Connellsville Township Supervisors

166 McCoy Hollow Road, Connellsville, PA 15425

Meeting Minutes July 22, 2026

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CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Miner called the monthly meeting to order on Wednesday, July 22, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

led by Chairman Miner.

ROLL CALL

The following persons were present: Supervisor Shawn Stoots, Vice Chairman Brittany Gilpin, Chairman Todd Miner, Public Works Rep Jon Gilpin, and Solicitor John Purcell.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Supervisor Stoots to accept the regular meeting minutes from June 24, 2026. Seconded by Vice Chairman Gilpin. All in favor, motion carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Roy Shipley from Fayette County 911 presented Jon Gilpin with his certificate for completing his certification for Local Emergency Management Coordinator. Jon is certified through May 11, 2031.

SECRETARY'S REPORT (Darla Hann reported)

*15 Burn permits issued in June

*4 lien letter requests completed for June

*The pension audit reports have been received, and we are in compliance with all of the requirements for all three pension plans.

*The Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement has been submitted to PennDOT

TREASURER'S REPORT (Darla Hann reported)

Motion made by Chairman Miner to accept the Treasurer's Report. Seconded by Vice Chair Gilpin. All in favor, motion carried.

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS

Motion made by Vice-Chair Gilpin to pay the monthly bills. Second by Supervisor Stoots. All in favor, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fire Dept.

* Jon Gilpin reported that for June the Fire Dept was called out for: 4 automatic fire alarms, 2 vehicle accidents, 3 wires down, 1 tree down, 1 wire fire, 1 EMS assist, 8 out-of-Township assists; for a total of 20 calls for June. Bingo is every Sunday.

Public Works

* Report for the month was read by Jon Gilpin and is on file in the office. Also reported that, weather permitting, W. Blake, between Crawford Ave and Rt 119, is scheduled to be paved next week, the week of the 27th. This road will be closed to traffic, except local, for several days.

Emergency Management

Code Enforcement Officer –

*Chairman Miner stated there is not a lot going on right now; everyone is working together and asked that residents please keep their grass cut.

SUPERVISOR REPORTS

Supervisor Stoots

* Supervisor Stoots congratulated Jon on completing his certification.

Vice Chair Gilpin

* Vice Chair Gilpin also thanked Mr. Gilpin for his certification as Local Coordinator for Emergency Management.

Chairman Miner

* Chairman Miner stated that it is an honor to have Jon working here at the Township and congratulated him on his certification.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

*Darla Hann reported that the ad for bids for the garbage contract was in the Daily Courier on July 10th and July 17th. To date, one bid packet was picked up and one was emailed.

* Chairman Miner stated previously there was a question of whether a sewage tap was tied in properly on Hosfelt. A dye test was completed, and we received a copy of the results stating that the property passed.

NEW BUSINESS –

* Discussion about the agreement between Fayette County, South Connellsville Rod and Gun Club, and Connellsville Township, concerning the grant for updates to the facilities.

* **Motion** by Vice Chair Gilpin, seconded by Supervisor Stoots, to approve and sign the agreement discussed above, to be a partner in this project. All in favor, motion carried. Our part in this agreement deals with the road getting to the Gun Club. After it is brought up to standards, we will maintain the road.

ORDINANCES –

*__Motion__ by Supervisor Stoots, Seconded by Vice Chair Gilpin, to introduce an amendment to Ordinance 2025-5 (Solicitation Ord), Section 111 – Violation and Penalties, to read "to pay a fine not more than six hundred and 00/100 ($600.00)" replacing the current $300.00 fine. To also increase permit fees to $70.00/1 day, $110.00/1 week, $230.00/1 month.

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GOVERNMENT FORMS AND SUPPLIES (844) 224-3338

This amount includes a badge that, when returned, $15.00 will be refunded to the permittee. A Do Not Knock Registry will be added to the Ordinance. This list will be given to each solicitor so that they are aware of which houses do not allow solicitation. All in favor, motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS –

*__Motion__ was made by Vice-Chair Gilpin to adopt Res 2026-17, to authorize an application for a Multimodal Transportation Fund grant for $361,250.00 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for a resurfacing and drainage project on McCoy Hollow Road. The designated signers will be Todd Miner, Chairman, and Darla Hann, Office Manager, who will execute all documents and agreements between the Township and the Commonwealth Financing Authority. Seconded by Supervisor Stoots. All in favor. Motion carried.

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OTHER COMMENTS

*Jack Purcell stated that he will be unable to attend our August meeting. It was decided that he will see if Melinda Delarose can attend in his place.

*Supervisor Stoots asked if we have any liability with the Gun Club agreement. The Solicitor stated we do not; our only part in the agreement concerns the road.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Chairman Miner to adjourn at 5:35 PM. Seconded by Vice-Chair Gilpin. All in favor, motion carried.

Submitted by: Darla Hann **Approved by:**

Todd Miner, Chairman

Brittany Gilpin, Vice Chair

Shawn Stoots, Supervisor