

Conestoga Township Board of Supervisors

Tuesday, August 4, 2026

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, August 4, 2026 in the Conestoga Township Public Meeting Room located at 3959 Main Street, Conestoga, Pennsylvania.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by the Chairman of the Board, Matthew Connelly followed by the pledge of allegiance.

SUPERVISORS PRESENT

Chairman Matthew Connelly, Vice Chairman Thomas Grassel Jr. and Joseph Devoy

OTHERS PRESENT

Jessie L. Ebersole, Secretary/Treasurer
Eric Peifer, 353 Pequea Blvd
Charles Fulmer, 4 Safe Harbor Village
Paul Spangler, 312 River Corner Rd
Donna Hoar, 69 Colemanville Church Rd
Steve & Johanna Treier, 3927 Main St
John Babcock, 31 Pequea Blvd
Israel & Theresa Gonzalez, 72 W Elm St
Justin Stoltzfus, LNP

Brian J. Herr, Roadmaster
Parke Rineer, 3470 Main St
Chris & Barb Bair, 208 Run Valley Rd
Ken & Debra Brooks, 4430 Main St
Lynda Like, 4180 Main St
Don Linton, 133 Brenner Hollow Rd
Carmen Simone, 128 Sandhill Rd
Gary & Michele Miller, 3498 Main St

PUBLIC COMMENT

Debra Brooks of 4430 Main Street requested an update regarding the status of 4459 Main Street and the Airbnb's that are still operating. Mrs. Brooks stated that, following the denial of the Conditional Use application, the Airbnb operations should no longer be permitted; however, the property continues to accept reservations. Tom Grassel responded that the property owner has been issued a Notice of Violation and Cease and Desist Order, and that next steps will be taken as appropriate. Joe Devoy added that Mr. Esh has appealed the Notice of Violation and Cease and Desist Order. A Zoning Hearing Board hearing for the appeals will be scheduled for the last Wednesday in August.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES, BILLS AND TREASURER'S REPORT

Tom Grassel made a **motion** to approve the July 7, 2026 Board of Supervisor Meeting Minutes with a second by Joe Devoy. With no discussions the motion passed (3-0).

Joe Devoy made a **motion** to approve the July 2026 Bills and Treasurer's Report as presented with a second by Tom Grassel. With no discussions the motion passed (3-0).

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

The Planning Commission did not meet in July.

The Zoning Hearing Board did not meet in July.

NEW BUSINESS

None

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ROADMASTER REPORT

Brian Herr reported that the Oil and Chip Project and Phase 2 of the River Road Pipe Replacement Project, including the pipe crossing near Meadow Lane, have been completed. He thanked Supervisor Grassel for providing equipment and assistance with these projects. The second round of roadside mowing has begun and is approximately two-thirds complete. Brian reported that the new mowing machine has been efficient and is providing cost savings to the Township. He also reported the typical storm-related damage, including downed trees and utility lines. Line painting is expected to begin, weather permitting on Stone Hill Road from Rineer to Long Lane, Boy Scout Road, Stoney Lane from Stone Hill to the Township line, Stehman Road, the short portion of Long Lane, Tanyard, and Run Valley.

OLD BUSINESS

Tom Grassel made a **motion** to adopt the proposed Ordinance to amend Chapter 205 Sewage Disposal. Joe Devoy seconded the motion. With no discussion the motion passed (3-0).

TOWNSHIP OF CONESTOGA
Lancaster County, Pennsylvania
ORDINANCE NO. 2026-01

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 205 SEWAGE DISPOSAL OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CONESTOGA TO AMEND DEFINITIONS; TO MODIFY REGULATIONS REGARDING INSPECTIONS AND MAINTENANCE; ADDING REGULATIONS FOR PUMPER/Hauler REGISTRATION; AMENDING VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES; DESIGNATING THE EXISTING CHAPTER 205 AS ARTICLE I OF CHAPTER 205 AND ADDING ARTICLE II HOLDING TANKS

Joe Devoy made a **motion** to adopt the proposed Ordinance to amend Chapter 205 Sewage Disposal for Holding Tanks. Tom Grassel seconded the motion. With no discussion the motion passed (3-0).

TOWNSHIP OF CONESTOGA
Lancaster County, Pennsylvania
ORDINANCE NO. 2026-02

ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING PROCEDURE FOR THE USE AND MAINTENANCE OF HOLDING TANKS IN CONESTOGA TOWNSHIP UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS; PROVIDING FOR THE PROMULGATION OF RULES AND REGULATIONS INCIDENTAL THERETO; PROCEDURES FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF RATES AND CHARGES; ESTABLISHING DUTIES OF IMPROVED PROPERTY OWNERS UTILIZING HOLDING TANKS; PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE ORDINANCE AND ABATEMENT OF NUISANCES; AMENDING CHAPTER 205 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CONESTOGA TO ADD AS ARTICLE II OF THAT CHAPTER THE PROCEDURE AND REGULATIONS FOR USE AND MAINTENANCE OF HOLDING TANKS

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Joe Devoy mentioned the Township has submitted a DCED MTF (Department of Community & Economic Development Multimodal Transportation Fund) grant application for the Silver Mine Bridge/Culvert Replacement Project. The timeline for starting the construction is in the Spring of 2027. The public was asked to reach out to our state representatives for their support in granting the application. Tom Grassel added that it would be huge if we could get this the grant, otherwise the project will take a lot of our capital savings.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Matthew Connelly mentioned as a reminder that House Representative Mentzer will hold a town hall meeting at the Fire Hall on August 27th starting at 6:30 PM. He announced the next Board of Supervisors regular meeting will be held September 1st.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,



Jessie L. Ebersole
Conestoga Township Secretary

