MERCER COUNTY

SPRINGFIELD

TOWNSHIP, EST 1805

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
BUSINESS MEETING
OCTOBER 6, 2026
7:00 P.M.

Present: Supervisors Tim Stiffy and Willie Hohmann. Also present Gateway Engineers Jim Naret, Road Foreman Jim Knight, and Township Administrator Lucinda Lipko. Absent from the meeting was Supervisor Marcus Kohan

Public: Greg Jones and Gary Sawor

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Additions or Deletions: None

Public Comment: None

Fire Department Report: None

Administration and Finance:
A motion was made by Willie Hohnamm to approve the recommendation of the Planning Commission for the Subdivision Application submitted by Gary Sawor for the property located at 1491 Perry Highway,(29-217-067-002), contingent on making revisions as noted in the letter from Gateway Engineers dated August 27, 2026 and the Mercer County Regional Planning Commission. Seconded by Tim Stiffy, motion carried.

A motion was made by Willie Hohmann to approve the recommendation of the Planning Commission for the Subdivision Application submitted by Springfield Investment Group for the property located on Westside Square Drive, contingent on making revisions as noted in the Gateway Engineers letter dated September 16, 2026 and the Mercer County Regional Planning Commission. Seconded by Tim Stiffy, motion carried.

A motion was made by Willie Hohmann to approve purchasing a Dell Pro 15 Notebook out of the Capital Fund, not to exceed $1,500.00. Seconded by Tim Stiffy, motion carried.

A motion was made by Willie Hohmann to advertise the proposed 2027 Board of Supervisors dates as presented:

January 4 & 18, 2027	February 2 & 15, 2027
March 2 & 15, 2027	April 6 & 19, 2027
May 4 & 17, 2027	June 1 & 21, 2027
July 6 & 19, 2027	August 3 & 16, 2027
September 7 & 20, 2027	October 5 & 18, 2027
November 2 & 15, 2027	December 7 & 20, 2027

Seconded by Tim Stiffy, motion carried.

A motion was made by Willie Hohmann to advertise the proposed Budget Meeting dates as presented:

September 15, 2027 October 13 & 27, 2027

Seconded by Tim Stiffy, motion carried.

Road Foreman Jim Knight requested permission to cut the phone lines when they are hanging down and getting into the roadway. The Township ended up paying an employee 2 ½ hours of overtime. The accident happened on Wednesday, and the phone company put in a repair ticket for Friday and still did not show up. The phone company is taking too long to respond to cutting a downed service line.

The Supervisors discussed the draft Water Agreement with Grove City Borough. They want to change Section Five – Billing Procedure from 15 days to 30 days due to the township meeting dates and that checks are only signed twice a month. Solicitor Nevant will respond that the Supervisors approve of the language, with the one modification, but will not approve the agreement until the dollar figures are added into Section 7.

The Supervisors discussed the letter from Tax Collector, Christi Cratty, requesting they increase the percentage she collects from 7% to 8%. The solicitor notified the board that this can only be done by February 15th in an election year. Mrs. Cratty has been notified.

Zoning and Land Development:
3 building permits, 2 zoning permits, 1 sign permit and 2 occupancy permits were issued in September 2026.

Sewer and Water:
The new circuit board is installed, and the pump station is up and running now. The sewer line cleaning is now finished.
There is a beaver problem behind the pump station on Oregon Road.

Roads and Bridges:
Took the mower down to the bridge on North Spring Road and cut the brush back. Going to go to SEI and pick up school house signs to install at the Amish School House.

Engineer's Report:
Jim Naret reviewed grant opportunities, and he will get a work authorization for the grant application to LSA. A new grant report came out today, he will review and then send to the Township. Will review the contract and issue a notice to proceed to Horizon. Will take a few weeks to receive the materials.

Public Works Report:
Jim Knight stated that last summer we received a grant to upgrade all of our traffic signals, and the old ones have been stored at the Maintenance Building. There is a gentleman that would like to take them for a race track.
He is ordering salt on Wednesday. The trucks are going in for inspection and will need brake work. Furnaces will be installed on October 12th at the Maintenance Building.

Reports:
Tim Stiffy reported that the next COG meeting is the dinner meeting and will be held on November 18, 2026.

Correspondence:
The Fire Chief has approved the following request for Fire Police:

a. For traffic control on October 9, 2026 at the Mars High School Homecoming Parade.
b. For traffic control on October 1, 2026 at the Lake View School District Homecoming Parade.
c. For traffic control on October 7, 2026 for the Fredonia ATV Rally.
d. For traffic control on October 29, 2026 for the Evans City Halloween Parade.

Public Comment: None

Motion to Adjourn:
A motion was made by Willie Hohmann to adjourn into the executive session with no business afterwards. Seconded by Tim Stiffy, motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Lucinda G. Lipko, Township Administrator