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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

AGENDA

DECEMBER 11, 2024

Call to Order 7:30 p.m.

Presentation of Proclamation to Paul Peter Calderaio for Achieving the Rank of Eagle Scout

1. Public Comment (Maximum 30 minutes)
2. Board's Announcements:
 - The **Buckingham Township Administrative Offices will be closed** December 24th at noon, and all day on December 25th. The offices will also be closed on December 31st at 3:00 p.m., and all day on January 1, 2025.
 - The December 25, 2024 Board of Supervisor's meetings are cancelled.
 - The Annual **Board of Supervisors Reorganization and Regular Business Meeting and Work Session** will be held Monday, January 6, 2025 at a time to be determined.
 - The Annual **Board of Auditors Reorganization Meeting** will be held Tuesday, January 7, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.
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 - a. Consideration of approving Payment Request No. 4, to Derstine Company, LLC for work completed on the **Pump Station Generators and Upgrades, Phase 3, General Contract BT-23-01**, in the amount of \$126,000.00.
 - b. Consideration of approving Payroll dated November 21, 2024 and December 5, 2024 and the Bill List for the meeting of December 11, 2024.
4. Consideration of approving draft Supervisor's Minutes of the November 13, 2024 Work Session and November 13, 2024 Regular Business Meeting.
5. Consideration of accepting various Departmental Minutes and Advisory Body Minutes.
6. **8:00 p.m. PUBLIC HEARING:** Consideration of approving the application of David Paul Flack, d/b/a Bountiful Acres for conditional use approval pursuant to Buckingham Township Zoning Ordinance Sections 601 B., 3500, and 405(A10), to use properties owned by David Paul Flack located at 5074, 5056, and 5046 York Road and 5043 Anderson Road, Buckingham Township, Pennsylvania, being Bucks County Tax Map Parcel Nos. 06-014-019, 06-014-020, 06-014-021 and 06-014-099, for development of a Use A10 Accessory Farm Business, consisting of a revenue generating venture sympathetic to the principal agricultural or nursery use that is conducted on the property. This could consist of educational tours, seasonal festivals related to products grown on the farm, craft fairs, hayrides, and horse shows.

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7. **9:00 p.m. PUBLIC HEARING:** Consideration of approving the application for an intermunicipal transfer of a liquor license into Buckingham Township pursuant to Section 461(b.3) of the Liquor Code, 47 P.S. §4-461(b.3). The applicant is Barley Sheaf, Sweat, LLC. which is proposing to transfer a restaurant liquor license from License Pub I, Inc., formerly located at 1425-27 W. Broad Street, Quakertown, PA 18951 to property located at 5281 York Road, Holicong (Buckingham Township), PA 18928. All those who wish to be heard in regard to this request should be present.
8. Consideration of approving **Resolution No. 2633**, A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors, Buckingham Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania Approving the Transfer of Restaurant Liquor License No. R-19566 Into the Township of Buckingham.
9. Consideration of approving **Resolution No. 2627**, A Resolution of the Township of Buckingham, County of Bucks, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Fixing the Earned Income Tax Rate, Local Services Tax Rate, and the Realty Transfer Tax Rate for the Fiscal Year 2025.
10. Consideration of approving **Resolution No. 2628**, A Resolution of the Township of Buckingham, County of Bucks, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Fixing the Real Estate Tax Rate for the Fiscal Year 2025.
11. Consideration of approving **Resolution No. 2629**, A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of Buckingham Township, Bucks County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Authorizing the Establishment of Checking, Savings and Investment Accounts and Designating Various Institutions to Serve as Depositories for the Funds of the Township in 2025.
12. Consideration of approving **Resolution No. 2630**, A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors, Township of Buckingham, County of Bucks, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Township Secretary's Certification of the 2025 Budget Preparation & Publication.
13. Consideration of approving **Resolution No. 2631**, A Resolution of the Township of Buckingham in the County of Bucks, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; Appropriating Specific Sums Estimated to be Required for the Specific Purposes of the Municipal Government, Hereinafter Set Forth, During the Year 2025 and **Adopting the Annual Budget** Reflecting These Amounts.
14. Consideration of approving **Resolution No. 2632**, A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of Buckingham Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, for the Purpose of Amending the 2024 Budget.

