

Barrett Township Supervisors
Minutes of Regular Meeting on April 9, 2025, at 5:30 P.M.

A regular meeting of the Barrett Township Supervisors was held on Wednesday April 9, 2025, at the Administrative Offices on Route 390 in Cresco, PA. The meeting was called to order at 5:30P.M. by Pam Gardsy.

Present: Pam Gardsy, Patti O’Keefe, Grover Cleveland, Darryl Speicher, Todd Weitzman, Nichole Irvin, and the public.

Absent: Kelly Slinger

There were no public comments on the agenda items.

Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular supervisors meeting from March 26, 2025. The motion was seconded by Darryl Speicher. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve the payment of the following bills. The motion was seconded by Patti O’Keefe. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

Bills from March 26, 2025	
- General: \$69,665.95	- Library: 5,381.77
- Parks & Rec: \$635.50	- Fire: \$138.68
- Open Space: \$845.50	- Ambulance: \$1,791.85

Bills from March April 2, 2025	
- General: \$15, 523.26	- Open Space: \$212.88
- Parks & Rec: \$657.50	- Fire: \$300.00

Reports:

The police report was read by Patti O’Keefe and made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Darryl Speicher. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

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| - Complaints: 63 | - Vehicle code warning: 8 |
| - Accidents: 5 | - Traffic arrest: 6 |
| - Criminal Arrests: 4 | - Ordinance arrest: 0 |

Pam Gardsy read the Monroe County Monthly Call Statistics on overdoses for March 2025 and made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Grover Cleveland. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

Overdoses for March: 2 / Year to Date: 4

Pam Gardsy read the Pocono Mountain Regional EMS Call Volume report for March 2025 and made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Grover Cleveland. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

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| - PMR EMS Barrett Twp calls: 58 | - PMR EMS service area calls: 579 |
| - PMR EMS Barrett Twp YTD calls: 158 | - PMR EMS service area YTD calls: 1,862 |

Old Business:

Todd Weitzmann, Barrett Township solicitor reviewed, for the public, the Zoning Map amendment for the property known as V&B Enterprises; 2518 Route 390. The amendment is to reassign one of the parcels to MU-

V (Mixed Use-Village). Pam Gardsy made a motion to adopt Ordinance #208 Amending the Barrett Township Zoning Map. The motion was seconded by Patti O'Keefe. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve the work required on the walk-in freezer and refrigerator in the kitchen at BARC which will be covered entirely by donated funds. The work is being performed by M&M Refrigeration. Invoice amounts are: \$7,426.55 and \$738.20. The motion was seconded by Grover Cleveland. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

It has been noted that the Zoning Hearing Board will be meeting on April 24, 2025, at 6:00PM and 6:30PM for the hearings of Jeffrey Hayes of 126 Wintergreen Lane, and Jason Delp of 372 Lake Road. Both hearings will take place to discuss zoning variances.

It has been noted that the Township has reviewed a fireworks permit application for Skytop to produce a display on May 17th at 10:00 P.M. Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve the fireworks display. The motion was seconded by Darryl Speicher. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

The new Barrett Township logo was selected from the submissions received. Patti O'Keefe made a motion to approve the new selection. The motion was seconded by Pam Gardsy. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

New Business:

Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve payroll for weeks ending April 1, 2025. The motion was seconded by Patti O'Keefe. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

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| - Gross wages: \$39,357.13 | - Feder Tax Liability: \$8,921.42 |
| - State Tax Liability: \$1,208.24 | - Net Wages: \$30,435.71 |

Pam Gardsy spoke about not advertising the revised sign ordinance due to the proposed revisions missing pertinent items. The discussion was tabled.

Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve Resolution #040925, donation of the Forest Fire Vehicle. The motion was seconded by Patti O'Keefe. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve the updating of 3 AEDs and 3 AED cabinets for the BARC building in the amount of \$3,900.00. The total of which is covered by the Moyer Foundation. The motion was seconded by Patti O'Keefe. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

Pam Gardsy spoke about the Barrett Economic Development Corporation (BEDCO). It is a group whose goal is to help fight blighted properties in Barrett Township. More will be discussed at the April 16, 2025, Supervisors Workshop meeting.

Pam Gardsy spoke about the 2025 Barrett paving project. Jim Seese, Road Master, is reaching out to our PennDOT representative to develop bid documents to pave Pocono Plateau Rd. Sections of Spruce Cabin Rd., Bear Town Rd., Lake Rd., and Oak Lane will be completed by our Maintenance Dept.

Pam Gardsy spoke about the Text my Gov. local notification service for residents. A quote of \$5,000/yr. was offered to the Township for a 3-year contract with an initial \$2,000 set-up fee. The supervisors discussed the proposal and decided to table the contract while other options were investigated.

Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve the quoted invoice of \$2,200 for the Donor Tree which will recognize all those who have contributed to making the Barrett Administrative and Recreation Center possible. The motion was seconded by Darryl Speicher. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

Correspondence:

Pam Gardsy made a motion to ratify the signatures on the Land of George C. Peck subdivision plans. The motion was seconded by Darryl Speicher. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

Pam Gardsy spoke about the inspection report at Bestway by the Monroe County Conservation District. No violations were reported at this time.

Miscellaneous Business:

There will be a free dog training session at Gravel Rd. dog park on April 19, 2025, from 11 A.M. to 1 P.M.

A Certificate of Insurance was received from PT REPTILES.

Public Comment:

Grant Hilfiger: Expressed concerns about blighted properties and unregistered cars and campers in disrepair. Also expressed concern for trash and debris on multiple properties.

Jen Amantea: Expressed concern on a short-term rental property that neighbors her home. The claim was that there are campers being utilized overnight and on a full-time basis on the property of the short-term rental. An additional concern expressed was that the tenants of the short-term rental cause noise disturbances, and park cars all over the property including the grass. Allegedly, this has been happening for many months, and they are seeking resolutions.

Pam Gardsy made a motion to enter executive session at 6:10 P.M. Darryl Speicher seconded the motion. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

Pam Gardsy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 P.M. Darryl Speicher seconded the motion. All supervisors voted aye, and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Nichole Irvin

Zoning Officer/Recording Secretary