

**Tredyffrin Township  
Public Meeting  
Minutes – June 16, 2025**

A public meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Tredyffrin Township was held on the above date at the Tredyffrin Township Building and via Zoom. Board members present included Chair David Miller, Vice Chair Julie Gosse (via Zoom), KS Bhaskar, Matt Holt, Sharon Humble, Carlotta Johnston-Pugh, and Murph Wysocki. Also, in attendance were Township Manager William Martin; Chief Operating Officer Joseph DiRocco; Township Solicitor Patrick McKenna; Police Chief Mike Beaty; Director of Planning & Zoning Erin McPherson; Township Engineer Stephen Burgo; Director of Public Works Darin Fitzgerald; and Recording Secretary Patricia Hoffman.

The meeting dates for the year were advertised in the 12/27/2024 issue of Daily Local and the 1/5/2025 issue of the Main Line Suburban. The meetings dates for the year were published on the Township website by 12/31/2024 and were printed in the Township's newsletter 1/31/2025. The agenda was posted on the Township website 6/12/2025 and at the main entrance to the Township Building 6/13/2025. The revised agenda was posted on the Township website at the main entrance to the Township Building 6/14/2025. Copies of the agenda were made available for the public in attendance at the meeting.

**CALL TO ORDER PUBLIC MEETING**

Mr. Miller called to order the public meeting at 7:00 PM.

**SWEARING IN NEW POLICE OFFICERS/POLICE DEPARTMENT PROMOTIONS**

Judge Lauren Holt presided over the swearing in of new police officers Ryan Wolk, Riley Kontra, and Ryan Braim.

Chief Beaty announced the promotion of Corporal Brittany Rosenfeld and Detective Sara Dougherty.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- The Paoli Library is now open Sundays from 12 - 4 PM.
- Township offices will be closed between 11:30 and 1 tomorrow for a staff appreciation lunch.
- In observance of Juneteenth Independence Day, Township offices will be closed Thursday, June 19.
- The Arts Commission meeting scheduled for July 3 has been rescheduled to July 10.
- In observance of the Fourth of July, Township offices will close at 2 PM on Thursday, July 3, and will be closed on Friday, July 4.
- There will be a conditional use hearing starting at 5:30 PM on Monday, July 21, 2025, prior to the Board of Supervisors public meeting, to consider the expansion of the religious use facilities at 958 and 966 North Valley Forge Rd by the Islamic Society of Greater Valley Forge.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion made by Ms. Humble, seconded by Mr. Wysocki, and passed unanimously to approve minutes of the May 21, 2025 public meeting, as amended.

**TOWNSHIP BUSINESS**

Mr. Miller stated that the Board met in Executive Session prior to this meeting to discuss legal and personnel matters.

***Supervisor Liaison Reports***

The Supervisors provided reports for the following meetings:

- Ms. Humble reported that the Zoning Hearing Board meeting held on May 22. The next ZHB is scheduled for June 26.
- Mr. Holt reported on the Library Board of Trustees meeting held on May 22. The next meeting is scheduled for June 26 at the Paoli Library.
- Mr. Wysocki stated that the next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for June 18.
- Mr. Bhaskar thanked Dr. Gosse and Mr. Holt for covering meetings for him while he was unavailable.



- Mr. Bhaskar reported on the Environmental Advisory Council meeting held on May 27. The next meeting is scheduled for June 24.
- Ms. Johnston-Pugh reiterated that the Arts Commission meeting was rescheduled to July 10.
- Motion made by Dr. Gosse, seconded by Mr. Wysocki, and passed unanimously to reappoint Janice Olson and Rob Williams to the Historical Commission.

***More information for these meetings can be found on the Township website in the minutes for each meeting.***

***Charter Review Committee Update***

Mr. Martin reported that at the May 22 meeting, the Committee reviewed the red-lined draft of Article 7 – Finance Administration. The next meeting is scheduled for June 26.

***RESOLUTION: Valley Forge Sewer Authority***

Motion made by Mr. Holt and was seconded by Mr. Wysocki to adopt Resolution 2025-12 approving the Valley Forge Sewer Authority Act 537 Plan.

It was noted that this motion is related to Item D on the agenda and the Planning Commission has reviewed and approved the plan.

Mr. Martin stated that the Municipal Authority reviewed the Act 527 proposal. Mr. Miller confirmed that the proceeds will go into the Sewer Fund.

Municipal Authority Chair Mike Heaberg stated that the Municipal Authority is fully supportive of this, and the sale of excess capacity will be added to the Sewer Fund Reserves.

