

**SPRING GARDEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**BUSINESS MEETING PUBLIC AGENDA**  
**JULY 8, 2026 – 6:30 PM**

Persons Present:

David Detwiler, President Commissioner (remote)    Anne Gray, Commissioner  
Andrew Herrold, Vice President Commissioner    Jonathan Pinkerton, Commissioner  
Thomas Gwilt, Commissioner

**I. Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance**

This meeting is being live streamed to provide online access and recorded for the purpose of drafting minutes. Commissioner Detwiler is attending by phone. An executive session was held prior to the meeting to discuss legal matters.

**Statement of Appreciation:** The Board of Commissioners would like to extend their sincere appreciation to New Life Bible Church of York and Community Bible Church of Marietta for hosting 30 high school student volunteers to weed and mulch the flower beds and trees in Violet Hill Park on July 1<sup>st</sup>. They worked through the heat and did a fantastic job, and the park looks great!!

**Suspension of the Board of Commissioners Meeting**

Commissioner Herrold suspended the Business Meeting for the purpose of holding a public hearing.

**Public Hearing – Partial Rezoning Map Amendment to Copper Beech Drive Parcel**

**-Open the Hearing**

The applicant is requesting a partial rezoning of 1.21 acres of the tax parcel 48000350084 from R-1 to AO to allow for a future parking garage use.

**-Public Comment**

**-Conclude Hearing**

**MOTION (Gray/Gwilt)** to conclude the Public Hearing. Discussion: None. Public Comment: None. 5/0. Carries.

**MOTION (Gray/Gwilt)** to resume the Business Meeting. Discussion: None. Public Comment: None. 5/0. Carries.

**A. Presentations – None**

**B. Public Comment**

Jeff Lander of 517 S Yale St – expressed concerns with traffic on his street including speeding and large truck traffic. He submitted a petition with 34 signatures from neighbors requesting the issue be addressed with installing stop signs. There was discussion regarding options for traffic control; including that stop signs are not intended for speed control. The Commissioners noted they are looking into other speed deterrent options such as road treatments or signage.

Annette Arnold of 1726 Second Ave – noted that since the addition of the bike lanes on Belmont St she has seen an increase of people running the stop signs, coming close to/or hitting trees. She has not seen many bikes using the lanes. The Public Works

Superintendent noted that they have noted trees that need to be trimmed per the Ordinance to allow safe passage of vehicles.

Susan Bachant of 1749 Second Ave – suggested changing the intersection to better handle the true flow of traffic.

Roberta Boffo of 1080 Grandview Rd – noted a passage from a Right-to-Know request document that supports her thoughts on the land use for 1799 Mt. Rose Ave.

**C. Meeting Minutes Approval**

**MOTION (Pinkerton/Gray)** to approve the Business Meeting Minutes of June 10, 2026.

Discussion: None. Public Comment: None. 5/0. Carries.

**D. Finance**

**MOTION (Pinkerton/Gray)** to accept the June 2026 Treasurer's Report and Bank

Transactions. Discussion: None. Public Comment: None. 5/0. Carries.

**E. Subdivision / Land Development**

**1. Partial Rezoning Map Amendment to Copper Beech Drive Parcel**

**MOTION (Detwiler/Pinkerton)** to deny partial rezoning of 1.21 acres of tax parcel 48000350084 from R-1 to AO. Discussion: Commissioner Gray noted concerns with traffic and use. Public Comment: None. 4/0. Commissioner Herrold Abstained due to conflict of interest. Carries.

**2. 700 N Sherman LLC PennDOT HOP Work Full Security Release**

**MOTION (Pinkerton/Gray)** to ratify the Manager's authorization for the Engineer to inspect improvements of the 700 N Sherman LLC PennDOT HOP work and to release the security subject to PennDOT concurrence based on the Engineer's recommendations. Discussion: None. Public Comment: None. 5/0. Carries.

**F. Old Business**

**1. Tri Hill Sanitary and Stormwater Sewer Project**

**i) Application for Payment, AFP #3**

**MOTION (Pinkerton/Gwilt)** to approve AFP #3 in the amount of \$148,964.73 to CPA Pavement Services with \$84,553.07 from Liquid Fuels and \$64,411.66 from Sewer Fund. Discussion: Commissioner Gray asked about the current work. Public Works Superintendent stated it was sewer lining. Public Comment: None. 5/0. Carries.

