

WEST COCALICO TOWNSHIP

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. with the following in attendance:

Supervisors: James Stoner, Leon Eby, and Jeff Sauder

Others present: Carolyn Hildebrand, Manager; Steve Strunk, Manager Associate; Mike Eberly, Assistant Roadmaster; Brenden Curry, LNP Reporter; Rodger Sweigart, and Byron Hurst.

Public Comment – None.

Jeff Sauder motioned to approve the minutes from the meeting on November 18th, 2025. Leon Eby seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jeff Sauder motioned to approve the attached lists of checks totaling \$192,164.44. Leon Eby seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jeff Sauder motioned to pay regular recurring bills through the end of 2025. Leon Eby seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jeff Sauder motioned to execute Agreement providing for Grant of Riparian Buffer Conservation Easement. Leon Eby seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jeff Sauder motioned to execute Co-applicant Agreement for an HOP for Enclosed Surface Stormwater Facilities. Leon Eby seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jeff Sauder motioned to execute Stormwater Agreement and Declaration of Easement. Leon Eby seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

J.J. Stoner discussed the Ephrata Borough Police report.

Carolyn Hildebrand presented the Manager's report as follows:

1. I attended the Planning Commission meeting on December 8, 2025.
2. I attended the Authority meeting on December 9, 2025.
3. Jim Caldwell, Yvonne Sallade and I met with Lowell Martin and his consultants to discuss a land development plan.
4. Tom Showalter, Mike Eberly, JJ Stoner and I met with Jim Caldwell to discuss various issues in the Township.
5. Yvonne Sallade, Jim Caldwell and I met with David Mease, Diehm and Sons, Derrick Bollinger and Ryan Roebing, LCCD, to discuss a stormwater project.
6. I submitted the LSA grant for the new maintenance building facility project.
7. Yvonne Sallade and I attended a meeting with other representatives from the Cocalico municipalities and Joella Neff, LPCC to discuss the simplified zoning presented by LCPC.
8. Dan Becker, HRG, and I met with Art Detweiler to discuss sewage issues at his property.

9. I have been working with Mark Homan, HRG, to update the Act 537 plan.
10. 30 day letters for property owners who have not yet paid their street light taxes were mailed out. I attended the Authority meeting on November 12, 2025.

Carolyn Hildebrand presented the Treasurer's Report.

Tom Showalter presented the Roadmaster's report as follows:

1. The 550's hydraulic pump broke and needed replaced.
2. Serviced the snow plows.
3. December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, and 15<sup>th</sup> plowed and salted the roads.
4. The 2015 Freightliner cylinder cracked and was replaced.
5. Signs were hit and replaced at Ross/Garvin Roads and Pennys Hill Road.
6. Performed tree trimming in Village Hollow.
7. Tom noted there were many cars in the developments while they were trying to remove snow.
8. There was a stop sign hit at Chapel Hill Drive on December 2<sup>nd</sup>.
9. The 150 tons of salt was delivered this week there is an additional 100 tons is in route.
10. The new heating unit was installed at the Township building.

Carolyn Hildebrand presented the Zoning Officer's Report.

Leon Eby motioned to adopt the 2026 budget as presented. Jeff Sauder seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jeff Sauder motioned to pass Resolution 12162025 to increase the tax rate to 2.08 mills. Leon Eby seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jeff Sauder motioned to appoint Randy Good as LCTCB representative and Michael Hession as alternate. Leon Eby seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

J.J. Stoner motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m. J.J. Stoner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Sauder  
Secretary