



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING AGENDA**

**January 5, 2026
6:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER: The Muddy Creek Township Board of Supervisors Organizational Meeting was called to order by Mr. Saunders at 6:05 pm.

ROLL CALL: Those present included Mr. Dale Kerr, Mr. Rick Saunders, Mr. Dale Hall, and Mrs. Abbie Flinner.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The pledge of allegiance was recited. Mr. Saunders asked anyone present to acknowledge recording devices. There was none.

CHAIRPERSON: Motion by Mr. Saunders to nominate Mr. Kerr as Board of Supervisors Chair for 2026, second Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Kerr assumed Chair of the meeting.

VICE-CHAIRPERSON: Motion by Mr. Kerr to nominate Mr. Saunders as Vice Chair for 2026, second Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

SECRETARY/TREASURER/PERMIT ISSUANCE OFFICER/OPEN RECORDS OFFICER:

Motion by Mr. Kerr to appoint Mrs. Abbie Flinner as Secretary/Treasurer, Permit Issuance Officer, second Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOCAL TAX RATES FOR 2026 RESOLUTION 2026-01: A motion was made by Mr. Saunders to adopt Resolution 2026-01. Second by Mr. Kerr. All in favor. Motion carried.

WAGE AND SALARY RESOLUTION 2026-02: Motion by Mr. Saunders to adopt Resolution 2026-02. Second by Mr. Kerr. All in favor. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S BOND: Motion by Mr. Kerr establishing the bond amount at \$700,000.00 for the year 2026, second by Mr. Saunders. All in favor. Motion carried. An additional motion was made by Mr. Kerr to establish an additional \$700,000.00 bond for the Assistant Treasurer. This motion was seconded by Mr. Saunders. All in favor. Motion carried.

ROADMASTER: Motion by Mr. Saunders to appoint Chairman, Dale Kerr, as Roadmaster. Second by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

VACANCY BOARD: Motion by Mr. Kerr to appoint Mr. Jay Wack to the vacancy board. Second by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

DEPOSITORY: Motion by Mr. Saunders selecting First National Bank for the Township's General Fund, Master Escrow, Highway Aid, Fire Tax, Capital Reserve Fund, and Act 13 Capital Reserve Fund. Second by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

2026 MEETING LOCATION, TIME, & DATES: Motion by Mr. Saunders setting the Board of Supervisors' 2026 Meeting Schedule as follows: Meetings will be held at 420 Stanford Road. Meetings will be held at 7:00 pm. Meetings will take place on the third Wednesday of every month. Second by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

NEWSPAPER PUBLICATIONS: Motion by Mr. Saunders designating The Butler Eagle for the publication of the Township's legal notices, second by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

PLANNING APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENTS: Motion by Mr. Saunders to re-appoint Ms. Cindy Hinkle to the Planning Commission for another four-year term, ending December 31, 2029. Seconded by Mr. Hall. All in favor, motion carried. An additional motion was made by Mr. Saunders to appoint Ms. Kris Callen to the Planning Commission for a four-year term, ending December 31, 2029. Mr. Hall seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried. An additional motion was made by Mr. Saunders to appoint Mr. Robert Obusek for a one-year term as first alternate for the Muddy Creek Township Planning Commission. This was seconded by Hall. All in favor, motion carried. Another motion was made by Mr. Saunders to appoint Mr. Joe Baker for a one-year term as second alternate for the Muddy Creek Township Planning Commission. This was seconded by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

TOWNSHIP AUDITORS: Motion by Mr. Saunders to appoint Mr. Derek Flinner as township auditor for a one-year term, ending December 31, 2026. Seconded by Mr. Hall. All in favor, motion carried. An additional motion was made by Mr. Saunders to appoint Mr. Ronald Flinner as township auditor for a one-year term, ending December 31, 2026.

