



**Scott Township Workshop Meeting
301 Lindsay Road, Scott Township PA 15106
August 12, 2025, 7:30 p.m.**

7:00 Executive Session

Call to Order, Moment of Prayer, and Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance

Present: Stacey Atman, Thomas Castello, Samuel Dalfonso, Brandon Edwards, Kathleen Gazda, Eileen Meyers. Michelle Sedlak, Nick Seibel, Angela Wateska

Denise Fitzgerald, Chief Matt Podsiadly, Mark Mox, Tom Kelley, Karla McGill, John Vogel, Marie Hartman, Jim Stoker, Lisha Mihalko

Proclamation

A proclamation was presented recognizing Lifeguard Carter Wells for his actions during a medical emergency at the pool. The Board of Commissioners acknowledged his professional excellence and commitment to public safety.

Public Comments on all Agenda Items Listed Below

Bill Wells of 635 Lindsay Road questioned the decision to asphalt over Carothers Avenue, a concrete road, while a different repair method was chosen for Lindsey Road.

Ms. Hartman stated that an engineer's previous analysis indicated variability in the structural integrity of the concrete slabs on Lindsay Road, influencing the decision on repair methods.

The Board offered to arrange a meeting to discuss road repair decisions and review relevant files at the convenience of the inquirer.

Planning, Zoning, and Code Enforcement

Code Enforcement Update

The code enforcement report for July indicated that 35 permits were issued with a total value of \$823.15. A total of 77 notices of violation were issued, including hazardous tree, high grass, sanitation, vehicle, building, truck, trailer, RV, and boat violations. Violations included 7 township ordinance violations and 10 zoning ordinance violations, totaling 77.

The Code Enforcement Officer attended 12 Magistrate hearings, performed 19 rental inspections, and 6 building inspections. One Right to Know request was answered.

Solicitor's Report

Discuss the proposed ordinance to prohibit electric bikes, scooters, etc. in the parks and around the Municipal Building.

Mr. Vogel said a draft ordinance was shared for police review, with plans to circulate and evaluate through the Planning Commission based on received feedback.

Engineer's Report

Discuss Lindsay Road Improvements (Contract No. 25-R02) Bid Opening scheduled for August 12, 2025

Ms. Hartman said the Lindsay Road Improvements project, contract number 25R02, has received bids, with Michael Fasciano Contracting offering the lowest bid at \$430,645. The budget will be reviewed to determine the feasibility of proceeding with all four ad alternates. Coordination with Columbia Gas is ongoing to ensure their proposed work will not interfere with the Lindsay Road Improvements. It was noted that Columbia Gas's project will not affect the work area if all add alternates are proceeded with.

Discuss approval of Partial Payment No. 3 submitted by Excalibur Construction, LLC in the amount of \$32,328.00 for work completed between May 31, 2025 and July 30, 2025 on the Bower Hill Road Sidewalk Replacement Project.

Ms. Hartman said Excalibur Construction, LLC submitted a partial payment request of \$32,328 for the Bower Hill Road sidewalk Replacement Project, but concerns were raised about the progress and quality of the work.

Discuss awarding Contract No. 25-TS01 to M & B Services, LLC based upon their low bid submitted in the amount of \$320,674.52 for the improvements to the Bower Hill Road Signalized Intersection and \$341,296.66 for improvements to the Bower Hill Road/Rockhill Road Signalized Intersection. Total bid amount of \$661,971.18.

Ms. Hartman discussed awarding contract 25 TS01 to M&B Services, LLC for improvements to two intersections for a total bid of \$661,971. Recommendation made to consider awarding the contract at the next meeting.

Discuss adoption of a Resolution authorizing submission of a GEDTF Application for the Municipal Building roof replacement (Administration Roof and Center/Library Roof) requesting funding in the amount of \$500,000. (Needs approved on August 12. Applications are due August 22, 2025.

Ms. Hartman said a resolution authorizing the submission of a GEDF application for \$500,000 is needed for the municipal building roof replacement project. Approval required for submission by the deadline of August 22nd.

Discuss approval of Partial Payment No. 3 submitted by State Pipe Services in the amount of \$186,798.48 for work completed between May 2, 2025 and June 4, 2025, on the C48 Phase II COA Source Flow Reduction and Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project (Contract No. 24-S30).

Ms. Hartman discussed the request for a partial payment approval for State Pipe Services in the amount of \$186,798.48 for the C48 Phase 2 Project. The project is nearing completion with only minor tasks remaining.

