

April 6, 2026
Supervisors' Monthly Meeting

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

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

In attendance: Mark Cordelli, Dean P. Johnson, Amy McCracken, Brian McCracken, Lenay Blackwell, Jerry Blackwell, Robert Lukasiewicz, Adrienne Fors (WM), Glenn Kempa (WM), Charles Samsok, Cheryl Macheska, Paula Noto, Tom Summerhill Sr, Jen Wells, Heidi Smith, Fire Chief Summerhill and Patrol Officer Rob Zuby.

Minutes from the March 2, 2026, meeting will be shared online– Vice Chairman Wells made a motion to accept the minutes – 2nd by Supervisor Scott– all in favor –motion carried

FIRE REPORT: Chief Summerhill gave the fire report citing 31 calls for March -7 fires-24 EMS-9 in Ransom-19 in Newton. Tom asked if they could put a roadway in down to the crick to make it easier to get water. Jerry feels it is doable.

POLICE REPORT: Patrol Officer Rob Zuby who has been with the Taylor Police for 30 years reported that Taylor police had responded to 154 total incidents mostly building checks, patrols, road hazards, accidents and welfare checks, one DUI arrest, a suspicious person, 1 ATV complaint, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, abandoned vehicle, PFA violation, and a neighbor dispute among others .

ZONING: No report.

TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS: Chairman Bird asked for a motion to appoint William J. Rinaldi as township solicitor. Supervisor Wells made the motion to appoint Mr. Rinaldi to township supervisor seconded by Supervisor Scott-all in favor – motion carried. Chairman Bird asked for a motion to appoint Attorney Tom Cummings as our Zoning Solicitor. Supervisor Wells made the motion, seconded by Supervisor Scott-all in favor – motion carried.

Leeann from the Lackawanna County Recorder of Deeds came to discuss the free program to receive a notification if anything is recorded against your deed. If you enroll, you will be notified on the day off the recording. Their department will work with you to resolve the issue.

Glenn Kempa and Adrienne Fors gave an update for Waste Management. First, Glenn cited John Hambrose's retirement. He shared capping schedules for the landfill. Adrienne introduced herself. She has been with Waste Management for 20 years. She is working on getting our Spring clean-up ready. She is hoping to do some tours and enhanced community involvement.

SUPERVISORS: The Supervisors opted to table the Fees and Costs Ordinance and fee review discussion pending further review by the township engineer. Jerry shared that the bridge for Spring Drive construction will start in 3 weeks.

SOLICITOR: Attorney Rinaldi has provided a comprehensive to the Supervisors as he works to get up to speed with the township's current legal issues.

STAFF REPORT: Chairman Bird reported on the following:

1. Treasury Report:
 - General Fund: \$2,046,943.85
 - Liquid Fuels: \$1,273,621.10
 - Revenues: \$68,897.93
 - Expenditure: \$49,943.79
- 2 Recycling for March was 4.55 tons. This month's recycling date will be April 24.

Next Planning Commission Meeting will be Monday April 20, 2026 @ 6:30 pm at the Township Building. Next Supervisor's Meeting will be Monday, May 4, 2026 @ 6:00 pm at 2435 Hickory Lane

PUBLIC COMMENT

Paula Noto asked if there was any word on the solar farm. Attorney Rinaldi updated that they filed the appeal, we filed our certified record, and we are waiting for a briefing schedule notice.

Cheryl Macheska advised the conference attendees to network with other municipalities about data centers as they seem to be trying to locate in our area.

Amy McCracken asked where the proposed zoning ordinance for data centers that the Planning Commission has been working on is. When they have finished it will be sent to the Supervisors sooner than later.

Mark Cordelli discussed a variety of events being sponsored by the county. He recommended getting dog licenses as the warden is out. The county is hiring certified Red Cross lifeguards for public pools. He spoke on Start Strong Together, a program for young families needing assistance. The Arts and Cultures department is looking for artists to transform 13 wooden stars to celebrate USA 250. McDade will hold an event on April 25th. Earth Day. The Armed Forces Day Parade will be May 16th.

Having no further business, Supervisor Wells motioned to adjourn the meeting, and Supervisor Scott seconded it – all in favor – motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:31pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Julie Kelly
Secretary