

**Johnsonburg Borough**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**June 9, 2025**

Call to Order  
Silent Prayer  
Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Approval of Agenda

Approval of Minutes

- Regular meeting May 12, 2025

Guests & Public Comment on Agenda Items

Reports

- Finance/Bills for Payment
- Mayor
- Police Department
- Fire Department
- Street Department
- Engineering
- Code Enforcement
- Recreation Board
- Council Committees
- Borough Solicitor
- Municipal Authority

Old Business

1. Johnsonburg Community Center water problem

New Business

1. Demolition bids – 305 First Ave., 331 First Ave., & 628 Penn St.

Executive Session (if needed)

Public Comment on Agenda Items

Adjournment

Johnsonburg Borough  
Regular Meeting  
May 12, 2025  
4:00 p.m.

Call to Order  
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Roll Call/Attendance	Title	Present	Absent	Excused
Cherry, Scott	Councilman	X		
Clopp, John	Police Chief	X		
DeAngelo, James	Councilman	X		
DePanfilis, James R.	Councilman	X		
Imbrogno, Louie	Councilman			X
Imbrogno, Tom	Street Superintendent			X
Johnsonburg Municipal Authority	Representative	X		
Kilhoffer, Rachel	Secretary	X		
Lindmar, Chris	Code Enforcement			X
Maletto, Alfred J.	President	X		
Miller, Ryan	Engineer	X		
Paget, Kyle	Mayor	X		
Poague, Eric	Councilman	X		
Thomas, John R.	Solicitor	X		
Warmbrodt, Richard	Councilman	X		

**Approval of Agenda:** A motion was made by Councilman Warmbrodt and seconded by Councilman Poague to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

**Minutes:** A motion was made by Councilman Poague and seconded by Councilman DePanfilis to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on April 14, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

**Guests & Public Comment:** Jim Reinsburrow, 302 Willow St., was present to ask permission of Council to open Cedar Alley (between Cushing Ave. and Willow St. in the 300 block) to sled riding and for permission to remove brush on the alley. Discussion was held on the use of this paper alley. Solicitor Thomas will research liability issues for the borough.

### Monthly Reports

**Finance & Bills for Payment:** President Maletto read the borough's account balances and the bills. This month's bills include General Fund - \$4,979.65, Community Center Fund - \$5,621.97, Highway Aid Fund - \$4,912.26, and Community Improvement Fund - \$1,500.00. A motion was made by Councilman DePanfilis and seconded by Councilman Warmbrodt to pay the bills as presented and to accept the finance report. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor: Mayor Paget reminded the public of the Police Memorial Service on May 15<sup>th</sup> and Memorial Day Services on May 26<sup>th</sup>.

Police: Monthly report is on file. Chief Clopp reviewed his report which included information on the department's recent events, training, and grants.

Fire Chief: Monthly report is on file.

Superintendent: Monthly report is on file.

Engineer Report: Monthly report is on file. Engineer Miller reviewed the CDBG Slum & Blight bids for the Bergen St./First Ave. demolition project which will be awarded at the Elk County Commissioner's meeting on May 15<sup>th</sup>. The CDBG Bridge St. sidewalk replacement project and the 2025 CDBG projects were discussed.

A lengthy discussion was held on the Johnsonburg Community Center's Exterior Restoration Project and the bidding process for that project. A motion was made by Councilman DePanfilis and seconded by Councilman Cherry to have Engineer Miller proceed with the advertisement for this project. Motion carried unanimously. A special meeting will be scheduled after the advertising is determined for the opening of the bids.

Engineer Miller will follow up with TranSystems for the status on our flood mitigation project.

Code Enforcement: Monthly report is on file. Code Enforcement Officer Chris Lindmar was excused.

Recreation Board: Minutes and monthly reports are on file.

Council Committees: Nothing to report.

Solicitor: Solicitor Thomas reported that, over the previous month, he had been in touch with Code Enforcement Officer Chris Lindmar about code issues and, at the request of the municipal authority, he spoke to our health officer about inspections of restaurant grease traps.

