July 13, 2026, Meeting Minutes- held at the Mahoning Township Building, 849 Bloom Road, Danville, PA, at 5:30pm

Members of the Board present: Chairman John Whelan, Vice-Chairman Bill Lynn, Supervisor's Glen Cromley, Andy Lysiak, Kyle Yeager, Zoning Officers Dean VonBlohn & Jim Dragano, Solicitor Jon DeWald, Treasurer Ken Houck, Secretary Carolyn Dragano, Engineer Drew Barton, Police Sgt Matt Gerst

Also present: Rita Roberts, Kathy Gaughenbaugh, Jaime Pegg, Rebecca Dressler, Linda Rea

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The meeting started with the group saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Whelan asked for any public comment related to the agenda items. No Comment.

Police Sergeant Matt Gerst spoke on behalf of Chief Fred Dyroff:

Sgt. Gerst briefly discussed complaints they received concerning motorized scooters in the township and explained the laws, requirements & regulations.

Resident Kathy Gaughenbaugh expressed concerns about kids on motorized scooters on Red Lane. Resident Jamie Pegg expressed concerns about the direction kids are traveling while riding motorized scooters.

Sgt. Gerst talked about the re-accreditation for the police dept, and the training officers participated in this month.

Treasurer Ken Houck gave his June report:

Supervisor Cromley motioned to approve the June Treasurers report. Supervisor Yeager seconded. Motion passed.

Ken briefly discussed the Streetlight Fund and explained that once those funds are depleted, the General Fund will be used to cover the costs.

Engineer Drew Barton had nothing to report

Solicitor Jonathan DeWald had nothing to report

Zoning Officer Dean VonBlohn:

Dean said Matthew Blue is interested in serving on the Planning Commission. He will come to the next meeting to meet the supervisors.

DSI Lead Lloyd Craig gave his report and discussed:

Lloyd discussed the road closure due to a tree that fell and said the power was out for a long time.

Lloyd said they started to widen the road on Red Lane East.

Lloyd said they are still working on the Salt Shed.

Fire Chief Rick Spotts was not available.

Unfinished business:
Supervisor Whelan discussed a proposed lease agreement with Danville Borough regarding the installation of cameras on top of the traffic signals. Solicitor DeWald will prepare a lease agreement between Mahoning Township and Danville Borough for the Board's review and possible action at the next meeting.

Resident Linda Rea asked whether the agreement covered the costs of electricity and calibration for the traffic signal. Supervisor Whelan explained that the Borough has incurred additional expenses associated with the traffic signal, including electricity and maintenance. He added that the agreement would provide funds that the Borough could use at their discretion to help offset those costs.

A lengthy discussion was held with Commissioner Rebecca Dressler concerning Zoning Services and how other municipalities can help the smaller townships that have been using the county to help with zoning. Commissioner Dressler does not want to leave other municipalities vulnerable. She asked If the supervisors would put their thoughts into a letter for the county commissioners. Supervisor Whelan will take care of this.

Chairman's Report on Executive Sessions Held Prior to Meeting:
Chairman Whelan said they had no executive meetings since the last meeting.

New Business:
Supervisor Whelan discussed working with DCDC on the Bridge loan for $42,500 (that was approved at the last meeting) until they can secure further funding and said the offer is still on the table, just working through some of the details. He also noted that Geisinger has committed $30,000 toward the project.

Supervisor Whelan said that Amber Neidig is interested in the Volunteer EMA Coordinator position. **Supervisor Lynn motioned to approve Amber Neidig to start the process for the EMA Coordinator, contingent upon training. Supervisor Yeager seconded. Motion passed.**

Supervisor Whelan reported that Danville Borough has requested that the Township reissue its letter of support, like the one approved last year, to assist with the completion of the Church Street project. The project involves improvements to Church Street from Sechler Run to Route 11. The board agreed.

Supervisor Lynn motioned to approve the Supervisors Meeting Minutes for May and June. Supervisor Lysiak seconded. Motion passed.

Reminders:
Supervisor Whelan reminded residents that Yard waste pickup takes place on the third Tuesday of each month through September.

Public comment not related to new business:
Resident Jamie Pegg expressed concerns about a prospective buyer interested in purchasing a home near hers and opening a doggy daycare there.

Supervisor Cromley motioned to pay the bills. Supervisor Yeager seconded. Motion passed.

Supervisor Lynn motioned to adjourn. Supervisor Cromley seconded. Motion passed.

This meeting was recorded. These minutes reflect the events and dialog during the meeting but are not transcribed verbatim. All Reports are available at the Township Building

Carolyn Dragano, Secretary