After discussion, a roll call vote was taken: Ms. Humble – aye; Mr. Holt – aye; Dr. Gosse – aye; Mr. Wysocki – aye; Mr. Bhaskar – aye; Ms. Johnston-Pugh – aye; Mr. Miller – aye. The motion passed with a 7-0 vote.

***VFSA Agreement***

Motion made by Mr. Bhaskar, seconded by Mr. Wysocki, and passed unanimously to approve the Valley Forge Sewer Authority agreement for Tredyffrin Township and the Municipal Authority to sell 253,650 gpd of excess reserved capacity in the Treatment Plant to VFSA and for VFSA to purchase the Tredyffrin Excess Capacity from Tredyffrin.

Resident Ray Clarke clarified how the current calculations and the price setting process were done and confirmed that Tredyffrin Township would retain enough capacity for any future needs. Mr. Heaberg responded that the calculation was based on Tredyffrin Township’s current tap-in fee.

Mr. Miller thanked Mr. Heaberg for his work and his representation of the Township on the VFSA Board.

***RESOLUTION: Intergovernmental Mutual Aid Agreement***

Motion made by Mr. Bhaskar and was seconded by Mr. Holt to adopt Resolution 2025-11 authorizing entering into an Intergovernmental Mutual Aid Agreement (“agreement”) between municipalities located in Chester County that have municipal police departments for the purpose of providing mutual aid.

Ms. Johnston-Pugh clarified that this agreement pertained to all municipalities in Chester County and that the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has an agreement in place to cross county lines.

After discussion, a roll call vote was taken: Ms. Humble – aye; Mr. Holt – aye; Dr. Gosse – aye; Mr. Wysocki – aye; Mr. Bhaskar – aye; Ms. Johnston-Pugh – aye; Mr. Miller – aye. The motion passed with a 7-0 vote.

***2025 Superpave Program***

Motion made by Mr. Bhaskar, seconded by Ms. Humble, and passed unanimously to award the contract for the 2025 Superpave Program to Allen Myers LP, the lowest qualified bidder, in the amount of \$1,152,474.

Resident Anne Murphy asked if Pugh Road was on the list following the work that PECO is doing on the road to which Mr. Fitzgerald responded that PECO would do any repaving that is needed.



Resident Roland Johnson, Paoli, shared his concerns about speeding drivers once the roads are repaved.

#### ***Firing Range Repairs***

Motion made by Mr. Bhaskar, seconded by Mr. Wysocki, and passed unanimously to authorize the HVAC and ventilation unit costs associated with Police Firing Range in the amount of \$235,627, which is above the amount in the 2025 budget for this work (\$200,000).

Mr. Bhaskar stated that he reviewed the request with Chief Beaty and learned that this work is needed to maintain the safety of the facility and the safety of Township police officers.

Ms. Johnston-Pugh asked for and received the timing for the project – a two-month timeframe once the work starts.

Ms. Humble asked for and received clarification for when work was last done on the facility – 30 years ago.

Mr. Heaberg asked for and received clarification about why the facility is needed and why the work needs to be done at this time. He also proposed that the Township consider renting the facility to other local municipalities once the repairs are complete.

#### ***West Circular Avenue Grant Application***

Motion made by Ms. Johnston-Pugh, seconded by Ms. Humble, and passed unanimously to approve a Letter of Support and Financial Commitment for the PADEP Grow Greener grant application for West Circular Avenue Stormwater Management and Drainage Improvement Project. The Township's financial commitment is a 30% match for design which will be in the budget for 2026 and 2027.

#### ***File Digitization Project***

Motion made by Ms. Johnston-Pugh, seconded by Mr. Wysocki, and passed unanimously to approve the proposal from Scantek for services, including re-indexing the digital files, validation, and integration with Docuware in the amount of \$20,857.11. There was \$10,000 previously allocated to Clarity for the data transfer that will be applied toward the Scantek proposal, leaving \$10,857.11 from the General Fund to complete this essential migration effort.

#### ***Capital Purchase – Sewer Department Pick-up Truck***

Motion made by Mr. Bhaskar, seconded by Mr. Holt, and passed unanimously to authorize capital purchase of replacement pick-up truck for the Sewer Department that was totaled by a falling tree at a cost to the Township of \$48,528. The remaining \$32,259 will be paid through insurance.

Mr. Bhaskar expressed thanks that no one was hurt.

Resident Richard Kunin asked for and received clarification that there were some insurance funds covering the cost of the replacement truck.

