

**Freedom Township Board of Supervisors
Regular Meeting
July 15, 2026, at 7:00 PM**

Board of Supervisors

Matt Young, Chairperson
Brett Johnston, Vice-Chairperson
Paul Kellett

Township Officials

Zach Gulden, Manager

Members of the Public Present

Ed Buchheit, Mary Buchheit, David Frock, Michelle Frock, Tim Staub, Darrell Cornett, Jim Geleta, Carol Zegarski, and Keith Schultz.

Call to Order

Chair Young called the Board of Supervisor's Meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

Public Comment

None

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Kellett made a **MOTION** to approve the Minutes of June 17, 2026. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Chair Young. The motion carried unanimously (3-0).

Monthly Expenses

Mr. Kellett made a **MOTION** to approve the bills in the amount of \$27,875.28 from the General Fund, \$2,165.00 from the Fire Tax Fund, and \$698.85 from the Escrow Account. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Vice-Chair Johnston. The motion carried unanimously (3-0).

Manager & Road Reports

The Manager completed the following tasks in June:

- Misc. phone calls / emails / website updates.
- Submitted monthly solar meter reading.
- Monthly reconciliation of all bank accounts.
- Monthly & quarterly employment tax reports and payments.
- Multiple bank deposits.
- Monthly Board of Supervisor's meeting minutes.
- ASA committee meeting preparation, meeting, and completed minutes 6/4.

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- 1x zoning exemption letter.
- 2x zoning permits – garage and driveway.
- Created and mailed 48 ASA letters and mailed. Posted 5x properties.
- Received Mason Dixon Farm and Yingling plans for recording. Obtained signatures.
- Responded to complaint for 1273 Middle Creek Road.
- 2x right-to-know requests.

The Department of Public Works completed the following tasks in June:

- Road mowing, brush and weed trimming, trash pickup, and clearing of roads and berms after rain and windstorms.
- Trash and rock pick up along roadways.
- Mowing, trimming, and cleanup of Township lot.
- Ordered 50 tons of road salt which was delivered.
- Misc. maintenance and shop work.
- Return PA 1 calls.

Public Works Employee	Hours Worked
Mike Wenschhof	136
Steve Long	0

Mr. Kellett made a **MOTION** to approve the Road Report as submitted. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Vice-Chair Johnston. The motion carried unanimously (3-0).

EMS, Fire, & Police Reports

Mr. Gulden stated that Adams Regional EMS had 1 call in June to Freedom Township.

Mr. Geleta stated that the Greenmount Community Fire Department had 6 calls for the month of June. 2x building fires, 1x gas leak, 1 medical, and 2 wires. Of those calls, 2x were to Freedom Township, 2x to Gettysburg Borough, and 2x to Straban Township.

Chief of Police DeWitt presented June's police report. 8 calls for service, 17 traffic stops, 12 citations, 0 faulty equip / warn., and 1x community event. 30 hours were worked.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Other Business

None

Public Comment

Mr. & Mrs. Frock expressed concerns about code enforcement matters regarding their property and felt they were being treated unfairly.

Mr. Gulden stated he received a complaint on the property almost two years ago for the installation of an additional dwelling unit in their basement without zoning, building, and septic approvals. He has been working with Mr. Frock during this time, and the only thing that has been accomplished is the issuance of a septic permit within the past two months. Now he is refusing to obtain a building permit and implement the necessary septic improvements as outlined in the septic permit.

The Frocks admitted they remodeled their basement inclusive of a new bathroom, bedrooms, and kitchen, and stated their son and his family, who live in the basement, will be moving out by January 1st, and it is their intention on selling the property. Two of their bedrooms on the 1st floor are only used as storage/office space.

The Board ordered the Frocks to apply for a PA UCC building permit within 30 days for all improvements installed in the basement. The permit must be finalized / certificate of occupancy from PMCA must be issued within 90 days. They also stated that the property cannot be marketed as a 5-bedroom dwelling / two-unit dwelling unless they improve their current septic system with the necessary zoning and septic permit.

Mr. Gulden is to issue a zoning exemption letter for the basement improvements as long as the Frocks will not use it as a second dwelling / apartment.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chair Young made a **MOTION** to adjourn. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Mr. Kellett. Chair Young adjourned the meeting at 7:30 PM.