

Abbott Township

September 8, 2025 Meeting Minutes

The monthly meeting of the Abbott Township Board of Supervisors was held on Monday September 8, 2025 at 7:00pm at the township building.

1. Present at the meeting were: Jared Lazorchak, Beth Kreiser, Lee Gardner, Randy Culp, Sara Spohn, Karen Spohn, Ken (Sharky) Loiacono, Mary May, Levi Gardner, Brandy Gardner, Brian Bedjanic and Brian Shultz
2. Meeting was called to order by Chairman Jared Lazorchak at 7:01pm.
3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
4. Jared made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for the last meeting that was held on August 4, 2025. Lee seconded; AIF motion carried.
5. Jared made a motion to approve the financial reports for August 2025 as presented, second by Randy, AIF motion carried.
6. Jared made a motion to pay the bills. Lee seconded; AIF motion carried.

ROAD MASTER REPORT:

Lee reported that the DSA placement will start on Rausch Road this week and the road will be closed during this time. He is hoping it will be completed in the beginning of next week.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jared stated the Township has hired Krissy Gardner as part-time help as needed at an hourly rate of \$14.50. He also noted the Township increased Robin Beacker's hourly rate to \$19.00 to reflect his CDL driver status.

Jared made a motion to approve two permit requests from Erb Inspections. The first is a demolition permit to be issued to Duane and Gwen Cizek to remove a shed located at 32 Rausch Road. The second is a building permit issued to Bach Hollow LLC/Hyner Mountain LLC to install a new modular home on full basement located at Bach Hollow Road. Lee seconded the motion, AIF motion carried.

Jared made a motion to approve issuing an assessment permit to Lloyd Beere, Jr to build a 16x24 foot pole building on his lot located at 41 Bean Hill Road. Lee seconded the motion, AIF motion carried.

Jared noted fall clean-up is on Saturday October 4, 2025 at the West Branch Township Maintenance building. He asked that Abbott Township residents be prepared to show ID and provide their property address prior to dumping. Hours for the clean-up are 9am to 5pm.

Jared reminded everyone that Rausch Road will be closed for the next approximately 2 weeks for placement of DSA.

Jared made a motion to purchase a new Case 590 Super N backhoe from Warner Tractor and Equipment. Purchase price is \$128,645.00 which includes credit for trading in the current Township 580 Super M backhoe. Lee seconded the motion, AIF motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Jared stated that the Township is still reviewing the Short-Term Rental Ordinance from the County. He looked over it briefly and it seems to be comparable with what the Township had in their proposed ordinance. The one concern he

noticed with the County ordinance is the allowable occupancy for homes on the public sewer as the Township Sewage system can't support those extra numbers. He stated the Township will probably make minor changes to the Ordinance but that it seems pretty thorough.

Jared stated the FEMA paperwork is in process, and we are pretty much just waiting on funding and a few approvals for different projects.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

SEWAGE PERMITS:

Permit was issued to Lloyd Beere, Jr. for soil probes and perc tests located at 41 Bean Hill Road.

ROAD BONDS:

Ridge Road and Hueser Road – Patterson Lumber Company – 1/28/2025-1/28/2026
Rausch Road – Firth Maple Products 5/14/2025-5/14/2026

PUBLIC COMMENT (2 minutes Per Person)

Sharky stated he is working on getting the Township a grant for new radios installed in the trucks and equipment. The grant covers all telecommunication equipment, so if any other electronic equipment is needed, we can bundle it all up in the grant request.

Brian Shultz commented that DCNR stated they were not made aware of the Rausch Road closure that started today. The secretary left a message, but their phones have not been working properly, and the message was not received. Discussion on the ATV usage and possible future changes followed.

Brandy questioned if the Township could require any homes that would be on the public sewer connection to have additional holding tanks or to install their own private septic system. Jared stated we can't do that they are required to be on the Township sewer.

Jared made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:27pm. Lee seconded the motion, AIF motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Kreiser
Secretary
Abbott Township Board of Supervisors