

ELK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING MINUTES
May 12th, 2025

The Board of Supervisors' May 12th, 2025, meeting convened at 7:00 PM at the Elk Township Building. The following Supervisors were present: Vice Chairman Estace Walters, and Member Milton Rudy. Chairman Albert Jezyk, Jr. was unable to attend.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

No public comment.

Brandywine Red Clay, Lewisville Rd. Conservation Easements

Estace Walters stated that Township Solicitor Winnie Sebastian was waiting on more information from Brandywine Red Clay before advising the Board of Supervisors on committing Township Open Space Funds.

Historic Sign Reviews

Mary Gruber and Blair Fleishman provided an update on the Historic Signs for Elk Township while the Board of Supervisors and the audience looked at color copies of the proposed signs. There was a brief discussion about sign placement at the Elk Township Building. There were no requests for any edits. Blair made it known the Oxford Area Historical Association is planning on a driving tour of villages in the area, including Lewisville.

Big Elk Creek Oversight Committee Meeting

Anteia Consorto addressed the Board; DCNR has postponed the final meeting, scheduled for Election Day in May, until July, with the exact date yet to be announced. John Lawrence is still reviewing the Right to Know documents he received from DCNR. Anteia stated that DCNR could no longer provide horse trailer parking due to a new agreement with Fair Hill, as they were concerned about losing revenue. Estace Walters asked if the Township could request to review their Stormwater Plans for any proposed construction. Michael responded that we could, but they may not be willing to provide plans, and they may get waivers from the State.

ARPA Funds, Treasury Department Closeout Report

Michael Corcoran provided a wrap-up summary of Elk's Reports to the Treasury Department regarding the closeout of the ARPA funds account. The funding received was primarily spent on road repairs, with a small portion allocated to much-needed Township building repairs, including floor joist replacements and exterior painting.

Election Day, May 20th

Estace Walters reminded everyone to Vote next week.

STAFF REPORTS Secretary's Report

On a motion made by Estace Walters, seconded by Milt Rudy, the April 7th, 2025, Board of Supervisors' Meeting Minutes were approved. The vote was unanimous.

Treasurer's Report

Michael Corcoran reported the totals of the bills to be paid for April. On a motion made by Estace Walters seconded by Milton Rudy, the bills to be paid, except Roadmaster, were approved.

Tax Collector

April 2025: \$7165.43

Planning Commission

Mary Gruber reported that they had reviewed the Walters Subdivision plan and found no issues. However, the Planning Commission wanted to know whether the Agricultural Preservation Board had also reviewed it. Michael responded that the Chester County Planning Commission was currently reviewing it.

Historical Commission

No Report.

Zoning Hearing Board

No action.

Roadmaster

Estate Walters read his monthly report; 25 tires was collected and disposed of. A tree was removed from Kings Row Rd. and Old Forge Rd. Chris Weaver has begun mowing around the Township. In addition, Estate thanked everyone who participated in Township clean-up day.

Emergency Management Coordinator

Milt Rudy read his notes to the audience. At the April AGREM meeting, Chris Christiansen reported that the upgrades to the county Radio system are expected in the Fall, and pagers may be issued. On April 24th, an open house for Hazard Mitigation Planning will be held at the Coatesville Training Center from 5:30 –7:30. It will include a presentation of the Brandywine flood study. Lots of training opportunities are upcoming. Dave Flad is planning to set up AGREM-site-based NFIP flood maps by township. He needs information on township road closures and openings to keep the AM radio station 1670 current. The Jennersville Christiana Hospital will open on August 25th; the ribbon cutting will be May 17th.

Milt said he plans to attend 16 hours of PEMA Eastern Area Office In-Service Training (IST) on 13 and 14 of May. Milt will also participate in the MD/Arc Corner HIP Draft for Review and Task Force Meeting at 5:00 on May 15.

Oxford Area Recreation Authority (OARA)

Estate Walters read a report from OARA; they are still in need of a member from Oxford Boro and Elk Township

TRAILS REPORT

No report.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Suzzane Dougherty stated that a tractor-trailer hit the road sign at the intersection of Strickersville and Chesterville Rd. She also commented that the new paving on Strickersville Rd. has steep drop-offs and is unsafe. Antea Consorto commented that there was just an accident before the bridge on Strickersville

when a car went off the road and lost control. Suzzane added that the runoff from the Christ King's farm on Schoolhouse Road is excessive and needs attention. Michael commented that he had received a formal zoning complaint about the runoff and would address it.

Estate added that someone dumped a sofa in the Barrens parking lot and that we would be receiving the SD cards from the trail cameras in the parking lot.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comment

Meeting Adjourned at 8:17PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Corcoran
Secretary/ Treasurer