

MILLER TOWNSHIP MEETING

The regular meeting of the Miller Township Board of Supervisors (BOS) was held Tuesday, December 30, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the Miller Township Municipal Building at 554 Old Limekiln Lane. Supervisors present were Scott Seltzer, Brian Kish and Bethany Burger. Visitors present: Lois Schoppy, Christine Campbell, Jessica Kish, Joe Burget Jr., Tammy Troutman, Justan Turnbaugh Sr., Bonnie Heisey, David Little and Anthony Gardner. Chairman S. Seltzer called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. with everyone standing for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman S. Seltzer asked for supervisor's comments on the previous month's minutes. B. Burger shared the performance evaluations for the Road Master and the Secretary/Treasurer were completed on December 22, 2025. Motion made by B. Kish to accept the November minutes, S. Seltzer second, motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by S. Seltzer to appoint Tammy Troutman as auditor for a 2-year term; B. Burger second; motion carried unanimously. Tammy indicated that she plans to run in the spring primary to officially be elected for a 6-year term.

Oath of Office was administered by Notary Jessica Kish for Lois Schoppy (Tax Collector), Bethany Burger (Supervisor) and Tammy Troutman (appointed auditor). Congratulations extended to all three who were sworn in this evening.

Visitors:

- Lois Schoppy
- Christine Campbell – Subdivision plans being presented by Burget Associates.
- Jessica Kish – Providing notary services
- Joe Burget Jr. – Presenting subdivision plans for Christine Campbell during Planning Commission portion of meeting
- Tammy Troutman – Appointment and being sworn in as auditor
- Justan Turnbaugh Sr. – Planning Commission
- Bonnie Heisey - Planning Commission
- David Little – Building Permit
- Anthony Gardner

Sign Permits:

- Thomas Bear (demolition of garage at 84 Mahanoy Valley Road). Motion made to approve the permit by S. Seltzer, seconded by B. Burger; motion carried unanimously.
- David Maschak (enclosure of porch as additional living space at 317 Mahanoy Valley Road) Motion made to approve the permit by S. Seltzer; seconded by B. Burger; motion carried unanimously,
- David Little (new modular at 165 Little Lane) Motion made by S. Seltzer to table the permit until the plan goes before the Planning Commission for review; seconded by B. Burger; motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report was given to supervisors as follows:

Balances as of November 30, 2025	
General Fund	\$73,190.52
State Fund (Liquid Fuels)	\$33,697.40
Savings Account	\$77,063.34

Motion made to accept the Treasurer's report as explained and presented by S. Seltzer, B. Kish second; motion carried unanimously.

Proposed 2026 Budget Presentation

The proposed budget for 2026 had been previously advertised and was presented to the supervisors along with explanation. Highways Roads and Streets had the largest increase due to the addition of a 4th member of the road crew. Adjustment was also made to include potential revenue for the increase in tax millage for Real Estate and Fire Taxes. Treasurer will be implementing a new method of tracking budget income vs expenses for next year which will be shared with the supervisors on a monthly basis, which will give a better snapshot of our budget. Motion made by S. Seltzer to approve the budget for 2026 as presented, seconded by B. Burger. Motion carried unanimously.

Secretary's Report:

- Denial Letter for Miske & Huss subdivision (copy in packet) which addresses perk and probe tests on property due to new administration at DEP and "old" testing not being acceptable with primary and secondary sites. New testing done and plans will be resubmitted with approval letter.
- Review of invoice from PSATS – we are currently paying for numerous PA Township News Subscriptions. Request made to change the subscriptions for S. Seltzer and B. Kish to digital subscriptions only.
- Spoke with Mike Weigel (PennDOT) who we were referred to by Rick Levan who is our regional PennDOT representative about the sale of the 2003 Ford truck to Wayne Township in the fall and the proper handling of the funds received. We were advised that since the original purchase of the truck was so aged and would be difficult to provide proof of the original purchase (where funds came from), it would be best to transfer the \$9,000 that had been deposited into the State Fund (Liquid Fuels) account into the General Fund account, which was done on December 22, 2025.
- Signature by township to appoint a deputy tax collector, Jill Walter
- Income vs. Expense (*in packet*) Due to current and anticipated expenses out of Liquid Fuels checking account, motion was made by S. Seltzer to move \$20,000 from Pennian Bank (State Savings) to be deposited into Orrstown Bank State Fund checking account; seconded by B. Kish; motion carried unanimously.

Motion made to accept Secretary's report as presented made by S. Seltzer, second by B. Burger; motion carried unanimously.

Code Enforcement Officer (CEO): None

Planning Commission:

- Motion made by S. Seltzer to approve the revised minutes from the Planning Commission; B. Kish second. Motion carried unanimously.
- Discussion on the permit for Stahl & Campbell and the need for a paved driveway due to number of residential structures on property. Plan approved in 2003 vs. current plan. Purpose of subdivision plan is to move property lines for lots owned by Christine Campbell. Driveway with 3 or more residences need to be paved according to current SALDO. Plan was approved by the township in 2003 (which is prior to revised SALDO) with documented same number of residences in April of 2003 – not adding any new users to plans already approved. New subdivision plans will be submitted with comment – if any further subdivision plans created, would have to be approved by township under current specifications (additional residences will require paved driveway). Planning Commission will approve with the addition of the comment.
- David Little's property needs land development plan to be presented to Planning Commission before township approves the permit.

Motion made by S. Seltzer to approve Planning Commission's report; B. Burger seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Emergency Management Coordinator (EMC): No report

Road Master's Report (RM):

- Road checks
- Install chains and plow on International truck
- Took delivery of one load of salt and three loads of anti-skid
- Mix salt and anti-skid in preparation for use
- Pretreat roads (12/1, 12/22, 1n3 12/26)
- Plow, salt and/or cinder roads (12/2, 12/10, 12/16, 12/16 and 12/27)
- Greased JCB Backhoe
- Install new stop sign at intersection of Turkey Path Road and Old Limekiln Lane
- Wash equipment
- Paint plow for International truck
- Pick up 550 Ford truck from 711 Fab Works after repairs completed
- Attempted to visit Federal Surplus
- Begin repair on 2 broken augers and motors (needed to spread salt/cinders). One can be repaired but motor needs totally replaced on second one. Blain Supply will be rebuilding one motor, so spreader motor was delivered to them.
- Reassemble spreader motor and now waiting on receipt of new auger
- 550 Ford sent to Hoover Brothers for inspection
- Clear trees on Narrows Road, Old Limekiln Lane and Mahanoy Valley Road
- Set up garage for supervisors meeting

In the absence of the Road Master who was called out for tree on the road, S. Seltzer explained the protector grill for the JCB backhoe will need to be replaced at some point. Temporary repairs made to keep equipment in use. Motion made by B. Burger to accept Road Master's report, second by S. Seltzer; motion carried unanimously.

Outstanding/Pending from Previous Meeting:

- Dash cameras have been received and need installed. The Road Master has been reviewing the installation instructions prior to placing in the vehicles.
- B. Burger also asked what the status was for the Recycling project which will be coordinated with Sylvester – need to check with County and/or DEP for meeting deadline if required.

Supervisors Comments: No comments

Approval of Expenditures: Motion made by S. Seltzer to approve expenditures for the month of December. B. Burger second; motion passed unanimously.

Motion to pay bills and sign checks made by S, Seltzer, B. Burger second. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made to adjourn at 7:53 pm made by S. Seltzer, B. Burger second. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Eloise M. Miller
Secretary/Treasurer
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