**2. Hoffman Road Sewer Project (Includes Paving in 2027)**

**i) Project Award**

Project's lowest bid was \$434,000 over budget at \$1,483,882 by Farhat Excavating, LLC. To keep the project within budget, the stormwater portion of the project has been removed and will become a future project.

**MOTION (Gray/Pinkerton)** to award the Hoffman Road Sanitary Sewer project to Farhat Excavating, LLC for \$1,058,312 with \$145,875 from Liquid Fuels, \$904,537 from Sewer Fund, and \$7,900 from General Fund for rolled curbing. Discussion: None. Public Comment: Ricky Dubbs of 545 S Ogontz St asked for clarification on project scheduling and cost. 5/0. Carries.

**3. Project Funding**

**MOTION (Gray/Pinkerton)** to direct staff to transfer the Janney sewer revenue funds to sewer checking to fund the Hoffman Road Project and to close the Janney investment account. Discussion: None. Public Comment: None. 5/0. Carries.

**4. PA American Water and Aqua Merger – Cost Share of Legal Expenses**

**MOTION (Gwilt/Gray)** to approve a total of \$1,318.48 in sewer funds to West Manchester Township for the Township's portion of legal fees from Obermayer Law Firm. Discussion: None. Public Comment: Roberta Boffo of 1080 Grandview Rd requested clarification. It was clarified that this is just to be included in discussions as an interested party to ensure the agreement in place remain in place. 5/0. Carries.

**G. New Business**

**1. Chapter 145- Fire Prevention Ordinance Amendment**

Ordinance amendment would modify the adopted fire code to require submission of itemized reports for fire protection appliances and systems when work and inspections are completed.

**MOTION (Gwilt/Pinkerton)** to direct staff and Solicitor to draft and advertise an ordinance amendment to Chapter 145 – Fire Protection. Discussion: Chief Hoff noted that the amendment would close a loop in the fire code to help keep commercial property fire suppression systems maintained and inspected. Public Comment: None. 5/0. Carries.

**H. Commissioner Constituent Representation**

- 1. Commissioner Detwiler, Ward 1** – Thanked the Zoning Officer for help addressing a complaint from a constituent.
- 2. Commissioner Pinkerton, Ward 2** – Noted the County Comprehensive Plan is in a public comment period until August 21, 2026. Thanked the Public Works Superintendent for a tour of Public Works facilities. Noted that he heard the concerns about the bike lane and that it is a tricky intersection that adding the bike lane will require ideas to improve.
- 3. Commissioner Gray, Ward 3** – Noted about the multi-modal study for Queen St that is in progress. The engineer noted some of the items being reviewed such as; sight lines, pedestrian, and bike access. There was also discussion about the status of the Greendale sewer timeline, and it was noted that options are still being reviewed and it is a few years away, but there will be notices and public hearings before any major plans are decided.
- 4. Commissioner Herrold, Ward 4** - None
- 5. Commissioner Gwilt, Ward 5** - None

**I. Township Consultants, Contracted Services, Departments**

**1. Township Consultants**

i) **Solicitor** - None

ii) **Engineer** - Made note of the map of future greenways that should be included in York County's Comprehensive Plan update (including Mill Creek and Tyler Run). Staff confirm this was sent to the County as part of the Township's comments.

iii) **Fire Department / York Area United Fire and Rescue** - None

iv) **Police Department / York County Regional Police Department** - None

Commissioners Gray and Herrold noted about National Night Out on August 4, 2026 at the park in Dallastown.

**2. Township Administration**

i) **Manager** - None

ii) **Zoning and Codes Enforcement** - None

iii) **Public Works** - None

iv) **Recreation** - Noted that 4<sup>th</sup> Friday was coming up, and runs through September.

**J. Public Comment**

Ricky Dubbs of 545 S Ogontz St - asked about the use of the new bike path.

Roberta Boffo of 1080 Grandview - asked if the recreation commission can make decisions.

**II. Adjourn**

**MOTION (Gwilt/Gray)** to adjourn at 8:08 PM. Discussion: None. Public Comment: None. 5/0. Carries.

Respectfully submitted,

Luther C Wike Jr.  
Township Secretary  
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APPROVED