

EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
PUBLIC BUSINESS MEETING
589 Fairground Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837
September 14, 2026

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

Those present: Chairman James Knight; Vice Chairman Tom Zorn; Supervisor Katie Evans; Township Manager/Treasurer Jolene Helwig; Assistant Roadmaster Jeff Oberdorf; Township Solicitor Peter Matson; and Planning/Zoning Tom MacDonald absent.

Members of the public are in attendance: Charles Doebler (Standard Journal); Steve Trimble; Tina Prowant; Wyatt Troxell; Jeremiah Lauker (BIA); Eric Reed; and Corporal Martez Faulkner (BVRPD).

Chairman Knight announced an Information Session was held on Tuesday, September 8, 2026, at 9:30 AM to get an update on the status of the building HVAC system.

Chairman Knight called a Public Hearing to order at 5:31 PM to Consider the adoption of an ordinance to amend Chapter 13, of the Code of Ordinances regarding Transient Retail Merchants and Mobile Food Vendors in East Buffalo Township.

Public Hearing Comments:

- Eric Reed asked the supervisors if they could give 30-second summary of what is in the ordinance.

Chairman Knight closed the Public Hearing at 5:34 PM

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Zorn to adopt **Ordinance 434** amending Chapter 13, of the Code of Ordinances regarding Transient Retail Merchants and Mobile Food Vendors in East Buffalo Township. Knight-y; Zorn-y; Evans-y; Motion Carried

Hearing of Visitors:

- Tina Prowant, brought to the attention of the Supervisors about some issues she noticed in the parking lot at the Township Office Building.
- Jeremiah Leuker, from Barry Bisett & Associates Inc. (BIA), introduced himself to the Board of Supervisors; gave a short introduction on the company he works for; and had out some materials for the supervisor to review.

Report of Officials:

- Chairman Knight:
 - Informed the supervisors that Brian Auman and himself met with a group called Chesapeake Alliance at Turtle Creek Park regarding a potential grant for tree planting. The group provided a proposal but both Brian and I had some questions and concerns. If the opportunity is available next year and we feel it is a good fit with the park masterplan, we can pursue it then.
 - Met with Chief Blount and Michelle Dietrich on August 21 regarding the 2027 William Cameron Engine Company budget, and attended the CSFES meeting on August 27th, which we reviewed the draft budget at the time, looking at a possible 5% increase in municipal funding.
 - Attended the Safety Action Plan meeting on August 27th and met with Jo and Justin Strasser from the Daily Item at Turtle Creek Park on August 31st. Justin did an article on the project that is getting started there.
- Vice Chairman Zorn:
 - Informed the supervisor he attended the CSFES meeting on August 27th, the Information Session on September 8th and the Regional Police Commission meeting on September 9th.

- Supervisor Evans:
 - Mentioned she attended the Planning Commission meeting on August 19th; the discussion was about data center; sat in on the Safety Action meeting on August 27th; attended the Buffalo Valley Regional Police Planning Commission meeting on August 28th; the Information Session on September 8th and the Regional Police Commission meeting on September 9th.
- Township Manager Helwig:
 - Provided the board with past and upcoming meetings that were attended or will be attending.
 - Mentioned that September's monthly newsletter was posted to our Facebook page and website page; a notice was sent via TextMyGov; and copies are available in the hallway or office.
 - Informed the board that the Job Notices were posted on August 20th in the Standard Journal and Daily, advertising will continue until September 29th, application and resumes due by September 30th. To date we have received three (3) resumes for the Secretary/Treasurer position and issued four (4) applications for the Public Works Laborer position, but none have been returned.
- Assistant Roadmaster Oberdorf:
 - Mentioned River Road, South 7th Street and Lan Avon paving projects are completed, but contractors had to come back last Friday and do about a 70-foot section on River Road over because it held water which would have been a disaster in the wintertime. Public Work Crew is building the shoulders since it was built up so high.
 - Announced that brush and yard waste pickup would begin on Tuesday, September 15th.

Chairman Knight acknowledged receipt of the July and August 2026 Buffalo Valley Regional Police Department (BVRPD) Reports.

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

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisors Evans to approve the August 10, 2026, Business 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 2026 as presented.

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

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to establish Halloween Trick or Treating hours in East Buffalo Township for Saturday, October 31, 2026, from 5:30 PM to 8:00 PM.

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

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Zorn to establish Halloween in the Park at Fairground Road Park on Saturday, October 31, 2026, from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM.

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

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Zorn to appoint Jack Hines and John "Jay" Wilkes, Jr. to serve a term on the Board of Trustees from January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2029, as the PSATS Unemployment Compensation Group Trust Trustee.

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

Informed the Board of Supervisors and public that volunteers for 2027 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 4th Reorganizational Meeting.

The Board of Supervisors took no action on the E-Bike/E-Scooter topic. However, Corporal Faulkner provided the Board of Supervisors and public with a better understanding of what an E-Bike and an E-Scooter is, and how it will be enforced. The supervisors asked Solicitor Matson's office to look at the current ordinance, starting with updating the definition.

The Board of Supervisors took no action on the budget notes and income review.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Zorn to approve the Girls on the Run 5K race for Saturday, November 21, 2026.

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

The Board of Supervisors took no action on the FY26/27 PennDOT Multi-Transportation Fund Grant. The new grant around opened on Monday, September 14th and will close at 4:00 PM on Friday, October 30th. The board decided to table this topic until the October 12th meeting.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to approve the Wooly Worm 5K race for Saturday, October 10, 2026.

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

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Vice Chairman Zorn to sign the retention letter agreement with the Lawyers for Good Government.

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

For the Good of the Order:

- Assistant Roadmaster Oberdorf provided the supervisors with the reports from the Hawthorne Drive speed study that was conducted for month due to resident concern.

Announcements:

- Vice Chairman Zorn congratulated Jo for being highlighted and profiled in our September Township News Magazine for accomplishing the courses that are necessary to graduate from the PMGA school within a little over a year.
- Township Manager asked the board to turn in their chairs and look at the new East Buffalo Township flag hanging on the wall. It is not permanent just waiting on the pole and base for the flag to be properly displayed.

Press Time: no comments.

Motion by Chairman Knight seconded by Supervisor Evans to enter an Executive Session at 6:44PM.

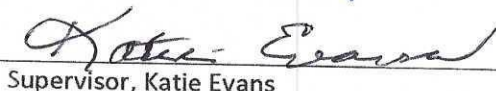
Motion by Vice Chairman Zorn seconded by Supervisor Evans to exit an Executive Session at 7:18PM.

Motion by Vice Chairman Zorn seconded by Supervisor Evans to adjourn at 7:18PM.


Secretary


Chairman, James Knight


Vice Chairman, Thomas Zorn


Supervisor, Katie Evans