Municipal Authority: Johnsonburg Municipal Authority Board Member Jack Fowler was present to update the board on current projects.

Old Business: 1. A motion was made by Councilman Warmbrodt and seconded by Councilman Cherry to pay 50% of the production cost of a promotional video for the Johnsonburg Community Center. Motion carried unanimously.

2. A motion was made by Councilman DePanfilis and seconded by Councilman Warmbrodt approving the quote of \$7,777.00 from Clarion Environmental Services for the asbestos removal for the Bergen St./First Ave. demolition project. Motion carried unanimously.

3. No action was taken on the clean up quote for the Pena property at 1035 E. Center St.

New Business: None submitted.

A motion was made by Councilman DePanfilis and seconded by Councilman Cherry to move into executive session at 5:17 p.m. to discuss personnel and litigation. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilman DePanfilis and seconded by Councilman Cherry to return to regular session at 5:37 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

President Maletto stated that, during executive session, personnel and litigation were discussed but no decisions were made.

Public Comment on Agenda Items: None presented.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Councilman Poague and seconded by Councilman Warmbrodt to adjourn the meeting at 5:38 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Rachel Kilhoffer  
Secretary

DRAFT

Johnsonburg Borough  
Special Meeting  
May 29, 2025  
4:00 p.m.

Call to Order  
Silent Prayer  
Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call/Attendance	Title	Present	Absent	Excused
Cherry, Scott	Councilman	X		
Clopp, John	Police Chief			X
DeAngelo, James	Councilman	X		
DePanfilis, James R.	Councilman	X		
Imbrogno, Louie	Councilman			X
Imbrogno, Tom	Street Superintendent			X
Johnsonburg Municipal Authority	Representative			X
Kilhoffer, Rachel	Secretary	X		
Lindmar, Chris	Code Enforcement			X
Maletto, Alfred J.	President	X		
Miller, Ryan	Engineer	X		
Paget, Kyle	Mayor			X
Poague, Eric	Councilman		X	
Thomas, John R.	Solicitor			X
Warmbrodt, Richard	Councilman	X		

Agenda: A motion was made by Councilman Warmbrodt and seconded by Councilman DePanfilis to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Guests & Public Comment on Agenda Items: None presented.

Bills for Payment: President Maletto read the bills which included General Fund - \$1,304.20, Community Center Fund - \$4,606.50, and Highway Aid Fund - \$191.10. A motion was made by Councilman DeAngelo and seconded by Councilman Cherry to pay the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Business: 1. One bid was received for the Johnsonburg Community Center Exterior Restoration project with the following results:

- Redmond's Construction
  - Front/Market St. side - \$44,804.00
  - Side/Bridge St. side - \$88,943.00
  - Rear/219 side - \$41,780.00

A motion was made by Councilman DePanfilis and seconded by Councilman Cherry to accept the bid for the Front/Market St. side of the building for \$44,804.00. President Maletto called for a roll call vote which was unanimous in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

2. A motion was made by Councilman DePanfilis and seconded by Councilman Warmbrodt to pass Resolution 05-2025 which approves the borough's application for Department of Community & Economic Development Strategic Management Planning Program Phase Two funding and allocates \$25,000.00 as potential grant match funding. Motion carried unanimously.

Guests & Public Comment on Agenda Items: None presented.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Councilman DeAngelo and seconded by Councilman DePanfilis to adjourn the meeting at 4:35 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Rachel Kilhoffer  
Secretary

