

**LOWHILL TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
NOVEMBER 13, 2025
MEETING MINUTES**

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

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Curtis Dietrich called a recess to hold a public hearing for Lowhill Township Zoning Ordinance Amendment # 2025-03.

David Brooman announced the public hearing for the Zoning Ordinance Amendment and identified 4 exhibits for the court reporter to record. 1 – The Zoning Ordinance. 2 – The advertised public notice. 3 – Lowhill Township Planning Commission minutes dated July 30, 2025. 4 – Lehigh Valley Planning Commission letter dated August 29, 2025.

Michael Siegel gave an update on what changes were made and why. No principal uses were changed.

Curtis Dietrich – Since no principal uses were changed, we do not have to send the amended ordinance to the other municipalities in the multi municipal plan. Also added were architectural design standards.

The floor was opened for public comment.

Terry Lenhart – Lowhill Township – How stringent are the architectural standards?

David Brooman – The Board of Supervisors would ultimately decide.

The public hearing was ended at 6:39 pm.

Curtis Dietrich called the regular board of supervisors meeting back to order at 6:42 pm.

There are no agenda modifications.

Michael Divers made a motion to approve the agenda. Curtis Dietrich second the motion. Roll call: All, yes. Motion carried.

There was an executive session on Friday October 3, 2025 and Friday October 31, 2025 to discuss litigation.

Jack Iannantuono made a motion to approve the October 15, 2025 Board of Supervisors meeting minutes; October 21, 2025 Budget Workshop meeting minutes & November 5,

2025 Joint Lowhill Township and Heidelberg Township meeting minutes, as written. Michael Divers 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.

Michael Divers made a motion to adopt and approve Ordinance #2025-03, Zoning Ordinance Amendment. Jack Iannantuono second the motion. Roll call: All, yes. Motion carried.

Michael Divers made a motion to accept the contract with the Sanctuary at Haafsville for TNR at \$175 per stray at a \$1000 cap for 2026. Jack Iannantuono second the motion. Roll call: All, yes. Motion carried.

Michael Divers made a motion to donate \$500 to the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce for the Northwestern Tree Lighting Ceremony at Ontelaunee Park. Curtis Dietrich second the motion. Roll call: All, yes. Motion carried.

David Brooman gave an update on litigation.

Joe Howard – Lowhill Township – When Core5 came in looking for an exemption for if the building burns that they didn't have to rebuild within a year, did they get it?

David Brooman – Not by this board.

Curtis Dietrich – No, the board at the time deemed them a non-conforming use. Not in favor at the time.

Vanessa Fenstermacher – Lowhill Township – Core5 appealed to the PA Supreme Court, what is the cost?

David Brooman – If it's excepted, it will be a brief ruling. If not, it ends there.

Vanessa Fenstermacher – Lowhill Township – So it will end soon either way?

David Brooman – Yes.

Ryan Christman – Act 537 – Will know 11/18 if the grant was awarded. Ryan will check the grant amount.

Curtis Dietrich asked about grants for Narris Road.

Ryan Christman will meet with the LCCD.

Jack Iannantuono – Someone took the barriers down on Mill Creek Road.

Michael Divers – Thinks they are over the bank.

Jack Iannantuono – Feels it's dangerous for them to be down. It is a State Road.

Jeremy Schaller – EMC – The range reflector ones are over the bank, reported it to PennDot and they came and put red ones in and they are now knocked down. He will call PennDot again to report.

Michael Divers – It's dangerous for our residents and out of towners coming in for the winter spectacular at the zoo.

Michael Siegel will send a letter and contact our State Representatives.

Stephen Lear – Is DEP waiting to hear the status of our grant for Act 537? Are we in line for Springtime?

Curtis Dietrich – Yes to both, he's been in touch with DEP as well. They are aware we are waiting on the grant.

There was a discussion on the TMobile grant for the rec fields. The rec committee would have to request and Lowhill would provide a letter of support.

Michael Siegel gave his managers report. Our part time plow drivers are not coming back, pay should be \$28 an hour.

Joe Kalusky – was told by Mike Siegel there's no money in the budget for part time people.

Michael Divers – Should be \$28 an hour for part time plow drivers. Wants Mike Siegel to contact Gavin Grim and Dean Vermeulen to see if they will come back.

Joe Howard – Lowhill Township – Wouldn't it be better to contract it out?

Michael Divers – We can discuss it more, but would like to see if our part timers are coming back first.

Michael Siegel will call them tomorrow.

Curtis Dietrich made a motion to pay part time employees \$28 an hour and willing to negotiate later. Michael Divers second the motion. Roll call: All yes. Motion carried.

Michael Divers – the newsletter, how many times a year does it go out?

Michael Siegel – Can go out quarterly or as many times as we want, we only pay postage.

Michael Divers – Advertise for part time road help in the Times News and Press Papers.

Joe Kalusky gave his road masters report. The roof is leaking in the meeting room.

Michael Divers – Go up and fix it.

Michael Divers gave the rec report on what needs to be done and grants available.

There is no old business to discuss.

The floor was opened for public comment.

Jay Scheffler – Germansville Fire Chief – Anything on the radio invoice?

Curtis Dietrich – Yes, we paid it tonight. Would like to get a Fire Chief meeting together for January.

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 7:31 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,