Discuss Request for Proposals (RFP) submitted to contractors for pre-construction hydro-excavation services to locate conflicting utilities for the North Wren Storm Sewer and Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project. RFPs due August 20, 2025.

Ms. Hartman said RFPs are due for pre-construction hydro excavation services regarding utility conflicts identified in the North Wren Storm and Sanitary Sewer Improvements project, with proposals due by August 20th. Notice letters have been sent to residents and stakeholders potentially affected by the North Wren project to inform them of upcoming hydro excavation work.

Standing Committee Report - Finance

Discuss the payment request from Acrisure Mid-Atlantic Partners Insurance Services, LLC for Actuarial Services from 07/01/2025 - 09/30/2025 for the Police Pension Fund in the amount of \$1,350.00 and the Non-uniform Pension Fund in the amount of \$1,350.00 (to be paid from respective Pension Trust account).

Mr. Castello asked that this be put on the agenda for the voting meeting.

Standing Committee Report – Public Safety

Chief of Police's Update

Chief Podsiadly presented statistics for July, including 474 reports taken, 11 arrests, and 20 citations. An officer who was injured has returned to work, and another officer deployed for military training is expected back next week.

Recognition was given to the police and CERT team for handling a recent incident on Crothers Avenue smoothly.

Ms. Gazda said the Emergency Management Coordinator gave a presentation at a recent Public Safety Committee meeting and plans to present this information at an upcoming board meeting.

Standing Committee Report – Public Works

Environmental Committee (Sewer Committee and MS4 Updates)

Mrs. Wateska stated an Environmental Advisory Council meeting is scheduled for tomorrow at 6:30.

Parks and Recreation

Discuss the request for Pittsburgh Elite Aquatics for a five-year contract between the Township of Scott and Pittsburgh Elite Aquatics (PEAQ) for the use of the Scott Township Pool from the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through Monday of Labor Day weekend.

The board discussed a request for a 5-year contract between Scott Township and Pittsburgh Elite Aquatics for the use of the Scott Township pool from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend.

They questioned the transition from a yearly contract to a 5-year contract and noted that the price for swim meets would increase from \$500 to \$1,000 per day, with the total rental price increasing from \$6,000 to \$7,500, with a 5% yearly increase.

The rationale for the 5-year contract was due to the pool's popularity and its rare 50-meter facilities, which are used for training by participants from various states.

The board discussed issues related to pool accidents leading to closures, the public's lack of understanding, and complaints about refund policies when the pool closes unexpectedly. A suggestion was made to offer rain checks or refunds if a pool closure occurs due to an accident, especially after August 1st when pool hours are reduced.

Library Liaison Report

The Fall Craft Fair is scheduled for Saturday, September 13th, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Municipal Building, with the library now accepting applications from crafters.

The library will host a Trivia Fundraiser Night on Friday, September 19th, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the community room at the park. Early bird tickets are available from August 15th for \$15 per person.

Standing Committee Report – Administration

Manager's Update

Mrs. Fitzgerald announced the completion of the ClearGov portion of the website, highlighting its interactive features for transparency on budget and tax dollar allocation. She suggested that all residents should explore the new tool to understand where their tax dollars are going.

The manager clarifies a previous agenda item: the savings from adjusted work weeks cover both Mr. Mox and Stephanie Wilshire in Code Enforcement, not just one employee.

Conferences and Workshops

Marissa DiBello expressed disappointment over the township's summer recreation programs for children, mentioning cancellations and low attendance. She mentioned demographic statistics highlighting a growing younger population in Scott Township, implying an increased need for recreational programs.

Public Comments on Items Not Listed on the Agenda-none

Commissioner's Request

Commissioner Wateska: Nothing

Commissioner Meyers: Discussed upcoming events including a Glow Pool Party on August 15th with a \$5 entry fee for food, an 'Over 21 Night' event on August 16th with a \$12 entry fee, and the weekly Farmers Market held every Wednesday from 4 to 7 PM.

Commissioner Dalfonso: Nothing

Mr. Castello: Discussed a reported ongoing issue with tree cutting by Nelson in the community, which the commissioners discussed addressing more seriously next year.

Mr. Seibel noted similar unresolved issues with trees and related inconveniences in his ward. issues.

Commissioner Sedlak: Nothing

Commissioner Edwards said he will be leaving his position due to moving out of the township, effective on August 31st, after serving for over three years.

Commissioner Gazda: Nothing.

Commissioner Altman: Nothing.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Executive Session:

- Potential Litigation
- 2 Personnel Items

Attest: _____