

**Montgomery Township**  
**1220 Cush Creek Road, Cherry Tree, PA 15724-7728**  
**Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday April 09, 2025**

**Members Present:** William Burba, Ed Freno and Kevin Penrose

**Members Absent:** None

**Others Present:** Gayle Freno – Former Township Auditor, Ron – Suit-Kote Representative, Dave Clawson – Cherry Tree Borough Police Department, Patty Goodlin – Tax Collector

**Meeting Called to Order:** William Burba called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Public Comment (Limited to Agenda Items):** None

**Request to be on Agenda:** None

**Correspondence:** Received PSATS News Bulletin

**Minutes:** Kevin motioned to accept the Monthly Meeting Minutes for March, second Ed, carried.

**Treasury Report:** Ed motioned to approve the Treasury Report, second Kevin, carried.

**Payment of Bills:** Kevin motioned to pay the bills, second Ed, carried.

## **Old Business:**

**Bids for Stone and Dust Oil:** Bids were opened. Ed motioned to award the bid for 2A Modified to Ligonier Stone & Lime Company, MC-70 and CRS-2 to Suit-Kote and #8 Washed Limestone and AS-4 Anti-Skid to Hillsdale Construction, second Kevin, carried.

**Update Emergency Medical Services:** The Board attended a meeting held by Citizens Ambulance on April 02. The Ambulance is requesting financial help from every township and borough to cover costs from January through July of 2026 until the Authority is set up. They also were told that once the Authority is formed the ambulances will only be used for Emergency Medical not transportation services.

**Update Emergency Reporting Email:** Jim Hopkins, III, the Township's Emergency Management Coordinator informed everyone at the NEICECA Meeting on March 19 that he planned on sending out information on the Emergency Reporting email with the tax bills. Patty Goodlin informed the Board that he would have to get permission from the school or County in order to do that. The secretary will let Jim know.

**America 250 Plans:** Bill motioned to table, second Kevin.

## **New Business**

**Money Market Accounts:** The special interest rate on the Money Market Accounts at First Commonwealth Bank will expire at the end of April. The secretary contacted two other banks to see what rate they could offer, both had been lower than the new rate of 3.95 APR that First Commonwealth has offered. Kevin motioned to stay with First Commonwealth, second Ed, carried.

**Burn Ban Ordinance:** The Board discussed establishing a Burn Ban Ordinance. The fire company had asked all the townships to do this to help prevent fires getting out of control and catching wooded areas on fire. Kevin motioned to contact the Solicitor to have an Ordinance drawn up, second Ed, carried.

**Police Report:** Chief Dave Clawson read the March Report. Officers conducted traffic details, conducted security checks on open and closed businesses, conducted Speed Enforcement on 286, conducted safety detail with school bus pick-ups, there had been three traffic stops. Officers served a warrant on Cherry Tree Road, were dispatched to Clark Road for Amish building without a permit, had been called to the Dollar General Store for a Welfare check and had an ATV complaint on Number 11 Road. Hours worked 50 at \$40.00 per hour for a total of \$2,000.00. Dave informed the Board that they had hired Tyler Collin as a Part-time officer.

## **Announcements**

**Food Pick Up List for 2025:** April 08, May 13, June 10, July 8, August 12, September 9, October 14, November 11 and December 9.

**Regular Monthly Meeting** – Wednesday, May 14, 2025 Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Building, 1220 Cush Creek Road, Cherry Tree, PA 15724.

**Recycling Dates 2025:** April 26; June 14; August 02; and September 27

**Public Comment:** None

**Adjournment:** Kevin motioned to adjourn the meeting, second Ed, carried.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Paula Burba*  
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Secretary/Treasurer