STATE CONVENTION DELEGATE: Motion certifying Mr. Kerr as delegate to the 2026 PSATS State Convention made by Mr. Saunders and seconded by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

STATE CONVENTION VOTING DELEGATE: Motion certifying Mr. Kerr as the Township's voting delegate to the 2026 PSATS State Convention made by Mr. Saunders and seconded by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

2026 MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT: Motion by Mr. Saunders setting rate by IRS (currently: .725/mile), second Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

2026 FEE SCHEDULE RESOLUTION 2026-03: Motion by Mr. Saunders to adopt Resolution 2026-03 setting the Township's 2026 Fee Schedule, second by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

PENSION ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER: Motion by Mr. Saunders to appoint the Secretary/Treasurer as Administrative Officer for the Pension Fund. Second by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR PAUC ACCOUNT: Motion by Mr. Saunders to appoint the Secretary/Treasurer as PAUC account administrative officer. Second by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

ASSISTANT TO THE SECRETARY/TREASURER: Motion to appoint Marnie Chuba as Assistant to the Secretary/Treasurer made by Mr. Saunders. Seconded by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER: Motion to appoint Mr. Doug Duncan as Sewage Enforcement Officer made by Mr. Saunders. Seconded by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

ALTERNATE SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER: Motion by Mr. Saunders to appoint Collin Fantasky as Alternate Sewage Enforcement Officer. Second by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

BUILDING CODE ENFORCEMENT AGENCY: Motion by Mr. Saunders to adopt Resolution 2026-04 appointing Professional Code Services as the Building Code Official and Inspection Agency. Second Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

SOLICITOR: Motion by Mr. Saunders to appoint Mr. Thomas L. Smith, second by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

ENGINEER: Motion by Mr. Saunders to appoint the firm of Gannett Fleming as the engineer, second by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

ALTERNATE ENGINEER: Motion by Mr. Saunders to appoint the firm of LSSE Civil Engineers and Surveyors as the alternate engineer, second by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS FOR THE YEAR 2026: Motion made by Mr. Saunders to adopt Resolution #2026-05, appointing the firm of Turnley, Robertson, & Associates, LLC to perform the 2025 Annual Audit at a cost not to exceed \$5,550.00. Second by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFER TAX COLLECTOR: Motion by Mr. Saunders reappointing Butler County Recorder of Deeds, second by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTOR: Motion by Mr. Saunders reappointing Butler County Tax Claim as the collector of Delinquent Real Estate Tax. Seconded by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

DEPUTY REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTOR: Motion made by Mr. Saunders and seconded by Mr. Hall to appoint Helen Steiger as Deputy Real Estate Tax Collector for 2026. All in favor. Motion carried.

LST/DELINQUENT EIT: Motion by Mr. Saunders to appoint Berkheimer Tax Administrator to collect the Current and Delinquent Local Services Tax and the delinquent Earned Income Tax. Second by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

EMERGENCY SERVICES: Motion made by Mr. Saunders to appoint Portersville-Muddy Creek Township Volunteer Fire Department as the township's emergency service. Second by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried. An additional motion was made by Mr. Saunders appointing Portersville EMS as the township's Emergency Medical Service Provider. Second by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

EMA COORDINATOR: Motion by Mr. Saunders to appoint Mr. Vaughn Badger, second Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

PART-TIME STAFF HOLIDAY SCHEDULE: Motion made by Mr. Saunders to establish New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas as paid holidays for the part-time staff. Second by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Mr. Saunders at 6:19 pm to adjourn, second Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

MUDDY CREEK TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

Dale R. Kerr, Chair

Eric Saunders, Vice Chair

Dale A. Hall, Supervisor

ATTEST:

Abbie M. Flinner
Secretary/Treasurer

(SEAL)



**MUDDY CREEK TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
January 21, 2026
7:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER: The Muddy Creek Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mr. Kerr. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL: Those present included Mr. Dale Kerr, Mr. Rick Saunders, Mr. Dale Hall, Mr. Thomas Smith, and Mrs. Abbie Flinner.

