

**THE TOWNSHIP OF MAXATAWNY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
JANUARY 12, 2026**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chairman John Deplanque called the meeting to order at 6:30PM with the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present: Marcus Simonetti and Steve Wilson. Professionals present: Township Engineer, Jim McCarthy; Township Solicitor, Chris Muvdi; Code Enforcement Officer, Chris Paff; Township Office Assistant, Tricia Wessner

ANNOUNCEMENTS: The Board meet in executive session to discuss litigation from 6:00 to 6:30pm this evening

PUBLIC COMMENT: (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)-Public comment on agenda items will take place at the agenda item after discussion is completed by the Board

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

1. Motion to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2025 Board of Supervisors Meeting
 - a. Motion made by Simonetti and seconded by Wilson to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2025 Board of Supervisors meeting. Motion passed (3-0)
2. Motion to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2026 Board of Supervisors Reorganization Meeting
 - a. Motion made by Simonetti and seconded by Wilson to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2026 Board of Supervisors Reorganization meeting. Motion passed (3-0)

REPORTS:

1. State Police Report
 - a. The Police report was presented. There were 114 calls in December
2. Kutztown Library – nothing at this time
3. Volunteer Fire Department/Ambulance – nothing at this time
4. Historic Commission – Chairman Reynolds informed the Board that the Fairview Cemetery site visit has been completed with photos taken
5. Municipal Authority – nothing at this time
6. Roadcrew – Wessner presented the monthly report
 - a. Discussion on single axle truck purchase
 - Wessner reported that if the purchase of the used truck is approved, they would like that to be incorporated at a two year cycle instead of the normal four year cycle
 - Simonetti asked for a list of existing vehicles owned by the Township
 - b. Discussion on skid loader purchase
 - No discussion was held
7. Code Enforcement – Chris Paff
 - a. Paff presented his report
8. Secretary/Treasurer – Jerilyn Wehr – nothing at this time
9. Motion made by Simonetti and seconded by Wilson to approve the reports as presented. Motion passed (3-0).

PLANS TO REVIEW: nothing at this time

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Leck Waste Services – update on modification application with DEP
 - a. No one was in attendance from Leck. No discussion held
2. Request of waiver – Quarry Road Lot 31
 - a. Albert Staffieri was in attendance
 - b. Paff stated that the request for the deck now goes 6 feet into the 25 foot separation and does not include a roof. Paff also stated that the property owner has asked for an agreement regarding removal of the deck if any issues arise within that 25 foot set back and utilities
 - c. Motion made by Simonetti and seconded by Wilson to approve the waiver. Motion passed (3-0)
3. Discussion on Cherrington property
 - a. Solicitor Mudvi is still working with the Attorney of the estate to get the property cleaned up

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Special Event – Optimist Club Fools Day Run
 - a. Paff stated that the event is proposed to be held on March 28th from 8:30am until noon. PennDot approval is still needed
 - b. Motion made by Simonetti and seconded by Wilson to approve the waiver of fee for the event. Motion passed (3-0)
 - c. Motion made by Simonetti and seconded by Wilson to give conditional approval of the event due to the need for the PennDot permit. Motion passed (3-0)
2. Escrow release – Budget Self Storage
 - a. Motion by Simonetti and seconded by Wilson to approve the final escrow release. Motion passed (3-0)
3. Request of waiver for front facing solar panels – 16 Curtis Drive
 - a. Motion made by Simonetti and seconded by Wilson to give conditional approval of the requested waiver for front facing solar panels. Motion passed (3-0).
4. Zoning Hearing application review – ALDI Inc
 - a. Representatives of the project, Erich Schock and Matt Mazzella, presented the plan and updated the Board on the changes made to the proposed project and the variances that will be requested
 - b. There was discussion on the Sharadin Road access, sidewalks and parking
 - c. Resident Dave Sobotka stated that he thinks the changes are positive
 - d. Resident Garret Miller voiced concern over increased truck traffic, the condition of Kutztown road and sink holes
 - e. Resident Anne Franke asked about size and number of signs proposed
 - f. Motion made by Simonetti and seconded by Wilson to recommend approval of the requested variances for the project. Motion passed (3-0)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES:

1. Solicitor – Christopher Muvdi – nothing at this time
2. Engineer – Jim McCarthy
 - a. McCarthy's report was presented

- b. Keystone Hall as-builts have been received and reviewed

PUBLIC COMMENT (non-agenda items)

- 1. Resident Ann Franke asked if the Conditional Use Hearing for 23 Max LLC is still taking place on Wednesday

FINANCIAL MATTERS:

- 1. Motion was made by Simonetti and seconded by Wilson to approve the bills as presented. Motion passed (3-0).
- 2. Motion was made by Simonetti and seconded by Wilson to approve the Treasurer's Report and transfers as presented. Motion passed (3-0)

ADJOURN: Chairman Deplanque adjourned the meeting at 7:07PM

Respectfully submitted,

Jerilyn R. Wehr
Secretary/Treasurer