are ready to accept from other townships. Set up an excel spreadsheet for the road crew to list their capital improvements, will have for the September workshop.

Jill Seymour gave the road masters report for Joe Kalusky.

Nothing to report on the Recreation commission.

Forgotten Felines is capped at \$1000 per year and we used it all. Will look at the amount at budget time.

Open Space Ordinance is tabled.

The floor was opened for public comment. Hearing none, Curtis Dietrich made a motion to adjourn. Michael Divers second the motion. Roll call: All, yes. Motion carried.

The Lowhill Township Board of Supervisors meeting was adjourned at 7:42 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,