

September 9, 2025

The regular meeting of the Ligonier Township Supervisors was held Tuesday, September 9, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building with Chairman Erik Ross presiding.

Members Present: Erik Ross, John Beaufort, Dan Resenic, and Stephanie Verna. John Fraser was absent.

Others Present: Township Manager Michael Strelic, Solicitor Dan Hudock, Police Chief Michael Matrunics, and Finance Officer Beverly Warfel.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – Agenda Items

There were no comments from the Public.

COMMENTS FROM THE SUPERVISORS

No comments from the supervisors.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A motion was made by Supervisor Verna and Seconded by Supervisor Resenic to approve the minutes of the August 26th meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE –

- a) Muskie’s Bridge Bench Dedication Event – Invitation to the event for the Supervisors.

REPORTS:

MANAGER REPORT – Mr. Strelic addressed the Township has rented a street sweeper for a week to assist in cleanup for tar and chipping. There is still roadwork the crew is working on. He reminded the Board of the public hearing September 22nd for the solar farm.

SOLICITOR REPORT – Mr. Hudock reported there will be a pre-trial conference for Cherokee Lane October 9. Mr. Strelic and Mr. Krouse will be in attendance to represent the Township.

POLICE REPORT – Chief Matrunics summarized his monthly report and gave an update on trainings. Patrolman Knepper attended training with Westmoreland County detectives on “Turning Tower Data into Actionable Intelligence.” He also gave an update on K-9 Kilo, whose surgery went well. Another fund raiser has been completed with ticket sales split 50/50 between K-9 and SWAT.

TREASURER REPORT – Supervisor Verna gave the Treasurer’s Report.

- a) Fund balance for previous month end

Fund Balances (month end)	August 2025
General Fund	\$ 414,705
General Fund Reserves	\$ 1,664,245
Liquid Fuels Tax Fund	\$ 518,409
Capital Fund Reserves	\$ 66,638
Ligonier Beach Park Fund	\$ 75,558
Developer's Fund*	\$ 70,598
*Fire Insurance Escrow	\$ 40,539
*Escrow	\$ 15,250
*Hydrogreen, LLC	\$ 5,000
*LVSD Capital Project	\$ 5,000
*Mill Creek Memorial Park	\$ 1,209
*Community Garden	\$ 1,100
*Ligonier Trail	\$ 2,500
Total Funds	\$ 2,810,153

Treasurer Verna presented the bill pay list for approval of the bills.

- a) Approval of bill pay list
General Fund: \$ 54,398.46

A motion was made by Supervisor Verna and seconded by Supervisor Beaufort to approve the payment of bills. Motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

- a) Ordinance 2025-OR-3 road openings – This ordinance will require utilities to restore cut-ins curb-to-curb. At the August 26th meeting it was approved to advertise the vote at a regular September meeting. Mr. Strelic will place the ad. The vote is held over to next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

- a) MDF Consolidation Plan – Consolidating 4 properties on Old Forbes Road.

A motion was made by Supervisor Verna and seconded by Supervisor Resenic to approve the MDF Consolidation Plan. The motion passed unanimously.

- b) 2026 CDBG application. Municipal Building ADA upgrades

A motion was made by Supervisor Verna and seconded by Supervisor Resenic to apply to the county for a 2026 Community Development Block Grant for ADA upgrades to the municipal Building. The motion passed unanimously.

- c) 576 Old Lincoln Highway – Tabled pending information from Mr. Strelac regarding the possibility of demolition funds from the County.
- d) Time Capsule – Jackie Horvath was present to discuss the correspondence she sent the Board inviting them to the Muskie’s Bridge Bench Dedication Event. She explained her husband Andrew’s (Muskie’s) legacy will be to take the heartbreak of his death to aid in creating a “bridge” in the health care gap. She is working on creating a time capsule to be installed in the bench to be opened May 2nd 2126 in 100 years on her husband’s birthday. She is asking for the date to be placed in the Township record so it will be remembered.

A motion was made by Supervisor Resenic and seconded by Supervisor Beaufort to approve the installation of a bench and time capsule on the walking trail, with the time capsule to be opened May 2, 2126. The motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no Executive Session.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – All other items

Paul Knupp asked a question regarding when Ramsey Road Bridge repair would be completed. Mr. Strelac responded that the Township’s engineer is working on permitting.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS FROM THE SUPERVISOR

There were no comments from the Supervisors.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

A motion was made by Supervisor Verna and seconded by Supervisor Resenic to adjourn the meeting. All of the board was in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly Warfel
Assistant Secretary/Finance Officer