**Treasurer's Report**

**May 2025**

<b>Account</b>	<b>Beginning Monthly Balance</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Expenses</b>	<b>End of the Month Balance</b>	<b>PLGIT Balance</b>	<b>PLGIT Interest</b>
General	\$80,951.00	\$396,591.89	\$126,730.81	\$350,812.08	\$326,089.52	\$1,039.90
Street Light	\$37,993.63	\$35,051.58	\$54,791.75	\$18,253.46	\$101,243.51	\$243.50
Library	\$7,701.21	\$17,853.64	\$446.35	\$25,108.50		
Retirement	\$8,827.04	\$8,898.84	\$15,222.47	\$2,503.41	\$120,997.12	\$408.71
Highway Aid/Liquid Fuels	\$49,072.88	\$13,501.73	\$41,403.36	\$21,171.25	\$33,747.30	\$63.19
Borough Equipment	\$5,434.40	\$33,768.66	\$29,344.24	\$9,858.82	\$46,156.72	\$131.51
Fire Services	\$14,512.46	\$3,595.17	\$89.89	\$18,017.74	\$84,864.08	\$314.33
Community Center	\$112,150.25	\$35,722.35	\$20,214.00	\$127,658.60		
Per Capita	\$2,293.22	\$2,146.20	\$53.66	\$4,385.76		
Debt Service Fund	\$39,955.04	\$73,923.01	\$844.46	\$113,033.59		
Community Improvement	\$19,846.55	\$112,285.86	\$15,172.26	\$116,960.15		
EMS	\$2,813.35	\$2,885.65	\$72.14	\$5,626.86		

**Outstanding Expenses & Liabilities**

<b>Fund</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Description</b>
Community Improvement	\$5,000.00	Community Heart & Soul grant match
Community Improvement	\$25,000.00	DCED STMP Phase 2 grant match
<b>Monthly Bills</b>		
General		Highway Aid
Community Center		Community Improvement
Other		



**JOHN CLOPP**  
Chief of Police

100 Main Street  
Johnsonburg, PA 15845  
(814) 965-2816

I have the honor to report to the Johnsonburg Borough Council the duties performed by the Johnsonburg Police Department for the month of May 2025.

<b>Calls for Service</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>Parking Violations</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Signal Calls</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>House Watches</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Telephone Calls</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>Vehicle Lockouts</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Investigations</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>Light outage</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Hearings</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>B.O.L.O</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Traffic Accidents</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Asst. Fire/Ambulance</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Written Warnings</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Asst. other Police Dept.</b>	<b>24</b>

**Receipts:**

<b>Fines</b>	<b>\$ 762.22</b>
<b>Reports</b>	<b>\$ 30.00</b>
<b>Tickets</b>	<b>\$ 20.00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 812.22</b>

**Special Information:**

- Pre-K students toured the station on 05/07.
- Police Memorial Service held on 05/15.
- PSP CLEAN audit passed on 05/22.
- Act 13 grant reimbursement check received.

<b>Offenses:</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Arrest</b>	<b>Handled Otherwise</b>
<b>Drugs</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Assaults</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Burglary</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Thefts</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Criminal Mischief</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>D.U.I.</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Disorderly Conduct</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Mental Health</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Sex Offenses</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Family and Children</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>All Other Offenses</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1 (15 MV Arrests)</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>54</b>

Respectfully



# Johnsonburg Fire Department

Fire - Rescue

99 Clarion Road

Johnsonburg, PA 15845

Phone 814-965-4276 Fax 814-965-4276

May 2025 Johnsonburg Fire Department Report

## Incident Type Count per Station for Date Range

Start Date: 05/01/2025 | End Date: 05/31/2025

INCIDENT TYPE	# INCIDENTS
<b>Station: EC2 - ELK COMPANY 2</b>	
111 - Building fire	1
311 - Medical assist, assist EMS crew	4
322 - Motor vehicle accident with injuries	2
500 - Service Call, other	1
520 - Water problem, other	1
736 - CO detector activation due to malfunction	1
<b># Incidents for EC2 - Elk Company 2:</b>	<b>10</b>

