

Rush Township Building
Hometown, PA 18252

Minutes of the Rush Township Board of Supervisors

A meeting was held at the Rush Township Municipal Building on **Nov 10, 2025** at 7:00 PM. In attendance were Chairman Shawn Gilbert, Vice Chairman Robert Leibensperger, Supervisor George Gerhard, Becky Coccio-Roberts, Secretary/Treasurer, Bill McMullen, zoning, and Rick Weaver, Chief of Police.

Chairman Shawn Gilbert called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Police Report – A Motion was made by Chairman Gilbert to approve the Police Report for the month of Oct 2025. Becky Coccio-Roberts polled the board. All members voted in favor of the motion; motion carried.

Fire Company Report – A Motion was made by Chairman Gilbert to approve the Fire Company Report for the month of Oct 2025. Becky Coccio-Roberts polled the board. All members voted in favor of the motion; motion carried.

Minutes of Previous Meeting – A Motion was made by Chairman Gilbert to approve the previous meeting minutes of Oct 2025. Becky Coccio-Roberts polled the board. All members voted in favor of the motion; motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – A Motion was made by Chairman Gilbert to approve month of Oct-Nov 7 2025 bills. Becky Coccio-Roberts polled the board. All members voted in favor of the motion; motion carried.

Approval of municipal reports (sewer, road, Arro)- A Motion was made by Chairman Gilbert to approve the municipal reports for Oct 2025. Becky Coccio-Roberts polled the board. All members voted in favor of the motion; motion carried.

Correspondence –

Attorney's Business –

Old Business –

New Business-

- 1. A motion was made by Chairman Gilbert to execute a Release with Progressive for \$362.64 to resolve the property damage claim arising on December 10, 2023 to the traffic signal on Claremont.** Becky Coccio-Roberts polled the board. Chairman Gilbert, Vice Chairman Leibensperger, and Supervisor Gerhard voted in favor, motion carried.
- 2. A motion was made by Chairman Gilbert to adopt Resolution No. 2025-13 fixing the tax rate for Fiscal Year 2026 @ 2.50 mils (.18 Fire Protection, .22 Buildings, .67 Infrastructure, 1.43 for General Purposes).** Becky Coccio-Roberts polled the board.

Chairman Gilbert, Vice Chairman Leibensperger voted in favor, and Supervisor Gerhard voted against the motion, motion carried.

- 3. A motion was made by Chairman Gilbert to change the December 2025 monthly meeting to December 22, 2025 from the original scheduled date of December 18th.** Becky Coccio-Roberts polled the board. Chairman Gilbert, Vice Chairman Leibensperger, and Supervisor Gerhard all voted in favor, motion carried.

Public Comments-

- Vice Chairman Leibensperger mentioned that the Treasurer report dates should have been Nov. The reports are from the previous month. They were from Oct 10, through Nov. 7th 2025.
- Supervisor Gerhard asked Leibensperger how he arrived at the mileage that he did of 2.50. Gerhard mentioning that November 15th is when this should be done not prior as it's not legal according to Reidlinger the Solicitor via emails.
- Leibensperger went on to explain, stating that it may have to be changed in 2026 due to the current assessments as they are being challenged through next year.
- Gerhard kept challenging Leibensperger but then gave up.
- Leibensperger asked Bill if he agreed, but it was unclear to him how he came up with his numbers. No more said.
- Chairman Gilbert asked if the board agreed on spending around \$700 for a Christmas party for the Township employees. Gerhard just asked what it cost last year and agreed.
- Chairman Gilbert brought up about giving the Rush Township Employees December 26th off due to being the day after Christmas and being a Friday. Board seemed to agree for 2025, having the 26th as a paid Holiday.

Supervisors Comment:

ADJOURNMENT – Have a great night! Meeting Adjourned!