Barrett Township Supervisors
Minutes of Regular Meeting on May 14, 2025 – 5:30 PM

A regular meeting of the Barrett Township Supervisors was held on Wednesday May 14, 2025, at the Administrative Offices on Route 390 in Cresco, PA. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M. by Pam Gardsy.

Present: Pam Gardsy, Kelly Slinger, Grover Cleveland, Darryl Speicher, Nichole Irvin, and the public.
Absent: Patti O'Keefe

There were no public comments on the agenda items.

Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve the Supervisor Meeting Minutes from April 23, 2025. The motion was seconded by Darryl Speicher. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve the payment of the following bills. The motion was seconded by Grover Cleveland. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

Bills from May 7, 2025	
- General: $28,027.53	- Open Space: $85.00
- Parks &Rec: $195.60	- Library: $15,476.93
- Fire: $683.52	- Ambulance: $5,153.04
- LST: $744.74	

Reports:

The following March treasurers' report was read by Pam Gardsy, and a motion was made to approve. The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

April 2025 Treasurers' Report (Ending Balances)	
- General Fund: $399,127.39	- State Fund: $197,021.56
- Fire Fund: $75,132.31	- LST Fund: $2,334.73
- Ambulance Fund: $2.10	- Library: $4.17
- Road Machinery Fund: $72,898.94	- Open Space Fund: $40,944.45
- Park & Rec Fund: $24,887.28	- FK Cap. Loan: $573,000.00

The April 2025 Road Report was read by Darryl Speicher. Various roadway maintenance tasks were performed, winter equipment was removed from maintenance trucks, prepare for paving at Pocono Plateau, and a bi-weekly cleaning of the fish fence at Ice Lake occurred. Darryl Speicher made a motion to approve the April Road report. The motion was seconded by Grover Cleveland. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

Pam Gardsy read the April 2025 Pocono Mountain Regional EMS Report and made a motion to accept the report. Kelly Slinger seconded the motion. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

Pocono Mountain Regional EMS Report – April 2025	
Barrett Township calls in April:	56
Barrett Township YTD:	209
Total coverage area calls in April:	536
Total coverage area calls YTD:	2,397

Pam Gardsy read the Monroe County Monthly Control Center Call Report reporting zero (0) overdoses in the month of April. The year-to-date was four (4). Pam Gardsy made a motion to accept the report. Grover Cleveland seconded the motion. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

Old Business:

Pam Gardsy read the 4 contractor bid applications for the paving of Pocono Plateau Road. A motion was made to table the bid selection for document review until May 28, 2025, at 8:00 A.M. The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

It has been noted that the Zoning Hearing Board Meeting for Jason Delp of 372 Lake Road, has been rescheduled to May 22, 2025 at 6:00 P.M.

Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve the advertising of the 2024 International Property Maintenance Code as the Barrett Township Property Maintenance Code for adoption at the June 11, 2025, meeting at 5:30 P.M. The motion was seconded by Darryl Speicher. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

New Business:

Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve payroll for weeks ending: April 29, 2025. The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

- Gross Wages: $33,829.53
- State Tax Liability: $1,038.56
- Federal Tax Liability: $8,024.06
- Net Wages: $25,805.47

Pam Gardsy made a motion to ratify the lifting of the Township burning ban, in accordance with the Township Ordinance. The ban was in effect April 29 – May 6, 2025. Kelly Slinger seconded the motion. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve applications for firework displays at Skytop Lodge on July 2nd, and July 5th. The July 2nd display will be a private event. The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve the Permit Manager migration which will allow township employees field use of the software. There will be employee training in using the new software on August 21st. The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

Darryl Speicher made a motion to approve the purchase of a skid-steer attachment tool which will assist the township maintenance crew in mowing, and various maintenance operations. The motion was seconded by Grover Cleveland. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

Correspondence:
It was noted that a "Thank You" letter was received from Kettle Creek Environmental Fund for the $100 donation that was made.

Miscellaneous Business:
A Certificate of Insurance was received from the following businesses:
- Burke Construction, LLC.
- Kane Construction, LLC.
- R. Long Construction

Public Comment:
Public comment was received by Devin Marks, one of the owners of Green Gables Estate at 123 Forbes Drive. Devin prepared a statement for the Board of Supervisors explaining the goals and intentions of the property at 123 Forbes Drive. The property is a permitted short-term rental within Barrett Township. Devin wished to notify the Supervisors that they intend to comply with the Township ordinances and remain respectful residents and property owners despite receiving complaints from neighboring properties.

Jennifer Amantea spoke as a neighboring property owner addressing Mr. Marks, voicing her concerns with the campers on the Forbes property.

Karl Stearns made a mention of the Barrett Business Roundtable meeting at BARC on Monday May 19th, 2025, at 4:30PM saying that Rosemary Brown, Pennsylvania State Senator, may be in attendance.

Executive Session:
Pam Gardsy made a motion to enter executive session at 5:55 P.M. The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

Adjourn:
Pam Gardsy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:22 P.M. The motion was seconded by Darryl Speicher. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Nichole Irvin
Zoning Officer/Recording Secretary