Calls in Johnsonburg Borough - 8

Calls in North Ridgway Township -1

Automatic / Mutual Aid Calls – 1

Total Man Hours for All Calls May 2025 –18.55

Total Monetary Fire Loss Johnsonburg Borough May 2025 - \$0

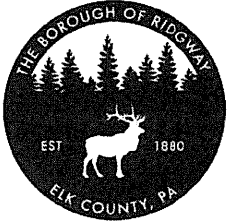
Total Monetary Fire Loss North Ridgway Township May 2025- \$0

No injuries reported this month

Respectfully

*Christopher G. Kreckel*

**Chief**



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## Community & Economic Development Coordinator Report (June 2025)

- Johnsonburg Borough is working with the North Central Regional Planning and Development Commission and PennDOT to address sidewalks and crosswalks from Market Street to the Pittsburgh-Buffalo Highway. The goal is to utilize this study to pursue future grants. The Borough will be applying for a small segment of this in the Summer 2025 cycle of DCED's Multimodal Fund.
- The Johnsonburg Community Trust will be applying to several local grants this summer to fund their Window Campaign. All windows in the first unit of the Brick Block will be replaced if this project is funded.
- Heart & Soul has held several meetings recently. On May 15, the group worked on refining overarching goals, discussing how to introduce people to the process, and brainstorming our logo design. Our June 12 meeting will focus on compiling Community Network Analyses to ensure that we are reaching all demographics in the area.
- My group for Leadership Elk-Cameron hosted a Healthcare Appreciation Night on May 21 in celebration of the 988-coin launch and local healthcare professionals. This event took place at Straub's Tap House and provided a space for these essential community members to be appreciated. The group will present our final project at our LEC graduation on June 11.
- June is crosswalk mural month in Ridgway! Every week, I'll be around town working with our teaching artist Caroline Fitch and community members to beautify our town. Keep your eye out for our new town gems.
- Johnsonburg Borough is applying to Phase 2 of DCED's Strategic Management Planning Program (STMP). This application includes requests for a number of improvements for the Borough, including code enforcement software and body cameras for the police department. DCED representative Terri Cunkle has been extremely helpful in preparing this application, and we are grateful for her assistance.

**JOHNSONBURG MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY**

**Regular Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday, April 9, 2025**

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chairman Jack Fowler, followed by The Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

**ROLL CALL** – Jack Fowler, TJ Weaver via ZOOM, Earl Park, Duane Duffy, Paul Villella, Tony King

Eric Poague – excused

Also present: Brian Buesink, Bryon Gregori, Tracey Brown, Solicitor Brown, Kathleen Mooney of JHA via ZOOM

**VISITORS** – Tracy Crowe, Ridgway Record

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA** - A motion was made by Earl Park and seconded by Duane Duffy to approve the agenda (carried).

**COMMENTS FROM VISITORS** – None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** – None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING** – A motion was made by Earl Park and seconded by Paul Villella to approve the minutes from the March 12, 2025 Regular Meeting (carried).

**MANAGER’S REPORT** – Copy attached. The bridge at Vennor’s Island was discussed. It will be taken care of by Domtar so that it doesn’t freeze.

**WATER REPORT** – Copy attached

**SEWER REPORT** – Copy attached

**ENGINEER’S REPORT** – Copy attached

**SOLICITOR’S REPORT** – None

**COMMITTEE REPORTS** –

- A. Administrative – none
- B. Operations – none
- C. Finance – none
- D. Fire Department – none
- E. Hiring - none
- F. Johnsonburg Borough – none
- G. Grants – none

**TREASURER’S REPORT** – A motion was made by Earl Park and seconded by Tony King to approve the Treasurer’s report (carried).

**BILLS FOR PAYMENT** – A motion was made by Earl Park and seconded by Tony King to approve the bills for payment in the amount of \$ 68,155.16 (carried).

