September 14, 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, Solicitor Jon DeWald, Treasurer Ken Houck Secretary Carolyn Dragano, DSI Lead Lloyd Craig, Police Chief Fred Dyroff, Zoning Officers Dean VonBlohn & Jim Dragano, Fire Chief Rick Spotts, Engineer Drew Barton

Also present: Rick Dandes from Daily Item, Pat Diehl, Brian Diehl, Drew Mumich from Press Enterprise, Linda Rea, Kathy Gaughenbaugh, Mike Benjamin, Susan Fluck, Robert Gatski, Jack Gerst, Rita Roberts, Chris Breum, Bonnie Martin, Franny Geller, Paul Dennehy, Jim Smith, Tom Kessler, Ginny Mazzei, Paola Aring, Karen Furman, Nancy Davies, Rick Davies, Dave Martin, Sean Versluis, Mike Fedorowicz, Claire Lawrence, Carol Kronenwetter, Chris Kronenwetter, Jan Engstrom, Steve Emminger, Andrew Matragano

ALL VOTING WILL BE CONSIDERED UNANIMOUS UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

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

Chairman Whelan asked for any public comment related to the agenda items.

Resident Chris Breum expressed concerns about the bush blocking view of Bloom Road & changing Villa Street one way. Supervisor Whelan said at this point we have no plans of changing Villa Street to one way, and DSI Lead Lloyd Craig will look into the bush that is blocking the site view.

Police Chief Fred Dyroff gave his report and discussed:

From Unfinished Business, Chief Dyroff read over the results of the Villa Street traffic study. He said no vehicles were driving 26 miles per hour or over; most were traveling between 6 & 10 miles per hour. He said they could monitor Westbound as well, but it will most likely be the same.

Chief Dyroff asked the board to approve a 2027 vehicle (Co-stars approved) with a 10,000 trade in allowance. He would like to place the order now and then pay next year and said the purchase would come from the 2027 police budget. The new car will be a Ford Explorer Interceptor.

Supervisor Lysiak motioned to have the chief move forward with the purchase of the vehicle for $56,100.58. Supervisor Lynn seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer Ken Houck gave his August report.

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

Supervisor Whelan briefly discussed the CD that is maturing soon. He said the $80,000 it will generate in interest will go to the East End Fire Company. He thanked residents for their continued backing of the fire company and noted that fire taxes have not been raised in over 20 years, making community donations and local support essential to the department's ongoing operations, especially when they will soon need a new fire truck.

Engineer Drew Barton discussed:
Engineer Barton asked for a time extension for the DCDC playground project, extending the date to October 31st. **Supervisor Lynn motioned to approve the extension to October 31st. Supervisor Lysiak seconded. Motion passed.**

Engineer Barton asked the board to approve the Kuharchik payment application for Bloom Road and Academy Ave for $294,372.76. **Supervisor Lynn motioned to approve the payment application for $294,372.76. Supervisor Cromley seconded. Moton passed**.

Solicitor Jonathan DeWald:
From Unfinished Business, Solicitor DeWald discussed the updated Amended Prohibited Parking Ordinance from Euclid Ave to Academy Ave, due to the widening of roads. **Supervisor Lynn motioned to approve Ordinance 2026-0914 restricting parking from Euclid Ave to Academy Ave. Supervisor Yeager seconded. Motion passed.**

Zoning Office – Dean VonBlohn & Jim Dragano
Jim discussed the Fee Schedule changes he and Dean would like to make due to costs of engineering plans that are coming in that need to be reviewed by our engineer.
Concept Plan Application:
- **Fee:** No charge (remains the same)
- **Escrow:** Changes to **$750**

Minor Subdivision Application:
- **Fee:** $500 (remains the same)
- **Escrow:** Changes to **$1,000**

Solicitor DeWald will update the resolution for the next meeting's approval.

