

EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
PUBLIC BUSINESS MEETING
589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837
September 8, 2025

Chairman Knight called the Board of Supervisors Meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Those present: Chairman James Knight; Vice Chairman Tom Zorn; Supervisor Katie Evans; Township Manager/Secretary/Treasurer Jolene Helwig; Township Solicitor Peter Matson; Planning/Zoning Tom MacDonald.

Members of the public in attendance: Ralph and Dori McIlvaine; Tina Prowant; Ron Lentz; Justin Strawser (Daily Item); Shawn McLaughlin; and Gawhara Abouzeid (Standard Journal).

Hearing of Visitors:

- Tina Prowant asked the supervisors to consider painting white speed lines on the township roads, so the Buffalo Valley Regional Police Department (BVRPD) could run traffic stops.
- Ralph and Dori McIlvaine asked if the speed limit sign could be placed on State Route 45 (SR0045)
- Ron Lentz asked the supervisors if there were any updates on Bucknell Parking on North 10th Street adjacent to his property.

Reports of Officials:

- Chairman Knight
 - On August 28th the CSFES had a meeting to finalize the intergovernmental agreement between East Buffalo Township, Kelly Township, and Lewisburg Borough. They also reviewed the draft budget, still working on some funding ideas and grant proposals, both for equipment purchases and for facility renovation, which they desperately need.
 - On September 2nd, the TASA grant application was submitted to PennDOT; they confirmed that they have received it. Just waiting for them to schedule a review before final application is submitted. This is due at the end of October.
 - September 4th had a meeting with Chief Blount to clarify a few things with the budget.
 - Had a follow up with Philip Hackenberg about the Turtle Creek Park Forest Management Plan. He sent a draft document today, but he plans to get the final plan by September 15th.
 - Contacted HRG about getting a proposal for the Safe Streets for All Safety Action Plan, they are planning to get a proposal to us by our October meeting.
- Vice Chairman Zorn:
 - I attended the CSFES meeting on August 28th.
- Supervisor Evans: nothing to report.
- Township Manager/Secretary/Treasurer Helwig
 - Highlighted a list of meetings attended for the month of August.
 - Informed the Board and the public that the fall round for brush and yard waste began; reminded them that they still had time to get brush permits to take their material to the Brush Drop-off Site.
 - Informed the Board that the Union County Association of Township Officials Convention is scheduled for Wednesday, October 22, at the One Barn Farm, located in Mifflinburg. Registration

starts at 4:30 PM, meeting to be held at 5:30 PM, I need to know who all is attending by Friday, September 19th.

- It has been announced that the Township Office will be closed on Wednesday, September 10th, due to off-site training.

Chairman Knight acknowledged receipt of the July Buffalo Valley Regional Police Departments (BVRPD) Reports.

Chairman Knight acknowledged Board receipt of the July Central Keystone Council of Governments (CKCOG) Report.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Chairman Zorn to approve the Robert and Carole Hamm Minor Subdivision Plan contingent on receipt of the sewer module model.

Knight-y; Zorn-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the August 25, 2025, work session meeting minutes as distributed.

Knight-y; Zorn-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Zorn to approve the expenditures for August 2025 as presented.

Knight-y; Zorn-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Zorn to adopt **Resolution 20-2025** adopting the Union County Comprehensive Plan as the Official Comprehensive Plan of Record for East Buffalo Township.

Knight-y; Zorn-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

The Board of Supervisors took no action on the CKCOG Property Maintenance Code, however, there was ongoing discussion about considering whether to include Chapter 8 (Rental inspections/standards) as part of the ordinance. Jim will collaborate with Solicitor Matson's office to finalize the draft for review.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to establish Halloween Trick or Treating hours in East Buffalo Township for Friday, October 31, 2025, from 5:30 PM to 8:00 PM.

Knight -y; Zorn-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

The Board of Supervisor discussed doing Halloween in the Fairground Road Park. Katie and Jo to figure out a date and time to be discussed at the Monday, September 22nd Work Session meeting.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Zorn to award Redrock Construction, Inc. the Turtle Creek Road Bridge Reinforced Concrete Deck System & Barrier Curb in the amount of \$92,175.

Knight-y; Zorn-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Zorn to provide a Letter of Support to the Union County Trail Authority for the Buffalo Valley Rail Trail US 15 Crossing TASA grant.

Knight-y; Zorn-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve **Resolution 21-2025**, to amend and restate the Intergovernmental Cooperation agreement (IGA) between East Buffalo Township, Kelly Township and the Lewisburg Borough forming the Central Susquehanna Fire and Emergency Services (CSFES).

Knight-y; Zorn-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Zorn to appoint Cory Adams to serve a term on the Board of Trustees from January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2028, as the PSATS Unemployment Compensation Group Trust Trustee.

Knight-y; Zorn-y; Evans -y; Motion Carried

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Zorn to approve the Buffalo Valley Recreation Authority (BVRA) Agreement to increase East Buffalo Township's current contribution three percent (3%) and to allow this agreement to automatically renew thereafter, on an annual basis unless terminated by either party. Motion died after more discussion and it was agreed upon to see if a board member could attend the Monday, September 22nd, Work Session meeting to discuss why they need a (3%) increase in funding.

Informed the Board of Supervisors and public that volunteers for 2026 were needed to fill the expiring terms unless the current volunteers wanted to be reappointed. New volunteer forms would need to be completed and returned to the office before the end of the year, so the supervisors could make their recommendations at the January 5th Reorganizational Meeting.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to authorize Solicitor Matson's Office to make any additional changes, if any, and authorize advertisement of the public notice for adoption and provision of the Ordinance to the Union County Planning Commission for review regulating Cryptocurrency and Data Mining Operations.

For the Good of the Order: No comments.

Announcements: Township Manager called for an executive session at the end of the meeting to discuss personnel issue.


Press Time:

- Justin Strawser (Daily Item) asked for clarification on the cryptocurrency and data mining operation ordinance, clarification on the Buffalo Valley Rail Trail US 15 Crossing.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to enter into the Executive Session at 6:56 PM.

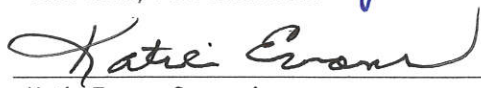
Motion by Vice Chairman Zorn seconded by Supervisor Evans to exit the Executive Session at 7:26 PM.

Motion by Vice Chairman Zorn seconded by Supervisor Evans to adjourn at 7:26 PM.


Jolene Helwig, Secretary


James Knight, Chairman


Tom Zorn, Vice Chairman


Katie Evans, Supervisor