**Bank Balances as of: March 31, 2025**

**Northwest**

Payroll - \$ 159,373.36  
Water Pennvest - \$ 510.67  
Sewer Pennvest - \$ 37,866.71  
Operating Checking - \$ 305,100.68  
Sewer Savings - \$ 52,582.97  
Water Savings - \$ 115,713.02

**CNB**

Savings Acct. - \$ 12,127.96  
Water Project Checking (COA) - \$ 40,829.93  
Sewer Checking - \$ 36,059.57  
Waterline Extension - \$ 14.00

**PLGIT**

General Fund - \$ 702,213.86  
Sewer General Fund - \$ 93,401.85

**Debt Payments**

CNB Mortgage - \$ 327.92  
CNB Line of Credit Interest Only (Waterline Ext.) - \$ 1,618.84  
CNB Draw Loan (WWTP Upgrade) - \$ 3,459.20  
Pennvest(Sewer)- \$ 8,580.54  
Pennvest(Sewer)- \$ 11,718.30

**OLD BUSINESS** - None

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A motion was made by Earl Park and seconded by Tony King to table reviewing the Watermain Connection Guide and have the Operations Committee review it and make recommendations (carried).
- A motion was made by Tony King and seconded by Duane Duffy to pass the Resolution for the PA Small Water and Sewer Program grant of \$ 90,000 for Center St. Sewer Rehabilitation for the Community Center (carried).
- A motion was made by Earl Park and seconded by Duane Duffy to pass the Resolution for the PA Small Water and Sewer Program grant of \$ 495,000 for Center St. Transite Pipe Replacement (carried).
- A motion was made by Tony King and seconded by Earl Park to pass the Resolution for the PA Small Water and Sewer Program grant of \$ 478,000 for Groundwater Well Testing and Development (carried).
- A motion was made by Earl Park and seconded by Paul Villella to approve a corrected Route 219 Waterline Extension Resolution previously adopted on 9/11/2024, with such correction being a minor word change only, that does not include the expenditure of funds or the execution of a contract. This motion constitutes de minimis business of the Authority that was brought to the Authority's attention within 24 hours of the regularly scheduled board meeting (carried).

**COMMENTS FROM VISITORS** – None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** – None

**ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**- A motion was made by Duane Duffy and seconded by Paul Villella to adjourn the meeting at 5:00 p.m. (carried).

Jack Fowler, Chairperson - TLB

May 1, 2025

Office of the County of Elk Commissioners

Meeting Minutes

Elk County, Ridgway, PA

The County of Elk Commissioners met on Thursday, May 1, 2025 at 10:15 AM, County of Elk Courthouse Annex, Thomas G. Wagner Conference Room. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Those present were Commissioners M. Fritz Lecker, Matthew G. Quesenberry and Gregory J. Gebauer. Also present were Rick Brown, Solicitor; Patrick Straub, Chief Clerk; Emily Anders, Office Administrator; Calvin Moore, IT Director; Matthew Frey, Treasurer; Todd Caltagarone, Sheriff; Stephen Sunderland, IT Tech; Madigan McGrath, Job Shadow Student; Kate Brock, Community Education Council; Sierra Himes, Dickinson Center; Mekena Baine, Intern at Dickinson Center; Chi Catalone, Cameron/Elk Suicide Prevention Task Force; John Schlimm, Artist; Angie Catalone, SMAHS Principal; Jesse Schreiber, Dutch Manufacturing Teacher; Isaac, Perlick, Vinny Shufesky, Myah Washburn, Jack Keebler, Jayden Overly, Kaleb Fox, Rhianna Penfield, and Tralynn Ginther, Dutch Manufacturing Students; and Marilyn Secco, Press.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Matthew G. Quesenberry, second by Gregory J. Gebauer and carried unanimously.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES– April 17, 2025 Commissioners Meeting

Motion by Matthew G. Quesenberry, second by Gregory J. Gebauer and carried unanimously.