NOTICE OF RECORDING POLICY: Mr. Kerr requested for anyone in the meeting to acknowledge the use of a recording device. No one acknowledged a recording device.

PUBLIC COMMENT/VISITORS:

Kirk Brethauer – Mr. Brethauer expressed his gratitude to the road department for their hard work, maintaining the roadways during recent inclement weather. He also expressed gratitude to the office staff for having meeting minutes posted to the website in a timely manner. Lastly, he and the board discussed the township's participation in Penn State's Energy Program, noting the rising cost of electricity.

Larry Coble – No Comment

Robert Dempsey – see Planning Commission

TREASURER'S REPORT:

A motion was made by Mr. Saunders to approve the Treasurer's report for December, 2025. Mr. Hall seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION (Invoices): Motion made by Mr. Saunders to pay the bills. (General Fund: 15166 - 15196; VOID:15122); Payroll (12/31/25, 01/15/26); Electric (Storage and Main – 01/13/26); Selective Insurance (01/07/26). Second by Mr. Hall. Motion carried.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Mr. Saunders and seconded by Mr. Hall to approve the minutes for the December 17, 2025 meeting. Motion carried.

Mr. Saunders made an additional motion to approve the January 5, 2026 Organizational Meeting minutes. This was seconded by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

PA Dept. of Labor & Industry – 5-year UCC Audit Report

Portersville EMS – Donation Request Letter

Armstrong – Cable Franchise Letter

COMMITTEE UPDATES:

EMERGENCY SERVICES: No report

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Sourwood Building Project/Dempsey Land Development Plan – Mr. Kerr made a motion to approve the Sourwood Building Project/Dempsey Land Development Plan. This was seconded by Mr. Saunders. All in favor. Motion carried.

Planning Commission Annual Report – Mr. Saunders made a motion to accept the 2025 Planning Commission Annual Report. This was seconded by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

ROAD DEPARTMENT REPORT:

2026-2027 COSTARS Salt Contract – Mr. Saunders made a motion to approve the signing of the 2026-2027 COSTARS Salt Contract, allowing for the purchase of an estimated 400 tons of salt for the 2026-2027 season. Mr. Hall seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

2026 Bid Approvals – Mr. Saunders made a motion to approve seeking bids for road projects, tree trimming, and aggregate for 2026. Mr. Hall seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Sawyer Road Safety Concern – Mr. Saunders made a motion to send a letter to homeowners, requiring them to repair their driveways. Mr. Hall seconded this motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

PERMITS:

Junkyard:

107 Hastings Lane - Hastings

435 Pfeifer Road – Noland

1161 Perry Hwy. – Hynes

OLD BUSINESS:

Happy Hooker Towing – Mr. Saunders made a motion to email Happy Hooker Towing, asking for confirmation of their intention to repair the damage done to Stanford Road. Mr. Hall seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

2025 Survey of Financial Condition – Mr. Saunders made a motion to approve the submission of the 2025 Survey of Financial Condition to DCED. Mr. Hall seconded this motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Ragan Agreement (Draft) – Mr. Saunders made a motion to approve the Temporary Mobile Home Agreement for Joseph and Sarah Ragan. Mr. Hall seconded this motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Saunders made an additional motion to send this agreement to the Ragans for execution. Mr. Hall seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Allen Agreement (Draft) – Mr. Saunders made a motion to approve the Temporary Utilization of an RV as a Dwelling Agreement for Debra and Jason Allen. Mr. Hall seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

An additional motion was made by Mr. Saunders to send this agreement to the Allens for execution. Mr. Hall seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

SOLICITOR’S COMMENTS: None

SECRETARY’S COMMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Mr. Saunders to adjourn at 7:59 PM. Seconded by Mr. Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

MUDDY CREEK TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

Dale R. Kerr, Chairman

Abbie M. Flinner, Secretary/Treasurer

Eric “Rick” Saunders

Dale A. Hall

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