#### ***Wilson Farm Park Renovations***

Motion made by Ms. Humble, seconded by Mr. Wysocki, and passed unanimously to award the rebid for Wilson Farm Park renovations as follows:

General Contractor	SB Conrad Inc.	\$1,363,000 – Base Bid \$ 21,000 – Alt 2 Pavillion Upgrades <u>\$ 110,000 – Alt 3 Path seal coat</u> \$1,494,000 – total general bid
Plumbing	SB Conrad Inc.	\$210,000
Electrical	No Bids Received	Not to exceed \$98,000 (waiting for receipt of other proposals)
Playground Equipment	General Recreation	\$709,334.25



Total cost for recommended renovations is \$2,511,334.25 funded as follows: \$1,100,000 – 2019 GO Bonds; \$1,025,000 – DNCR Grant; \$40,000 – Parks Foundation; \$346,334.25 from Township Reserves.

Ms. Johnston-Pugh asked for and received a review of work done and funds spent on the other smaller Township parks. Mr. DiRocco noted that the Township's ARPA funds were most used for these projects. Mr. Holt clarified that no ARPA funds were allocated for Wilson Farm Park.

Mr. Johnson expressed concerns about the amount of money allocated for this project and the concern controlling the geese population in Wilson Farm Park. He also expressed concern about spending Township funds for the eminent domain purchase for pickle-ball courts in Chesterbrook. He expressed worry about the long-term effects on the future budget and taxes. Ms. Humble addressed the issues and improvements in other parks and the funds used and reviewed the work still needed in those parks.

Mr. Holt noted that only 5% of the annual budget is for parks.

Mr. Bhaskar noted that the Supervisors speak with residents on a regular basis.

Mr. Miller noted for Mr. Johnson that many of the expenditures approved by the Supervisors at a meeting are already allocated in the budget for the year and the projects are getting approved because estimates have been received and work is ready to begin.

Resident David Mackey shared his concerns for the project and the spending Township funds for the eminent domain purchase for pickle-ball courts in Chesterbrook when pickleball courts were part of the Wilson Farm Park Master Plan a few years ago. Mr. DiRocco responded that the bids at that time were too high to consider to include in Wilson Farm Park.

Mr. Kunin stated that the Township is responsible to protect the safety and welfare of the citizens and that by maintaining and improving the parks, they are fulfilling their responsibility.

#### ***Right-of-Way Documents – Old Eagle School Road***

Motion made by Ms. Johnston-Pugh, seconded by Mr. Wysocki, and passed unanimously to approve PennDOT Right-of-Way Sanitary Sewer Facilities Operations, Maintenance and Endowment Agreements for IHII 5, LLC for 650 and 660 Old Eagle School Road.

#### ***Escrow Release***

Motion made by Ms. Johnston-Pugh, seconded by Ms. Humble, and passed unanimously to approve escrow release request #3 in the amount of \$52,508.50 for Meinel Road LLC/105 Vincent Road; balance remaining \$84,409.28.

### **NEW MATTERS**

#### ***Board***

Mr. Holt asked for more clarification regarding the Parcel 19 issue with the islands on Chesterbrook Boulevard. Mr. Fitzgerald responded that the Township mows the island near Adams Road. Mr. Miller noted that there is a small portion of island on Chesterbrook Boulevard that is maintained by the Township. Parcel 1 HOA is responsible for the island near the Middle School to Valley Forge Road. Parcel 19 HOA is responsible for the island near the shopping center to the corporate center. Their landscaper used to plant the flowers and maintain it, but they have chosen not to do that work as part of their contract this year. All supervisors agreed that the issue needs to be resolved.

Ms. Johnston-Pugh thanked Public Works for any help they provided in contacting PennDOT to repair the crater on Upper Gulph Road.

#### ***Citizens***

Resident Carol Rahill expressed concern about property values in Chesterbrook being affected by the poor maintenance of the islands on Chesterbrook Boulevard. Mr. Miller responded that the property she is referring to belongs to Parcel 19 HOA and not the Township, but the Township does cut the grass periodically.



Paoli Fire Chief Bob Robie thanked the municipalities, the Police Departments, and the communities for their support of the Paoli Fire Company annual open house that was held on June 7. It was well attended.

Yellow Springs Road resident Andy O'Brien shared his concerns regarding his neighbor's native bamboo that is invading his property and asked the Supervisors to consider enacting an ordinance regarding invasive species of plants. Mr. Miller asked him to send his information to the supervisors via email. Ms. McPherson also suggested that he attend the next Environmental Advisory Council meeting and discuss it with them and ask them for their cooperation in moving this forward.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors is scheduled for Monday, July 21, 2025.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:52 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Hoffman  
Recording Secretary