#### RESOLUTIONS –

#### OLD BUSINESS

#### NEW BUSINESS

1. Request from Maintenance, ratification of new contract with Allied Systems, Inc. for the replacement of an HVAC cooling tower at Annex building in the amount of \$44,772.80. Cost includes all equipment, plumbing, electrical and crane rental. **Patrick E. Straub stated this repair was exempt from the bidding process. Motion by Matthew G. Quesenberry, second by M. Fritz Lecker and carried unanimously.**
2. Request by CYS, Addendum for Merakey PA. Room and Board Cost for Therapeutic Foster Care from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 at a rate of \$56.10/ day. **Motion by Gregory J. Gebauer, second by Matthew G. Quesenberry and carried unanimously.**
3. Request by CYS, new contract with Menta Psychological, LLC from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 for court ordered mental health evaluations. **Motion by Matthew G. Quesenberry, second by Gregory J. Gebauer and carried unanimously.**
4. Request by Treasurer, new contract with Fairfield Computer Services, LLC for use of online dog licensing system. Initial term is two (2) years beginning August 1, 2025, and automatically renewable for three (3) successive one-year terms. Cost for set up and training is \$1,100.00 and use of system and support is \$110.00/ month. No charge for initial six (6) month of contract. **Matthew Frey explained how this software would improve the process for dog license. Motion by M. Fritz Lecker, second by Matthew G. Quesenberry and carried unanimously.**
5. Request by Veteran Affairs, approval of benefits for 3 veteran burials, 2 widow burials, and 1 veteran headstone. **Motion by Matthew G. Quesenberry, second by Gregory J. Gebauer and carried unanimously.**

6. Application for an allocation of County Liquid Fuel Tax funds in the amount of \$7,000.00.
  - a. Request by Highland Township for Old Lamont Road and Ogrin Road surfacing.
  - b. Request by Jay Township for tar and chip.

**Items 6a and 6b were voted on together. Motion by Gregory J. Gebauer, second by Matthew G. Quesenberry and carried unanimously**

#### **PRESENTATIONS-**

1. Mental Health Awareness Month – John Schlimm, Dutch Manufacturing, CEC, and Cameron/Elk Suicide Prevention Task Force presenting the 9-8-8 coin. **Dutch Manufacturing students gave an overview of the 9-8-8 project and the steps taken to accomplish this. They also explained the significance of each part of the coin and thanked all who supported them.**

#### **CORRESPONDENCE – (The following correspondence, if any, is available in the Commissioner’s office for further review.)**

1. Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc. (CEC) (received April 22<sup>nd</sup>) regarding Keystone Powdered Metal Company’s intent to submit a Revised Plan Approval to the PA DEP Air Quality Program. Project scope includes process change in the manufacture of metal plates used to produce long duration storage batteries and addition of two Endothermic Generators (CEC Project 336-900). This notice is provided pursuant to PA Acts 67 and 68 of the Municipalities Planning Code (MPC) and in accordance with PA Act 14, and 25 PA Code 127.43a which requires a 30 day public comment period.
2. Allegheny Coatings, Inc. d/b/a Allegheny Coatings (received April 15<sup>th</sup>) regarding their intent to file apply to the PA DEP for proposed permitting of the existing surface coating facility at 224 River Rd., Ridgway. This notice is provided pursuant to PA Administrative Code 25PA, sections 127.12 and 127.43 and section 1905-A, as amended by Act 14, which requires a 30 day public comment period.
3. PA DEP (received April 11<sup>th</sup>) regarding intent to file an NPDES individual application for Stormwater Discharges associated with construction activities at abandoned mine reclamation project. Project name Hyde Lake South and location is Jones Twp. This notice is provided pursuant to PA Acts 67, 68 and 127 of the Municipalities Planning Code (MPC) which requires a 30 day public comment period.

#### **GOOD OF THE COUNTY**

- Calvin Moore gave an update on the format change for recorded county meetings. Videos are now available on YouTube. You can access them directly on YouTube at the County of Elk PA channel, or via a link on the Elk County website ([www.countyofelkpa.gov](http://www.countyofelkpa.gov))
- We welcome and encourage the public to attend our meetings.
- Congratulations to St. Marys Rotary, District 7360 on 75 years of service.
- May 15<sup>th</sup> is the Peace Officers Memorial Day Service. Blue Mass will be celebrated at 11:00AM at Holy Rosary Church in Johnsonburg. **Sheriff Caltagarone spoke of the lives that are honored by the Blue Mass. The public is welcome to attend.**
- America250PA Liberty Bell is currently at St. Leo’s school.
- Please continue to pray for our military personnel, our families and our children, their teachers, all elected officials and peace in the world.

