

MINUTES OF THE OLEY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING HELD JANUARY 12, 2026

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Oley Township Municipal Building by Jeffrey Spatz with Supervisors Lisa Schaeffer and Zachary Wagner in attendance. Solicitor Kenneth Picardi; and Engineer Jessica Adams were also in attendance. The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was observed.

The meeting agenda was posted in the meeting room and the township website twenty-four hours prior to the start of the meeting. No public comment was heard on any of the listed agenda items.

A change was indicated to the December 8, 2025 minutes on page three, paragraph three, line one....insert "and that our Solicitor advised that" prior to "each". A change was indicated on page two, paragraph two, line one...delete "Ms. Adams" and replace with "Mr. Spatz". A motion was made by Jeffrey Spatz and seconded by Lisa Schaeffer to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2025, December 15, 2025, and December 29, 2025 meetings as corrected. Jeffrey Spatz – yes; Lisa Schaeffer – yes; Zachary Wagner - abstained. Two in favor, one abstained....motion carried. There being no changes to the January 5, 2026 minutes, a motion was made by Zachary Wagner and seconded by Lisa Schaeffer to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2026 meeting as presented. Jeffrey Spatz – yes; Lisa Schaeffer – yes; Zachary Wagner – yes. All in favor....motion carried.

The police department report for the month of December 2025 was read indicating 178 calls for the month. Chief Ray Serafin will be retiring on February 2, 2026. Chief Serafin thanked the township for working with him and his department since we have contracted with Central Berks Regional Police.

The road department report for the month of December 2025 was read. Duane Howard suggested that our engineer prepare the bid specifications for the Main Street road project which will be from Water Street to the township line since there is currently concrete underneath this roadway, there are guiderail concerns, drainage concerns, and to look at traffic calming measures, up to ten percent of the total contract price can be paid from the Liquid Fuels Fund for engineering costs. Mrs. Schaeffer suggested to look into grant opportunities for some of these road projects. A motion was made by Jeffrey Spatz and seconded by Zachary Wagner to engage LTL Consultants to perform a feasibility study for the Main Street road project from Water Street to the township line. Jeffrey Spatz – yes; Lisa Schaeffer – yes; Zachary Wagner – yes. All in favor....motion carried. DEP has approved the GP-11 permit for the Yoder Road bridge repairs and are in the process of receiving guiderail quotes for the reinstallation of guiderail after the bridge repairs to the beams are complete, also waiting to receive quotes from metal suppliers for the bridge beams.

The Fire Chief's report for the month of December 2025 was read indicating a total of 53 calls and a total of 502 calls for 2025. A motion was made by Lisa Schaeffer and seconded by Zachary Wagner to appoint Michael Meredith and Brian Colon, Jr. as Fire Police for 2026. Jeffrey Spatz – yes; Lisa Schaeffer – yes; Zachary Wagner – yes. All in favor....motion carried.

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The Ambulance Chief's report for the month of December 2025 was read indicating a total of 121 calls and a total of 1,158 calls for 2025.

The Stuart Synder property located at 118 Mill Road is in violation of sanitation, accumulation of rubbish or garbage, and disposal of rubbish, recent visit revealed a lot of junk and debris on property and several inoperable RV's and vehicles, a hearing has been scheduled for January 13, 2026, Atty. Picardi will attend this hearing on behalf of the township. The Kyle J. Rhoads property located at 14 Carriage Circle is in violation of inoperable vehicles, rubbish which includes stacks of tires, branches, household items and children's toys scattered about the yard, and vegetation, citations issued on October 23, 2025, an auction of this property may occur in early February. The Liquid Motion property located at 80 Mine Lane is in violation of property maintenance, not much progress on cleanup, no phone calls returned to zoning officer, DEP should be contacted to check if the slurry application is being properly applied to the fields, it was agreed to pursue all violations. A hearing was held for the code violations at the Bertolami property at 10 Hoch Road and the judge found them guilty and they paid a \$1,000 fine. There are at least eight unlicensed and/or inoperable vehicles on the property at 12 Water Street, it was agreed to instruct the zoning officer to address all zoning issues on this property. Received complaints of clear-cutting all trees on the Ringler property at 21 Spangsville Road, it was agreed to have the zoning officer address any zoning issues/violations on this property immediately.

Atty. Picardi has not heard from Harold Hetrick on the letter he sent that the township will terminate the ground lease with him for the 3.5 acres of land along Route 73 on April 30, 2026. Mr. Spatz suggested to prepare a lease with the stipulation that the winter wheat crop can be harvested or we could offer to pay Mr. Hetrick for the crop, we should advertise for bids for the ground lease in early March 2026. Atty. Picard will prepare specifications for bids. Mr. Wagner suggested this to be a five year lease.

Received call from Kinetic questioning how to obtain a franchise agreement with our township for their fiber optic services that they provide to township residents. Atty. Picardi will contact Kinetic and work on developing a franchise agreement with them.

Mr. Spatz said he signed the quotes with Ridge Support for the laptops, SharePoint, and memory box that we approved last month. Mr. Spatz would like to obtain a quote from Yoder's Electrical for adding additional receptables in the meeting room for the monitor.

Mr. Spatz spoke with Representative David Maloney and Senator Judy Schwank regarding the Highway Occupancy Plan scoping application submitted to PennDOT for the AutoZone proposal and provided them with concerns with the Route 73 and Friedensburg Road intersection should this proposal move forward.

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The financial report was called for and read. A motion was made by Lisa Schaeffer and seconded by Zachary Wagner to accept the financial report and pay all the bills and salaries. Jeffrey Spatz – yes; Lisa Schaeffer – yes; Zachary Wagner - yes. All in favor....motion carried.

Public comment:

1. Daniel Laudenslayer – Presented us with a Stormwater Controls and Best Management Practices Operations and Maintenance Agreement for the Ralph Richard hay barn addition. They have already received the approval letter from Berks County Conservation District for this project. Atty. Picardi will need to revise this form in order to be able to have it recorded in the courthouse, he will have this complete for our next meeting.

2. Todd Kegerise – He will be providing a copy of the Emergency Management Plan to Mr. Wagner and then we will need to promulgate it to add Mr. Wagner on the plan as an official of the township.

The next regular meeting will be held Monday, February 9, 2026 at 7:00 P.M.

A motion was made by Jeffrey Spatz and seconded by Zachary Wagner to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Jeffrey Spatz – yes; Lisa Schaeffer – yes; Zachary Wagner – yes. All in favor....motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley M. Moyer
Secretary/Treasurer

Cc: J. Spatz
L. Schaeffer
Z. Wagner
K. Picardi
J. Adams