

MEETING WEDNESDAY 6-3-2026 6:00P.M.
Municipal Bldg. 306 Byron Street McGrann

In attendance: Supervisors Palmer and Hecker, Chief Robbins, and Secretary Davis
Citizens: Ricki Evans, Cody Martin, Rita Black, Steve Black, Larry Cecchi, Carol Cecchi, Roger Toy and Dennis Phillips from Leader Times.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Palmer at 6:00P.M. followed by the pledge of allegiance.

A moment of silence in remembrance of Supervisor Southworth.

Minutes of 5/15/2026 regular meeting were distributed, motion to approve by Hecker, seconded by Palmer, no public comment heard, carried.

Palmer has been working on an ordinance for Data Centers. Palmer stated the news has had coverage on data centers for the last 6 months. It has become a nationwide issue with the US competing with China and Russia to stay ahead of the AI Curve. Palmer said he has spent hours researching for good and bad about these centers. The big problem is a lot of people don't understand what they are and other areas have put protections in place for the community. If they move into the area, it impacts the area in a lot of negative ways. They hire a lot of employees and impact the economy in hopes of a tax break; we wouldn't see a tax benefit until LERTA is over. Electric company would need to upgrade the lines because their consumption is 10X the usage now and electric rates would go up. They use tons of water for cooling so the water and septic systems would need upgraded at the tax payer's expense. In Ohio people are experiencing health issues and hearing loss. If an ordinance is in place and a center moves in it will tell them what they must do. The Solicitor has approved the ordinance and provided an ad for the Leader Times. Governor Shapiro is in favor of the data centers because of the amount paid to the state. Palmer made a motion to advertise the Data Center Ordinance and adopt it at the June 19th meeting, seconded by Hecker, Cecchi said blindsided and we need more sewage. Hecker said it will be a burden to the infrastructure and the water, need better infrastructure. Cecchi is opposed to shutting business down, we should be positive not negative. Hecker said you will be the first to complain when bills go up. Cecchi said he opposes anything that stops business. Palmer said for years you have complained about taxes. Cecchi said the township keeps spending and the police are out of control. He said we all want our children to work here but it is a welfare county. Palmer said his concerns are health issues and infrastructure for 10 jobs. Cecchi said the surveys showed 50% were against more police, Robbins told him he could do a ride along with an officer. Cecchi said we can't afford 24-hour coverage. Toy said water authority had 2 jobs and only received 5 applications, no one wants to work. Palmer said the national average for a data center is \$17.50 an hour, Phillips ask if approved to advertise, Palmer said yes, carried.

Palmer stated we are still accepting applications for a Township Supervisor, we have received 2 so far. Cecchi ask the deadline, Palmer told him June 10th. Cecchi said you need someone that is going to work and help with grants and things. Palmer stated he isn't paid just a bored retired person.

Police Business:

Police report was read by Chief Robbins. Hecker made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Palmer, no public comment heard, carried. Palmer said last year we approved a new police car and we would sell 2, we are in the process of selling the 2

cars. Palmer said the new car will be here in a few weeks, Cecchi ask what kind, Palmer told him a Ford Explorer.

EMC Report:

Evans said they are having a rescue task force meeting again. She will give Davis the information to register them for KEMA Conference. Palmer stated in April 2025 we had the storm that took lines and trees down and we didn't have anything to close roads except old wooden horses. We have budgeted and purchased signs, barricades and a trailer to haul them on for traffic control. The reason for the trailer is in an emergency you can back in and go. Palmer stated we also purchased 2 signs that say police emergency ahead. Cecchi ask if we purchased cones, Palmer told him yes 20 or 25. Hecker made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Palmer, no public comment heard, carried.

Fire Department Report:

Evans read there were 33 incidents in May. They are having a vendor show this Saturday. Hecker ask about the quint, Palmer said McAfoose told him they are 90 days out or more. Hecker made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Palmer, no public comment heard, carried. Palmer said after the incident last year at the horse park he has helped them put together an emergency action plan.

Road Foreman Report:

Thanked the supervisors for the barricades and signs. Clean up filled 8 dumpsters, 2 with scrap and a load of televisions. They are mowing and have installed new guiderails on Fair Street. Fixed the guiderails in Dogtown and have the school mowed for graduation. Wants to tar and chip Goat Hill, bottom of Guthrie Road, Fairway to Campbell and Byron Street. Summer help and the new hire are working out well. Cecchi ask about Fort Run Road, Toy said not this year. Toy said they are going to work on leveling it out, Cecchi said double seal with #2 and then #1. Cecchi said he was at the building about getting wood and they have done a nice job of cleaning up the place. Robbins said he tried to get a couple people that needed community service for clean up days and nobody showed, Roger's point nobody wants to work. Cecchi said they used community service to paint the firehall. Robbins said if anyone needs community service to contact him. Hecker made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Palmer, no public comment heard, carried.

Other Business:

Last week Palmer called West Penn about street light upgrades. Apparently, they have an internal problem and can't invoice us for the work. West Penn informed Palmer the street lights at Riverside are being removed. PennDot is putting their own up but don't know who will pay the electric bill. There isn't a maintenance agreement yet.

Comments:

Rita Black – came to see where tax money goes and thanked Roger.

Larry Cecchi – thanked the board for letting him vent, nothing personal. The police are doing a good job but it is the money thing.

Palmer – said we received an email about the light at the park shining into a woman's windows, Palmer is looking for a deflector. Cecchi said about the electric bill at the park and ask if people use the park, Palmer told him a lot of people use the park.

Cody Martin – told Roger the end of Hawk Hollow is falling apart. Roger said it is on his list to address, wants to do where the mill and fill left off to Garretts Run Road. He ask if there are any permits for the Cadet, Palmer told him no it is a legal matter. He ask about building permits, Palmer told him to file a RTK request.

Public Service:

Robbins said there are 2 black bears between Lenape and Sheetz please take down your bird feeders and cover your garbage. There is also a bear in the area of Sheetz on Route 422.

Robbins said there was a motorcycle versus bear crash near Grantz Hollow Road, person injured will be alright. Hecker said you can use ammonia to deter bears.

Robbins said the senior parade is at 7PM and will last an hour or so with seniors on a float.

Robbins said graduation is Friday at 5:00P.M. outside. The police will have a presence there and will run the light on Buffington so please be patient.

Motion to pay the bills by Hecker, and give the secretary the authority to pay any bills until the next meeting, seconded by Palmer, no public comment heard, carried.

Motion to adjourn by Hecker, seconded by Palmer, no public comment heard, carried.
Adjourned at 6:50P.M.

Jill A. Davis, Secretary