Maidencreek Township Board of Supervisors
August 14, 2025
6:00 p.m.

Attending: David Franke, Eric Bauman, Christina Hafer, Eric Frey, Esq. of E. Kenneth Nyce Law Office, Pamela Stevens of Systems Design Engineering

Guests: Keith Shuman (Road Foreman), Dan Miller, Fire Chief at Blandon Fire Company, Donna Culp, Anthony Spero, Aaron Rogers, Sal Folino, Brittany Blose, Gavin Milligan, Jesiah Newsome, Nancy Runyon, Charles Voorhis, Heidi Fiedler, and other guests.

Eric Bauman called the regular meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. with the Pledge to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

David Franke motioned to approve the August 14, 2025, Agenda. Eric Bauman seconded the motion, and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

David Franke motioned to approve the July 10, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes. Eric Bauman seconded the motion, and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

PERSONAL APPEARANCES AND PUBLIC COMMENT

Heidi Fiedler, 432 East Wesner Road, asked what they had completed to warrant the release of the Maiden Creek Associates escrow. Pamela Stevens said she can answer that question when they get to the escrow release. Ms. Fiedler also questioned the noise issue from the warehouse and asked why Maidencreek Township and Northern Berks Regional Police would not enforce the noise ordinance. David Franke said that his understanding was that the police could not hear the noise from the Berks County Memorial Gardens, and did not hear a lot of noise, and stated they would talk with the solicitor about the noise ordinance.

REPORTS

Northern Berks Regional Police – Mr. Franke read the NBRPD report and said National Night Out was again a success with over 5000 people attending. He thanked the Park and Recreation Board and the volunteers for their participation.

Engineering & Zoning Reports – Pamela Stevens

Pamela Stevens announced that the Planning Commission meeting for August 27, 2025, will be canceled due to no plans this month.
The 8688 Allentown Pike Subdivision Plan and waivers were approved at the July 10, 2025, meeting and will be recorded soon.
The next series of seven basins is to be inspected with the 5-year MS4 Permit.
Melrose Place update with no embankment failure.

Sal Folino asked for the request of release of the escrow, saying everything was complete in 2020. They have a service agreement for the basin they own once a week.
Eric Frey recommended releasing the escrow. The project was completed in 2019, and the maintenance agreement was for 36 months, which ended in 2021. The Melrose Place HOA is responsible for the other basin.

UGI is relocating the gas line at the Cornerstone Bridge, and the bridge is ordered. The roadwork will start on Tuesday.

SDE has completed the stormwater complaint from 129 Stirling Street.

The 2025 road paving will begin on August 19th for East Wesner Road from Park Road to Route 73 and Guldin Road from East Wesner Road to Park Road.

Consideration of approval of escrow release #1 for Maiden Creek Associates.

David Franke motioned to authorize the release of the escrow reduction for $737,179.18 for Maiden Creek Associates. Eric Bauman seconded the motion, hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

Solicitor – Eric Frey, Esq.

Consideration of the Melrose Place Escrow release request.

David Franke motioned to release the Melrose Place Escrow of $43,262.10 plus accrued interest, seconded by Eric Bauman. Hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

Charles L. Voorhies asked about the legal issues involved, and Mr. Frey explained that SDE had inspected the issues and fixed them several times, and the Township is not involved in the legal matters.

Eric Frey apologized for being late.

Public Works – Keith Shuman

Keith Shuman said they are working on road patching, specifically Marden Drive, Lindbergh Avenue, and Sunset Avenue. The improvements to the yard waste site are complete. Mr. Shuman said they will be working on the streetlights in the next few weeks.

Park and Recreation – Aaron Rogers

Request for a community board to be installed at the Community Park to promote Park and Recreation events.

Aaron Rogers said this would be for informational promotions for events and also to post regulations if necessary. David Franke asked Aaron to look for prices for the next Board of Supervisors meeting in September.

Veterans Memorial

Mr. Rogers said the Lions Club agreed to donate money towards the memorial. They are looking for designs and prices, and thanked Anthony Spero from the Lions Club. The Board said Mr. Meck is working on some designs as well. Aaron will set up a Google Drive so the public can donate. They will also have a fundraiser to help out with the cost.

Upcoming events, Movie Night, Food Truck Fridays, and Flea Market & Craft Show.

Minecraft will be featured at Movie Night at the Community Park on Friday, August 22nd, at 7:30 pm, and food trucks will be at the event. Food Truck Friday will start on September 5th, every Friday from 4 pm to 7 pm. Ten percent of the proceeds will be donated to the Park and Recreation Board. The Flea Market/Craft Show is on October 4th from 10 am to 2 pm. Food Trucks will also be there.

America's semiquincentennial, July 4, 2026.

The Park and Recreation would like to plan a celebration for this event and is asking for ideas to start the planning process.

NEW BUSINESS

Adopt Resolution 21-2025, entering into the MS4 Steering Committee Agreement.

David Franke motioned to adopt Resolution 21-2025, entering into the MS4 Steering Committee Agreement, seconded by Eric Bauman. Hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

Fill a vacancy on the Planning Commission. Term Ends 12/31/2025. Anthony Spero and Dan Brown are interested in filling the position.

David Franke motioned to nominate Dan Brown to fill the Planning Commission vacancy with the term ending December 31, 2025. Eric Bauman seconded the motion, and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

Approve closure of Hoch Road on November 15, 2025, for one hour for a 5k run sponsored by Boy Scout Troop 103 of Fleetwood.

David Franke motioned to approve the closure of Hoch Road on November 15, 2025, for one hour for a 5k run sponsored by Boy Scout Troop 103 of Fleetwood. Eric Bauman seconded the motion, and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

Approve payment of $32,824.03 to Met Ed to move lines for design and construction at Cornerstone Drive Bridge.

A motion was made by David Franke to approve payment of $32,824.03 to Met-Ed to relocate lines for design and construction at the Cornerstone Drive Bridge. Eric Bauman seconded the motion, and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

Approval of the bills and acceptance of the Treasurer's Report as presented.

David Franke made a motion to approve the bills and accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Eric Bauman seconded the motion, and hearing no question on the motion, it passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Charles L. Voorhies, 284 West Walnut Tree Drive, stated that since the Township taxes have doubled, does it mean that the warehouse taxes will double? Eric Frey said the warehouse taxes will be reassessed for the value of the building when it is completed.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by David Franke and seconded by Eric Bauman. The meeting was adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christina Hafer
Recording Secretary