

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 **January 15, 2026** at 6:00 PM. In attendance were Chairman George Gerhard, Vice Chairman James Stewart, Becky Coccio-Roberts, Secretary/Treasurer, and Rick Weaver, Chief of Police, Bill McMullen, Zoning, and Chris Riedlinger, Solicitor.

Chairman George Gerhard called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Police Report – A Motion was made by Chairman Gerhard to approve the Police Report for the month of Dec 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 Gerhard to approve the Fire Company Report for the month of Dec 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 Gerhard to approve the previous meeting minutes Dec 22, 2025 and Re-Org held Jan. 5, 2026 at 6pm. 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 Gerhard to approve month of Dec/Jan 13 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 Gerhard to approve the municipal reports for Dec 2025. Becky Coccio-Roberts polled the board. All members voted in favor of the motion; motion carried.

Correspondence – Ambulance letter and High Mountain Dirt Riders

Attorney's Business – Rematch cleanup to start, notice to proceed January 28th and to be completed by March 29, 2026. D. Ceci asked if someone was going to monitor the progression and if they are certified. Solicitor stated and Zoning that they were not sure, it's not their co. Chris also mentioned Hill Top Road home. Asking for Judicial Sale and/or to buy per demolition order Shannon drafter. We can then tear it down.

Old Business –

New Business-

1. **A motion was made by Chairman Gerhard to approve The High Mountain Dirt Riders to host their annual bike run through our Township in June.** Becky Coccio-Roberts polled the board. Chairman Gerhard, Vice Chairman Stewart voted in favor, motion carried.

2. **A motion was made by Chairman Gerhard to appoint Ed Titus as Supervisor of Rush Township to fill the vacant position on the Board of Supervisors.** Becky Coccio-Roberts polled the board. Chairman Gerhard, Vice Chairman Stewart voted in favor, Motion Carried.
3. **A motion was made by Chairman Gerhard to appoint a Supervisor Representative to the Eastern Schuylkill Recreation Commission for a One-year Term – Ed Titus.** Becky Coccio-Roberts polled the board. Chairman Gerhard, Vice Chairman Stewart voted in favor, Motion Carried.
4. **A motion was made by Chairman Gerhard to Set Township Reimbursement Rate for Milage for 2026 at \$ 72.5 cents/mi. .** Becky Coccio-Roberts polled the board. Chairman Gerhard, Vice Chairman Stewart voted in favor, Motion Carried
5. **A motion was made by Chairman Gerhard to use the Times News as the Newspaper of the Township.** Becky Coccio-Roberts polled the board. Chairman Gerhard, Vice Chairman Stewart voted in favor, Motion Carried.
6. **A motion was made by Chairman Gerhard to approve the Sewer Capacity Agreement with Bates, LLC for the one EDU for proposed Lot 2, My Brothers Beer Barn, of the Provoco Pinewood LLC subdivision for the Wawa and authorizing the Chairman to execute the agreement on behalf of the Supervisors. This approval is conditioned on compliance with Paragraph 6 thereof by which ARRO will perform an inspection of the beer distributorship facility on the relevant parcel, and confirmation by ARRO of the non-existence of any waste generating facility and/or water supply facility beyond those necessary for the allotment of 1 EDU. .** Becky Coccio-Roberts polled the board. Chairman Gerhard, Vice Chairman Stewart voted in favor, Motion Carried.
7. **A motion was made by Chairman Gerhard approving the Sewer Capacity Agreement with Provco Pinewood LLC for seven EDU's for proposed Lot 1, proposed Wawa, of the Provoco Pinewood LLC subdivision for Wawa and authorizing the Chairman to execute the agreement on behalf of the Supervisors, This approval is conditioned on the Sewer Capacity Agreement with Bates being finalized.** Becky Coccio-Roberts polled the board. Chairman Gerhard, Vice Chairman Stewart voted in favor, Motion Carried.
8. **A motion was made by Chairman Gerhard approving the Development and Improvement Agreement with Provoco Pinewood LLC for improvements required and depicted on the Provoco Pinewood LLC Land Development Plans prepared by Bohler Engineering and authorizing the Chairman to execute the agreement on behalf of the Supervisors.** Becky Coccio-Roberts polled the board. Chairman Gerhard, Vice Chairman Stewart voted in favor, Motion Carried.
9. **A motion was made by Chairman Gerhard approving the Development and Improvement Agreement with Wawa Inc. for improvements required and depicted on the Provoco Pinewood LLC Land Development Plans prepared by Bohler Engineering and authorizing the Chairman to execute the agreement on behalf of the Supervisors. This approval is conditioned upon receipt of a Bond for the improvements in a form acceptable to the Solicitor.** Becky Coccio-Roberts polled the board. Chairman Gerhard, Vice Chairman Stewart voted in favor, Motion Carried.
10. **A motion was made by Chairman Gerhard to authorize the Solicitor to execute a Stipulation on behalf of Rush Township to resolve a tax assessment appeal filed by the**

owner of parcel number 25-26-0403.000 to set the value at \$56,000 land, \$308,200 improvements, \$364,200 total. This authorization is conditioned upon the willingness of both Schuylkill County and the relevant School District to likewise stipulate. Becky Coccio-Roberts polled the board. Chairman Gerhard, Vice Chairman Stewart voted in favor, Motion Carried

Public Comments-

- R. Liebensperger asked about Resolution 2026-06 and if we were changing accounts (typo).
- Chairman Gerhard read a letter from the Ambulance thanking Rush township and Elden for the help freeing the ambulance. A supervisor said call a tow truck.
- Josh Grimm stood up and reiterated the ambulance being stuck.
- Scott asked what an EDU was.
- Scott asked how the police make their schedules.
- Bill Boyer brought up about the street behind him needs to be taken care of by the township. (residents down further maintain the Right of way)
- Robert Leibensperger mentioned that there are signs missing and damaged and we need to keep up.
- Tom Klein thanked George and Jim for their patience and calmness.

Supervisors Comment:

ADJOURNMENT – Have a great night! Meeting Adjourned!