

EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
PUBLIC BUSINESS MEETING
589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837
March 09, 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 (online); Township Manager/Treasurer Jolene Helwig; Assistant Roadmaster Jeff Oberdorf; Secretary Aleigh Heckman; Township Solicitor Jason Brudecki; Planning/Zoning Tom MacDonald.

Members of the public in attendance: Cliff Brown; Vincent Difonzo (Standard Journal); Harry Gural; Chief James Blount; Tina Prowant; Christopher Miller; Justin Strawser (Daily Item); and Kyle Gardner.

Chairman Knight announced an Information Session was held on Monday, February 24, 2026, at 10:00 AM to discuss the Safety Action Plan with the Safety Working Group.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Zorn to add amend the agenda and add the Girls on the Run 5k Course as a line item under new business.

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

Hearing of Visitors:

- Chief Blount from the William Cameron Engine Company (WCEC) provided the supervisors with updates on the fire department. There was a total of 794 calls for service in the first quarter of 2026, 196 calls within EBT. He noted that a new reporting platform launched at the end of 2025, and the team is working to restore access to older information. Fire inspections continue; minor violations identified as outdated fire extinguishers, locked exit doors, electrical-panel issues; all mitigated easily. There were no major incidents in the township, but it was reported that there was one (1) residential fire in the township contained to mostly smoke and water damage. The WCEC is applying for the World Development Grant application for fire-station renovation, they have received forty-five (45) letters of support and reached out to GT Thompson's office and Senator Fetterman's office to secure support.

Report of Officials:

- Chairman Knight
 - Reported that he exchanged a couple of emails with Cherished Cats and got some information but still had a couple of questions for Sarah Kline to get back to him on. One thing she did note was they are not managing any cat colonies in the township, so if there is feeding going on, it was not authorized by them.
 - Stated that he and Brian Auman are continuing to work with the Bucknell Environmental Studies class on various activities on the trail project at Turtle Creek Park.
- Vice Chairman Zorn:
 - Attended two regional police meetings on February 11 and February 25; also participated in a glass recycling webinar on February 18.
- Supervisor Evans:
 - Mentioned that she also attended the Safety Action Plan meeting with the Safety Working Group.
- Township Manager Helwig

- Informed the supervisors and the public about the monthly newsletter that was created for the month of March.
 - Mentioned attending several Safety Action Plan meetings; several PSATS webinars; and the Union County America 250 PA meeting.
 - Reported that notices were received from Tyler Technologies Field Data Collection would be visiting residential and agricultural properties for the Union County reassessment data; Commonwealth of PA Department of Transportation that East Buffalo Township would receive \$294,436.15 in Municipal Liquid Fuel money; the PA State Dog Warden for Snyder and Union County, will be cracking down on dog licenses and canvassing the area to make sure all dogs are licensed and have their rabies vaccines; a letter from the Merrill W. Linn Land and Waterways Conservancy, that sometime between March 27 and May 3 our Turtle Creek Park 2026 property inspection will take place; and HRG Engineer's report was sent and she will email it to all parties.
 - Noted that the 2026 Paving and Line Painting Bids were posted and emailed to the current contracts that are on file with the Township.
- Assistant Roadmaster Oberdorf
 - Reported the Public Works Crew is busy doing the tree trimming; the contractor is backed doing the work on the Turtle Creek Road Bridge, forming the bridge deck, and getting it ready to be poured.
 - Informed the supervisors and the public that Comcast and Windstream will be in the area doing directional drilling to put in fiber optic lines both overhead and underground.
 - Mentioned that PPL is working on the replacement of poles and power lines.
- Township Secretary Heckman
 - Mentioned attending the Safety Working Group meeting and posting the survey and other materials to the Township Website, Facebook Page, TextMyGov site, and it was distributed to the Union County Public Library, Miller Center, and Buffalo Valley Recreation Authority (BVRA).

Chairman Knight acknowledged Board receipt of the January 2026 Buffalo Valley Regional Police Department Report.

Chairman Knight acknowledged Board receipt of the February 2026 Central Keystone Council of Governments (CKCOG) Report.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Zorn to approve the February 9, 2026, Business meeting minutes as distributed.

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

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the expenditures for February 2026 as presented.

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

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Zorn to deny the request to install a streetlight at the intersection of Hilltop Road and Smoketown Road.

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

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Zorn to authorize Solicitor Matson's Office to draft ordinance revision to include items one, two, three, five, six, and nine on the list to the new solar ordinance.

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

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Zorn to approve the US 15 Signal Upgrade and Safety Improvements Agreement and receive comments from the borough solicitor and acceptance by the township solicitor.

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

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the Green Light Go Grant **Resolution 08-2026**, authorizing the Township Manager to submit the grant agreement and sign the application on behalf of the Township.

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

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Zorn to approve the annual insurance renewals with Penn National, Greenwich and Cowbell Cyber companies totaling \$105,975 for policies renewing April 1, 2026.

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

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the Bison Stamped Route for Friday, June 12, 2026, starting a 9 AM.

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

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Zorn to appoint Sandy Field to serve on the East Buffalo Township Zoning Hearing Board for a three-year term expiring December 2028.

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

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve a letter of support to the William Cameron Engine Company for the Community Project Funding application.

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

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Zorn to cancel the original letter of credit at this point upon receipt of the financial security from Geisinger.

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

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Zorn to require that mobile food trucks or trailers be moved every three days.

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

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the Girls on the Run 5K race for Saturday, April 25, 2026.

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

For the Good of the Order: no comments.

Announcements: no comments.

Press Time:

- Justin Strawser (Daily Item) asked for clarification on the Solar Ordinance; the agreement with East Buffalo Township (EBT)/Borough of Lewisburg (BORO) and Union County Trail Authority (UCTA) US 15 Trail Crossing Signal; the Green Light Go (GLG) grant resolution; and Mobile Food Vendor Ordinance.

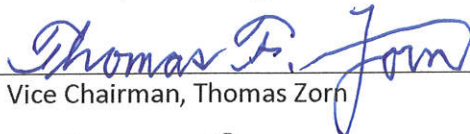
Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Zorn to enter an Executive Session at 6:43 PM.

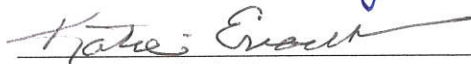
Motion by Vice Chairman Zorn seconded by Chairman Knight to exit from Executive Session at 7:12 PM.

Motion by Vice Chairman Zorn seconded by Chairman Knight to adjourn at 7:12 PM.


Secretary


Chairman, James Knight


Vice Chairman, Thomas Zorn


Supervisor, Katie Evans