October 20th 2025

The Branch Township Board of Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on October 20th, 2025, at 6:00pm at the Branch Township Memorial Building Llewellyn PA. In attendance were Joseph Carvajal, Sue Ellen Holley, David Schultz Sr. (Supervisors) Gino DiNicola (Solicitor) John Direnzo (Planning Commission).

A motion to approve the September meeting minutes was made by Supervisor Schultz, seconded by Supervisor Carvajal, all in favor.

A motion to approve the current month's bills was made by Supervisor Schultz, seconded by Supervisor Carvajal, all in favor.

General Fund

Net Payroll 9/16-10/20	21,978.86	PA Withholding	366.99
PA Withholding	415.33	Pa Withholding	288.74
Federal Tax Deposit	58.22	Federal Tax Deposit	1,183.70
Federal Tax Deposit	2,063.22	Federal Tax Deposit	976.46
Federal Tax Deposit	1,304.52	Federal Tax Deposit	58.22
Federal Tax Deposit	1,328.20	PA UC	52.30
PSATS UC	358.45	Berkheimer EIT & LST	887.78
Wex Bank	491.53	Elan Financial	725.00
Elan Financial	749.64	Arro Consulting	1,180.76
Anthracite waste	14,520.00	Arro Consulting	1,089.90
Blythe Township Water	1,346.00	Branch Township Fire Relief	10,215.09
Capital Blue Cross	4,195.40	Casella	600.00
Comcast	266.90	Fehr Supply	2,119.50
Gino DiNicola	180.00	Hadesty's	256.14
Highmark Blue Sheild	18.28	Laudeman Pest Control	50.00
Minersville Auto Parts	521.52	Newswagner Lawn	795.03
NEPA	295.00	PPL	229.91
Peifer's Fire Protection	312.25	Powerton Generators	64.60
Republican Herald	331.24	Robert E Reedy's	639.64
Steel & Metal Service Center	136.26	United Concordia	139.23
Werner Lumber	37.76	Republican Herald	170.64

Liquid Fuels

New Stone & Lime	145.02	Pottsville Materials	5,701.93
PPL	3,559.94		

Income

Anfernee Delcarmen(Building Permit)	64.50	Berkheimer	10,254.06

Commonwealth Of PA	10,726.06	Schuylkill County	73.50
Cyril Murphy (Building Permit)	85.00	Delinquent Sanitation	835.00
Elite Revenue	4,112.95	District Justice Court	359.72
Erin Connelly (Building Permit)	58.50	Extra Sanitation Services	260.00
Gail Bedford	65,886.51	H.A. Thomson	1,091.00
John Wagner (Building Permit)	62.50	Joseph Zieilnski (Building Permit)	18.50
Keith Blouch(Dumpster Permit)	25.00	Melissa Yourey(Plan Review Fee)	350.00
Parking Tickets	40.00	Peak Permit (Building Permit)	142.64
Stephen Smulley (Plan Review Fee)	150.00		

Account Balances

General Fund	29,396.46	PA Invest GF	249,870.17
ARPA	2.03	PA Invest GF Sub Acc	185,978.96
PA Invest Police	5,052.24	PA Invest LF	59,112.03
Liquid Fuels Checking	829.09	Cemetery Checking	4,190.09

Public Comment -None

Agenda

Bids for Generator – One bid was received by Blaine Fritz in the amount of 751.51. A motion to accept the bid was made by Supervisor Holley, seconded by Supervisor Carvajal, all in favor.

Ordinance 2025-1 Road Vacation – Solicitor Dinicola explained the ordinance was advertised and ready for approval contingently on receipt of deed of easement. Solicitor DiNicola stated he did reach out to Attorney Pellish requesting an update on the paperwork but did not hear back from him before tonight's meeting. After a brief discussion, Supervisor Holley made a motion to table the Ordinance approval until all paperwork is received, Supervisor Schultz seconded, all in favor.

On recommendation of the Branch Township Planning Commission- Bosack Lot Line Adjustment. A Motion to approve was made by Supervisor Holley, seconded by Supervisor Carvajal, all in favor.

Sunset St & Willow St . had been surveyed for the purpose of installing catch basins.

Resolution 2025-8 Appointment of CPA – A motion to approve Garcia Garman & Shea for the CPA was made by Supervisor Holley, seconded by Supervisor Carvajal, all in favor.

Standing Reports

The Building Code Official Report was read into the record by Supervisor Carvajal. A motion to approve the report was made by Supervisor Schultz, seconded by Supervisor Holley, all in favor. A complete report will be kept on file at the township office.

Solicitors report- Solicitor Dinicola will follow up with the property owner for the Blackwood St. road vacation. He also reports attending a hearing with Shannon Darker from Arro Consulting for code enforcement issues. Solicitor DiNicola gave an update on the Spring St. encroachment issue. He requested a motion to send the property owner a letter. A motion to approve was made by Supervisor Schultz, seconded by Supervisor Holley, all in favor. A motion to approve the Solicitors report was made by Supervisor Schultz, seconded by Supervisor Carvajal, all in favor.

Roadmasters report-Road repairs (Pear St, West West Ave. Sunset, Willing St., Dowdentown Road, Silverton Road) Grass cutting and equipment repairs. A motion to approve the report was made by Supervisor Holley, seconded by Supervisor Carvajal, all in favor. A complete report will be kept on file at the Township Office.

The Police report was read into the record by Supervisor Carvajal. A motion to approve the report was made by Supervisor Schultz, seconded by Supervisor Holley, all in favor. A complete report will be kept on file at the Township office.

A motion to approve the Arro Consulting report was made by Supervisor Schultz, seconded by Supervisor Holley, all in favor. A complete report will be kept on file at the Township office.

Meeting Adjourned 6:25

Respectfully Submitted by:

Sue Ellen Holley
Secretary /Treasurer