#### **QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS - N/A**

**COMMENTS FROM TAXPAYERS**

**ADJOURN MEETING**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM on a motion by Gregory J. Gebauer.

Next Meeting:  
10:00 A.M. Thursday, May 15, 2025  
Thomas G. Wagner Conference Room, Courthouse Annex

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

*Kary Williamson*

May 15, 2025  
Office of the County of Elk Commissioners  
Meeting Minutes

Elk County, Ridgway, PA

The County of Elk Commissioners met on Thursday, May 15, 2025 at 10:00 AM, County of Elk Courthouse Annex, Thomas G. Wagner Conference Room. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Those present were Commissioners M. Fritz Lecker, Matthew G. Quesenberry and Gregory J. Gebauer. Also present were Rick Brown, Solicitor; Kary Williamson, Deputy Chief Clerk; Emily Anders, Office Administrator; Calvin Moore, IT Director; Matthew Frey, Treasurer; Stephen Sunderland, IT Tech; Becki Taylor, CDBG Coordinator; Derick Morey, Chief of Probation, Cindy Whitaker, Juvenile Probation; Kim Frey, Elections Director; Scott Atwell, Warden; Ryan Miller, ARS Engineering Services; Al Maletto and Rich Warmbrodt, Johnsonburg Borough; Ben Ball, Grand Lodge of PA; Ernie Mattiuz, Michael Anderson, and Nathaniel Schmidt, Guests. Joining via Zoom was Terry Brawand. Excused were Patrick Straub, Chief Clerk.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Gregory J. Gebauer, second by Matthew G. Quesenberry and carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**— April 3, 2025 Commissioners Meeting

Motion by Matthew G. Quesenberry, second by Gregory J. Gebauer and carried unanimously.

**PRESENTATIONS**

**RESOLUTIONS –**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Request by Planning Department, CDBG - Bergen Street/ First Avenue Slum and Blight Project (Johnsonburg Borough) bid opening.

Four (4) bids were received:

- Bucktail Excavating \$74,484.00
- S.E. Rodich Excavating \$78,665.00
- M&M Contracting \$79,000.00
- RJ Vollmer Excavating \$161,500.00

Becki Taylor, Ryan Miller, and Al Maletto were excused to review the bids. Upon their return, Ryan Miller, at the request of the Johnsonburg Borough recommended accepting the bid from Bucktail Excavating. Motion by M. Fritz Lecker, second by Gregory J. Gebauer and carried unanimously.

2. Request by Probation, new one (1) year contract beginning July 1, 2025 with Central Counties Youth Center to provide juvenile detention services at a cost of \$595.00/ day. Additional contract fees may apply based on individual circumstances. This contract does not automatically renew. Derick Morey spoke of the issues finding placement when a secure detention facility is needed. At this point, they do not have any juveniles that need to be placed here, but they need to have a facility available if need. Motion by Gregory J. Gebauer, second by Matthew G. Quesenberry and carried unanimously.

