

Conewago Township Board of Supervisors

490 Copenhaffer Rd; York, PA 17404

April 7, 2026

-Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance:

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors was held at 490 Copenhaffer Rd. York, PA 17404. The meeting was called to order by the Chairperson Wilhide at 6:00 pm. Those in attendance were Lorreta Wilhide (Chairperson), Brian Klinger (Supervisor), John MacDonald (Supervisor), Derek Rinaldo (Engineer), Steve McDonald (Solicitor), Lieutenant Neidigh (NYCRPD), Bethany Inman (Zoning Officer), Erin Dell (Secretary/Treasurer), and Bonita Kiser (Administrative Assistant).

Announcement by Chairperson Wilhide that an executive session was held prior to meeting.

-Public Requests:

Mark Chronister: 1440 Bremer Rd. - Mr. Chronister raised concern over his issue with junk cars on a neighboring property. The township had previously addressed the issue to the extent possible. Per township ordinance, a property owner may have one junk vehicle on their property. Mr. Chronister raised concern that there is leaking oil from vehicles. It was recommended that Mr. Chronister may reach out to The York Conservation District with further concern as they can gain more access to the site. Mr. Chronister also asked about progress of changing the ordinance regarding junk vehicles on property.

Jessica Paulus: 10 Cemetery Rd. - Ms. Paulus raises concerns over the amount truck traffic passing her home. Ms. Paulus noted accidents and property damage caused by the trucks. Ms. Paulus placed a temporary barricade to prevent the trucks from turning down Big Conewago Ave. Signage was changed and Ms. Paulus noted that truck traffic had decreased while that signage was up. Discussion was had to pursue signage that is outside the permitted signs with arrows directing and different languages. For solar signage to be placed permanently to direct trucks, a permitting process would need to be gone through and would need the support of PennDOT. It was advised that a start would be to reach out to PennDot Representatives and State Representatives for support. Engineer Rinaldo stated that this would be on the township to get the process started. Ms. Paulus stated that she also deals with a neighboring auto shop travelling at high rates of speed down the road. Big Conewago Avenue is being travelled by the owner of MOC at high rates of speed making it unsafe for her children to play. Ms. Paulus asked for the safety concern to be addressed.

Mary Ann Albright: 775 Green Springs Rd. - Ms. Albright spoke in relation to the RTK response she received regarding CGA lawyer Brett Flower and who Solicitor Flower represents with respect to the township. The verbiage in the RTK concerned Ms. Albright. Ms. Albright and Ms. Cherie Rippetoe met with Mr. Edward Ritter, Representative of the 47th District, for a further conversation of the RTK. Concern was raised over Elysian's CEO, Martin Glass, who was also the CEO of Rite Aide. Ms. Albright presents the concern that this CEO had been charged with fraud. *Please see attached

Edward Ritter: Mr. Ritter is a Representative of the 47th District. Mr. Ritter is not a township resident, and states that he resides in Springettsbury Township. Mr. Ritter further commented on the RTK provided to Ms. Albright regarding potential data centers. Details were also provided about noise, water usage, parking spaces needed, oxygen levels, and the electric usage of data centers.

Melissa Meador: 1995 Jug Rd. - Ms. Meador had to leave the meeting before getting to speak. She will reach out via email with her comments. The sign in sheet states that she is seeking information. Any information received from Ms. Meador will be attached to the April minutes.

Cherie Rippetoe: 495 Hykes Mill Rd. – Ms. Rippetoe stated that she had been trying to reach Chairperson Wilhide and was upset that she could not. Chairperson Wilhide stated that she would call her April 8, 2026, after Ms. Rippetoe’s working hours to speak further.

Jamie Lagana: 535 E Butter Rd. - Mr. Lagana stated that he has started a petition to raise the number of board members from three to five. Mr. Lagana stated that he would be available after the meeting for anyone wanting to sign the petition, and that he could be reached on Facebook or call. This would not change Conewago Township from 2nd Class to a 1st Class township.

Jennifer Campbell: 1480 Conewago Creek Rd. - Ms. Campbell spoke regarding the low bid for asphalt from York Materials. Ms. Campbell raised concern over the use of 76 oil on backroads as it is meant for roads being travelled at 65 mph or higher. Ms. Campbell suggested the use of 56 oil. Engineer Derek Rinaldo stated 56 oil is the better product and a change order will be initiated. Ms. Campbell raised a second concern regarding a potential data center on Bowers Bridge Rd. Concern was raised about the potential health risks caused by such potential development.

Kelly Kundratic: 445 Bowers Bridge Rd. - Ms. Kundratic is located on the property adjacent to the site of a potential data center. Ms. Kundratic stated that she was commenting from her personal perspective only. Concern was raised about protecting agricultural land and the strain data centers create on shared resources. Ms. Kundratic shared that she would like to see the community’s best interest, consistency, and public trust maintained. *Please see attached.