DSI Lead Lloyd Craig gave his report and discussed:
Lloyd said he went out for (3) line painting quotes, however, after almost 4 weeks, only received one back. **Supervisor Cromley motioned to approve D. E. Gemmill to do the work, for $11,972.00. Supervisor Yeager seconded. Motion passed.**

Lloyd discussed the electrical drawings for the salt shed that were supplied and resubmitted to BIU for review and approval. He said they are hung up on the foundation.

Fire Chief Rick Spotts gave his report
Chief Spotts said they finished painting & New Doors on the Fire Station with lettering.

Resident Linda Rea expressed concerns about the door on the Social Hall that needs painted. Fire Chief Spotts said he will talk to the Board of Trustees at the East End.

Unfinished business below and above.
Dean briefly discussed complaint at the lay down area on South Ardmoor Ave. and said the pile of dirt was on the lot when purchased. The road area is a shared driveway. He said Contractor Crawford sent in a letter for his intended use that said he will take things back to their original state, when he is done with Mahoning projects. Resident Brian Diehl expressed concerns about how muddy the road is. Dean said he should contact Veolia concerning this matter.

Supervisor Whelan read over the Wawa traffic agreement explaining that this is an agreement with Danville to pay $200 per year to allow us to have cameras on their lights. **Supervisor Lynn motioned to approve the Wawa Traffic Agreement between Mahoning and Danville Boro for $200 per year. Supervisor Yeager seconded. Motion passed.**

Chairman's Report on Executive Sessions Held Prior to Meeting:
Chairman Whelan said they had one executive meetings since the last meeting which was on Sept 10th for personnel issues.

New Business:
Supervisor Whelan briefly discussed the Secretary/Treasurer position and said they are proceeding with the position.

Supervisor Lynn motioned to approve the Supervisors August meeting minutes. Supervisor Yeager seconded. Motion passed.

Supervisor Whelan said that Leaf Pickup will begin on Tuesday, October 20th, 2026, and to visit our website at www.mahoningtownship.org for details.

Reminders:
Supervisor Whelan reminded residents that the last Yard waste pickup is tomorrow, Tuesday, September15th.

Supervisor Yeager discussed the possibility of changing the Yard Waste pickup next year to add more pickup.

Public comment not related to new business:
Chief Dyroff read a letter about how his team and the ICE team work together. He provided clarifications of the rules working with ICE and said it's our responsibility to protect the people. It is important to make clear that MTPD is not a federal immigration agency, nor are our officers attempting to assume that role. Immigration enforcement is a federal responsibility. When federal authorities are conducting an operation in our area, we believe it is appropriate, and in the best interest of public safety, to maintain a professional working relationship and coordinate when necessary.

Resident Tom Kessler expressed concerns about the (3) way stop sign issues at the Meadows. We have a 3 way stop sign and he'd like to make it a 4 way stop sign. Supervisor Whelan said the main issue is snow and ice. It would also involve an ordinance change. Engineer Barton said a traffic engineering study would need to be done to warrant the stop sign.

Resident Mike Fedorowicz expressed concerns about loud noise and bad language coming from his neighbors and said it's out of control. Police Chief Fred Dyroff said he will look into this and said they could be cited for disorderly conduct.

Residents Dr. Claire Lawrence, Jan Engstrom, Susan Fluck, Kris Kronenwetter, Carol Kronenwetter, Mike Benjamin, Steve Emminger, Bonnie Martin, Franny Geller, Nancy Davies, Andrew Matragano & Jim Smith expressed concerns about Mahoning Twp. Police & local police involvement with ICE. They would like the board to rescind our agreement and no longer support the activity with ICE.

Non-resident Jack Gerst said he is happy to have the police involved with ICE.

Supervisors Whelan, Lynn, Cromley & Lysiak and Police Chief Dyroff and Officer Garon Fenstermaker addressed the ICE situation and said that all the police officers wear body cams, so everything is recorded. Supervisor Whelan said they will look into the Act 287(g) Agreement concerning the opt out and will get back with an answer at the next meeting.

Chief Dyroff suggested the residents take these issues up with their Federal Law Makers.

Supervisor Cromley said he really appreciates that people come to express their opinions.

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

Supervisor Cromley motioned to adjourn. Supervisor Lynn 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