3. Request by CYS, renewal contract with Three Rivers Adoption Council from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 with no rate increase. **Motion by Matthew G. Quesenberry, second by Gregory J. Gebauer and carried unanimously.**
4. Request by CYS, renewal contract with Perseus House, Inc. For shelter/ group home from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 with a 6% rate increase. **Motion by Gregory J. Gebauer, second by Matthew G. Quesenberry and carried unanimously.**
5. Request by CYS, Addendum to Pathways Adolescent Center for group home/ shelter at the rates of \$289.03/day for Transitional Living Unit; and \$615.00/day for Shelter Unit from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. **Motion by Matthew G. Quesenberry, second by Gregory J. Gebauer and carried unanimously.**
6. Request by CYS, new contract with Outside in School of Experiential Education, Inc. for group home from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 at the rate of \$348.00/ day. **Motion by Matthew G. Quesenberry, second by M. Fritz Lecker and carried unanimously.**
7. Request by Veteran Affairs, approval of benefits for 3 Veteran burials and 2 Veteran headstones. **Motion by Gregory J. Gebauer, second by Matthew G. Quesenberry and carried unanimously.**
8. Request by Prison, new contract with Kara Antonuccio, RN as a temporary full-time Prison Nurse at a rate of \$30.00 per hour. **Scott Atwell explained this was to replace the full-time nurse who needed some time off for personal reasons. The current part-time nurses would not be able to cover the shifts. Motion by Gregory J. Gebauer, second by M. Fritz Lecker and carried unanimously.**

**CORRESPONDENCE** – (The following correspondence, if any, is available in the Commissioner’s office for further review.)

1. FirstEnergy Company on behalf of Mid-Atlantic Interstate Transmission, LLC (received April 20<sup>th</sup>) regarding “Notice of Entry for Survey Work”. FirstEnergy is planning upgrades to its transmission lines to enhance electric service reliability and involves replacing aging structures and wires. Project name is “Energize365”, subproject name is Dubois Harvey Run Whetstone 115-Kilovolt Transmission Line Rebuild. Location is Snyder Twp., Jefferson County and portions of Elk County. This is courtesy notification.
2. Surface Transportation Board, Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) (received April 30<sup>th</sup>) regarding Docket No FD 36833, Lamprights LLC – Construction and Operations Exemption – Line of Railroad in Elk and Jefferson Counties; Preliminary Consultation. Lamprights LLC is planning to seek authority from the Surface Transportation Board to construct and operate a new rail line of approximately 3.87 miles in Elk and Jefferson Counties. The project would involve a new rail line from O-I Crenshaw Glass Plant and terminate at the Superior Greentree Landfill along the former railroad R.O.W. known as the Toby Branch. The OEA is requesting any information on environmental resources that may be affected by this project. The comment period ends May 25, 2025.

**GOOD OF THE COUNTY**

- We welcome and encourage the public to attend our meetings.
- The Crystal Fire Department is celebrating their 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year. The Commissioners will be honoring them with a Citation later in the year.

- County of Elk Business offices will be closed on Tuesday, May 20 due to the election. Kim Frey, Director of Elections will provide Election update. **Kim Frey gave an update on the open times at the polling places and the deadline for mail-in ballots.**
- County of Elk Business offices will be closed Monday, May 26 in honor of Memorial Day.
- Today is the Peace Officers Memorial Day Service. Blue Mass will be celebrated at 11:00AM today at Holy Rosary Church in Johnsonburg.
- America250PA:
  - Liberty Bell will be returning to the Courthouse Annex. The home school students will be visiting to splash the bell.
  - Dedication of the Liberty Tree will be held on Saturday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am. The tree was planted at the Elk Country Visitor's Center in Benezette on May 10<sup>th</sup>. This tree was provided by the Grand Lodge of PA and is part of America250PA. The public is invited to attend. **Ben Ball of Pennsylvania Grand Lodge invited the public to the Liberty Tree Dedication. M. Fritz Lecker gave background information on the Liberty Tree.**
- Please continue to pray for our military personnel, our families and our children, their teachers, all elected officials and peace in the world.

**QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS - N/A**

**COMMENTS FROM TAXPAYERS**

1. Public comment was received from Nathaniel Schmidt on behalf of his client Michael Anderson.
2. Public comment was received from Terry Brawand.

**ADJOURN MEETING**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 AM on a motion by Matthew G. Quesenberry.

Next Meeting:  
 10:00 A.M. Thursday, June 5, 2025  
 Thomas G. Wagner Conference Room, Courthouse Annex

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

