

**Newlin Township
Board of Supervisors
Meeting Minutes
September 14, 2026**

Call to Order: The Board of Supervisors' monthly meeting convened at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, September 14, 2026 at the Township Garage located at 1751 Embreeville Road. Present were Supervisors Jim Cornell (Chair), Bill Kelsall, Bob Pearson and Secretary/Treasurer Gail Abel.

Announcements: Mr. Cornell announced that the Township would have its first budget session at the Township Garage on Wednesday, September 23rd, immediately following the Planning Commission meeting.

Mr. Pearson called for a moment of silence to recognize the anniversary of 9/11. He then announced that the Township had just been awarded approximately \$200,000 to purchase a brand-new mow tractor pursuant to a Local Share Account ("LSA") grant that the Township had applied for in November 2024, and that he expected to take delivery of the new equipment within the next few days.

Comments: No comments.

Minutes for Approval: Ms. Abel presented the minutes of the August 10, 2026 Board Meeting. Mr. Pearson's motion to approve those minutes was seconded by Mr. Kelsall and unanimously approved.

Financial Report: Ms. Abel presented the monthly Financial Report: As of August 31, 2026 the Township had \$1,189,382.62 on deposit, including \$704,179.85 in general and unrestricted funds. Overall, this represented a net increase of \$35,419.71 since July 31, 2026. Mr. Kelsall's motion to accept the Financial Report was seconded by Mr. Pearson and unanimously approved. Mr. Pearson complimented Ms. Abel and Mr. Cornell for the time they spent researching and opening the new PLGIT accounts, which he noted were yielding a return of almost 4%.

Bill Payment Authorization: Ms. Abel presented a list of pending bills, invoices and other recurring/routine payments totaling \$218,979.74 from the General Fund, and requested payment authorization. She noted that \$204,144.08 of that amount was for the purchase of the mow tractor Mr. Pearson had mentioned (for which the Township will be reimbursed \$200,000 via the LSA grant). Mr. Kelsall's motion to approve the requested payments was seconded by Mr. Pearson and unanimously approved.

Resolution 2026-05-Adoption of Chester County Hazard Mitigation Plan 2026:

Mr. Cornell explained that every 5 years the Township must adopt a Hazard Mitigation Plan and submit it to "FEMA" (the Federal Emergency Management Agency) in order to be eligible for certain pre- and post-disaster Federal funding, and that the Township typically does this by

adopting the Hazard Mitigation Plan most recently enacted by Chester County's Department of Emergency Services. He noted that The County had recently finalized its 2026 Plan and had requested that Chester County municipalities adopt that Plan (via Resolution 2026-05) by September 30. He added that the Township would remain eligible for emergency assistance whether or not the Supervisors adopted the County's 2026 Plan. Mr. Kelsall's motion to adopt Resolution 2026-05 was seconded by Mr. Pearson and unanimously approved.

Snow Removal Advertisement approval for 2026-2027 Winter Season: Mr. Cornell advised that the Township needed to advertise for snow removal for the 2026-2027 season, with bids to be opened at the Supervisors' October meeting, and that Ms. Abel had provided the text of the ad. Mr. Pearson made small changes in the dump truck and pick-up truck specifications. Mr. Pearson's motion to approve the advertisement, as amended, was seconded by Mr. Kelsall and unanimously approved.

Roadmaster Update: Mr. Pearson advised that the paving project for Laurel Road was scheduled for the 29th and 30th of the month, and that he would try to have signs up to alert travelers. He explained that the project was being funded by a grant The Chester County Conservation District and that grant approval (just received) had been considerably delayed by the failure of the Pennsylvania legislature to timely pass a budget. He noted that since the Township had applied for the grant, fuel and asphalt costs had increased by 25%, and as a result, the grant might not cover all of the costs of the project.

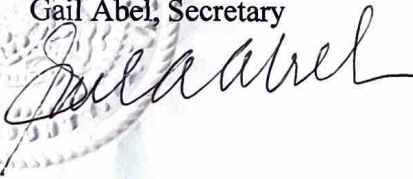
On a brighter note, he advised that road bank mowing had been completed.

Adjournment: Upon Mr. Kelsall's motion, seconded by Mr. Pearson, the meeting was adjourned.

Time: 7:42 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail Abel, Secretary

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Gail Abel", is written over a faint circular official seal. The seal contains text around its perimeter, including "TOWNSHIP OF CHESTER COUNTY" and "PA", but it is mostly illegible due to the signature and fading.