

**LOWER PAXTON TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Minutes of the meeting held on October 14, 2025

A workshop meeting of the Lower Paxton Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:06 p.m. by Chair Kurtz on the above date at the Lower Paxton Township Municipal Center, 425 Prince Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Supervisors present, in addition to Ms. Kurtz, were Pamela Thompson, Allen McCormack, Jill Vecchio, and John Njeim. Also in attendance were Thomas Vernau, Interim Township Manager, Adam Kosheba, Assistant Township Manager/Director, Public Safety and Kevin Hall, Solicitor.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mrs. Vecchio led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Announcement

Ms. Kurtz announced that the Supervisors met in an executive session Tuesday, October 7, 2025, and prior to the meeting to discuss personnel matters.

Public Comment

Eric Kessler, 6041 Running Pump Lane, inquired about Blackberry Lane, Raspberry Alley, and the Linglestown Roundabout.

Bill Bostic, 6204 Elmer Ave., commented on the proposed Wenrich Street development.

Jay Purdy, 4731 Duke St., commented on the Township's Second-Class status and suggested that the Supervisors consider transitioning to a First – Class Township.

Kimberly Hershey, 146 N. Arlington Ave., commented on the potholes, overgrown grass and weeds, and asked when her street is scheduled to be repaved.

Glenn Braxton 144 N. Arlington Ave., commented on the stormwater runoff from

Elmerton Ave. running into his backyard.

William Miller, 4311 Crestview Lane, commented on the barricade at Raspberry Lane.

Chairman & Board Members' Comments

There was none.

Presentation of a Proclamation of Recognition to the Central Dauphin Baseball Association's 8U Team

Mrs. Vecchio presented a proclamation of recognition to the Central Dauphin Baseball Association's 8U Team. The Central Dauphin Baseball Association (CDBA) 8U All-Star team had a stellar 2025 season, winning the Cal Ripken/Babe, Ruth Northwest PA State Championship and competing in the World Series in Cherry Hill, NJ.

Adopt Resolution 25-14, Appointing a New Township Manager

Mr. McCormack motioned to adopt Resolution 25-14 appointing Michael H. Gossert as township manager of Lower Paxton Township. Ms. Thompson seconded the motion. Ms. Kurtz called for a voice vote, and a unanimous vote followed.

Joe Lindsey, 6244 Overview Lane, commented on the new Township Manager's employment status; he wanted to know if the position was at will or under a contract.

Discussion on Statewide Local Share Assessment (LSA) Grant Application(s) and Resolution 25-15

Mr. Vernau led the discussion on Resolution 25-15 and suggested that the Supervisors allow the staff time to research this submission, noting that it could have an impact on the Township's grant submission.

Discussion on Survey Results for July 2026 Fireworks Display

Rachelle Scott led the discussion on the results of the survey, noting that the Township received a total of 455 responses. She asked the Supervisors to extend the deadline until mid-November.

Mr. McCormack encouraged residents to participate in the survey, as he would like to have fireworks at the 250th celebration.

Eric Kessler, 6041 Running Pump Lane, commented on the fireworks display and suggested that the food trucks be eliminated from the event.

Joe Lindsey, 6244 Overview Lane, commented on the survey and stressed the importance of public safety.

Dr. Charles Stuart, 1440 Karen Drive, commented on the fireworks display, and stressed that public safety is more important than a tradition.

William Miller, 4311 Crestview Lane, commented on the fireworks display and suggested that information on the survey be included with the sewer bills.

Ms. Kurtz noted that the Lower Paxton Community Foundation hosts an independent celebration every year, suggesting that the Township coordinate with them on their celebration.

Announcements

Ms. Thompson announced that Senator Patty Kim opened a new office at 716 Colonial Road. The district office hours are Monday, Friday, Monday through Friday, 8:30 to 4:30.

Adjournment

Mrs. Vecchio made motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Njeim seconded the motion. Ms. Kurtz called for a voice vote, and the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shellie Smith,
Recording Secretary

Approved by,

Robin Lindsey,
Secretary