



**RANSOM TOWNSHIP
LACKAWANNA COUNTY**

October 6, 2025
Supervisors' Monthly Meeting

Chairman Bird called the Meeting to Order at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Chairman Bird, Vice Chairman Wells and Supervisor Scott - present – Quorum declared

In attendance: Charles Samsock, Fred Banks, Bob Lukasiewicz, Jerry Blackwell, Lenay Blackwell, and Chief LaCoe, NRVFC.

Minutes from the September 8, 2025, meeting were read by Secretary – Vice-Chairman Wells made a motion to accept the minutes as read – 2nd by Supervisor Scott- all in favor – motion carried

POLICE REPORT: Police Chief Brian Holland has reported 46 police responses in Ransom Township including traffic stops, building and welfare checks with the heaviest concentration being health related emergency calls.

FIRE REPORT: Chief LaCoe shared that the NRVFC responded to 23 calls-13 calls in Newton and 10 calls in Ransom. All calls were for EMS services.

TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS: Chairman Bird advised that fall clean-up dates would be October 10 from 7am to 7pm and October 11 from 7am to Noon. He also shared that representatives of Renewal by Anderson had obtained peddling permits and were expected to use them soon.

SOLICITOR: Solicitor Conaboy affirmed that both the solar and gun range proposals were still processing through the court. The judge wants to remand the gun range back to Ransom Township's Zoning Hearing Board.

SUPERVISORS: Supervisor Scott shared that the removal of debris from Gardner Creek on township property was completed. The road paving project is now underway.

ZONING: No report.

STAFF REPORT: Chairman Bird reported on the following:

1. Treasury Report:
 - General Fund: \$2,100,370.53
 - Liquid Fuels: \$1,586,053.24
 - Revenues: \$37,068.26
 - Expenditure: \$91,879.14
2. Recycling for September was 4.54 tons. This month's recycling date will be October 24.

Next Planning Commission Meeting will be Monday October 20, 2025 @ 6:30 pm at the Township Building. Next Supervisor's Meeting will be Monday, November 10, 2025 @ 6:00 pm at 2435 Hickory Lane.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Charles Samsock informed us of downed wires for Frontier. He asked if Solicitor Conaboy would send a letter to the PUC. The team agreed that this was doable, and Jerry would gather the numbers from the affected poles. Solicitor Conaboy would then send the letter.

Jerry and Lenay Blackwell shared their experience with Xfinity impersonators calling customers to say they were lowering bills by \$20.00. It was a scam. They shared this so Ransom residents would not be taken in by the scam.

Having no further business, Supervisor Wells motioned to adjourn the meeting and Chairman Bird seconded it. Meeting adjourned at 6:15pm.

Respectfully submitted:



Julie Kelly
Secretary