-Approval of Agenda: Motion by Supervisor MacDonald, second by Supervisor Klinger, unanimously carried to approve the agenda. Vote: 3-0

-Approval of Previous Minutes: Approval of the March minutes is tabled until next meeting. There is more information to be added regarding the zoning hearing.

-Planning & Zoning:

-Ordinance #374 – Rezoning Ordinance has been corrected. It had previously been numbered #373 but has been corrected to #374.

-Bright Eye Solar development has granted an extension until October 26, 2026. No further action is needed by the Board currently.

-Carvana has granted an extension until September 26, 2026. No further action is needed by the Board currently. General discussion was had regarding truck traffic in this area.

-Zoning Officer Bethany Inman presented information on the one room schoolhouses within the township and their current repurposes.

-The current owner of the Bowers Bridge schoolhouse stated that the schoolhouse still contains blackboards.

-Discussion was brought to attention relocating and rehabbing of the Smith Schoolhouse. The relocation was recommended by Zoning Officer Inman to be placed in a township park where it could be further used for educational purposes by the school.

-Reports:

-Motion by Supervisor Klinger, second by MacDonald, unanimously carried to approve the March Building report and the March Police Report. Vote: 3-0

-Treasurer's Report:

-Chairperson Wilhide asked for a Moment of Silence for Officer Straub who passed away from pancreatic cancer. Chairperson Wilhide highlighted various aspects of his career and years of service.

-Motion by Supervisor MacDonald, second by Supervisor Klinger, unanimously carried to approve the March Treasurer's report. Vote 3-0

-Manager/Road Report: - Low bidders for the Road Bids 2026 were presented.

-MS-963 -Stone: York Building Products low bid of \$122,820.00. Motion by Supervisor Klinger, second by Supervisor MacDonald, unanimously carried. Vote 3-0.

-MS-963 -Paving Materials: York Materials Group, LLC low bid \$711,160.00. Motion by Supervisor MacDonald, second by Supervisor Klinger, unanimously carried. Vote 3-0

-MS-944 -Geofabric Reinforced Seal Coat with Fog Seal: Martin Paving low bid \$210,270.00. Motion by Supervisor Klinger, second by Supervisor MacDonald, unanimously carried. Vote 3-0.

-MS-944 -Paving Placement: Kinsley Construction low bid of \$241,000.00. Motion by Supervisor MacDonald, second by Supervisor Klinger, unanimously carried. Vote 3-0.

-MS-944 – Line Painting: D.E. Gemmill, Inc. low bid of \$53,041.00. Motion by Supervisor Klinger, second by Supervisor MacDonald, unanimously carried. Vote 3-0.

- Engineer Rinaldo stated that he will be placing a change order for the material and a price adjustment for the paving material used. The township would like to have 56 oil used in place of the originally bid 76 oil. General discussion was had amongst meeting attendees regarding the upcoming road projects.

-Solicitors Report:

-Approval of Resolutions 2026-09, 2026-10 and 2026-11 regarding the Canal Betterment Project. Motion made by Supervisor Klinger, second by Supervisor MacDonald, unanimously carried. Vote 3-0.

- Solicitor McDonald spoke regarding the change to the ordinance number and the approval of the two new resolutions for the Canal Betterment Project. Agreement presented where developers would pay money owed to the utilities. Developers would like us to sign regarding the utilities. Solicitor McDonald recommends that the township have the developers take care of the cost as well as include the other townships involved.

-Engineers Report: - No changes to report.

-Unfinished/New/Other Business:

- Chairperson Wilhide asked that the announcement of the Secretary/Treasurer position be added to the agenda. Motion by Supervisor MacDonald, second by Supervisor Klinger, unanimously carried. Vote 3-0.

-Motion made by Supervisor MacDonald to accept Erin Dell as Secretary/Treasurer. Second by Supervisor Klinger, unanimously carried. Vote 3-0. This will also be on next month's agenda.

-Administrative Assistant, Bonita Kiser provided information on flag drop off. Residents were encouraged to drop off tattered American Flags for proper recycling. Receptacles will be provided at the township building and Food Truck Fridays for collection. Collection available during normal township business hours. Flags will be recycled properly by local VFW. Jennifer Kemper asked for information on how the flags would be properly disposed of. Administrative Assistant Kiser answered Ms. Kemper's question.

- Supervisor MacDonald spoke to the planning of a townhall meeting regarding transparency around data centers and Rexroth Farm. State representatives and utility companies may be present to share information regarding data centers from a state level. This will likely be held at the high school and will be open to the public. Announcements regarding this will be placed on the website and Savvy Citizen. A date has not been set – the township is still waiting on state representative schedules before finalizing and advertising.

Adjournment: Chairperson Wilhide adjourned the meeting at 7:54 PM

Respectfully submitted,



Erin Dell
Secretary/Treasurer