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15. Consideration of approving **Resolution No. 2634**, A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of Buckingham Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania; (i) Confirming the Acceptance as Complete of the Public Improvements in or Serving the Land Development Known as Stoneymead; (ii) Accepting the Public Sanitary Sewage Collection System and the Deed of Dedication and Grant of Easements Thereof Dated February 9th, 2024 and Recorded with the Bucks County Recorder of Deeds on March 11, 2024 as Instrument No. 2024009406; (III) Confirming Acceptance of the Deed of Dedication of Wellsford Lane and the Ultimate Right of Way of Long Lane Dated February 9th, 2024 and Recorded with the Bucks County Recorder of Deeds on March 11th, 2024 as Instrument No. 2024009405; (IV) Confirming Acceptance of the Grant of Stormwater Easements Dated February 9th, 2024 and Recorded with the Bucks County Recorder of Deeds on March 1st, 2024 as Instrument No. 2024008133; and (V) Confirming Acceptance of the Grant of Conservation and Access Easements Dated February 9th, 2024 and Recorded with the Bucks County Recorder of Deeds on March 11th, 2024 as Instrument No. 2024009404; All in or Serving the Land Development Known as Stoneymead, Township File SA 98-05.

16. Consideration of agreeing to the Developer’s Request for an Extension of Time within which to complete the Improvements as set forth in the Stormwater Facility Development Contract between **Sugar Bottom Farms, L.L.C.** and Buckingham Township, TMP 6-17-61, to December 14, 2025.

17. Consideration of agreeing to the Developer’s Request for an Extension of time within which to complete the improvements as set forth in the Land Development Contract between **Buckingham Friends School Gymnasium and Science Building** and Buckingham Township, Township File LD 2022-01, to December 14, 2025.

18. Consideration of agreeing to the Developer’s Request for an Extension of time within which to complete the improvements as set forth in the Stormwater Facility Development Contract between **Edward J. Bussinger and Karen A. Bussinger** and Buckingham Township, TMP 6-69-21 (Lot 22 of the Stoneymead Subdivision, Township File SA 98-05), to December 23, 2025.

19. **ESCROW RELEASE:**

“Mill Creek Ridge (Smith-Pfeiffer)”, Township File SA 2001-05C	Well Protection Agreement Funds Escrow	\$31,500.00 to be released per agreement
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20. Additional Business / Manager's Items:

- Consideration of awarding the Fieldstone Water Interconnection Contract – General (BT-24-02) Bid to GS Developers of Doylestown, PA in the amount of \$1,746,170.00.
- Consideration of approving, until further Motion of this Board, the settlement of all tax assessment appeals as negotiated and approved by the Central Bucks School District and authorizing the Township Solicitor to execute assessment appeal stipulations as approved by the Central Bucks School District. Such stipulations presently pending are the appeals of Janice T. Carney for TMP 06-041-058 and Edwin and Ann M. Showan Slade for TMP 06-014-012-03.
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- Consideration of approving the 60 Month Contract between Buckingham Township Police Department and Axon Enterprise, Inc. in the amount of \$195,174.00.

Buckingham Township Board of Supervisors
Meeting Minutes

The regular meeting of the Buckingham Township Board of Supervisors was held Wednesday, December 11, 2024 in the Township Building, 4613 Hughesian Drive, Buckingham, Pennsylvania.

Present:	Paul Calderaio	Chairman
	Maggie Rash	Vice-Chairman
	Dana Cozza	Township Manager
	Daniel Gray	Township Engineer
	Craig Smith, Esquire	Township Solicitor
Not Present:	Jon Forest	Member
	Luke Rosanova	Bucks County Planning Commission
	Gary Weaver	Township Water/Wastewater Consultant

Mr. Calderaio called the regular meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Presentation of Proclamation to Paul Peter Calderaio for Achieving the Rank of Eagle Scout

The Board of Supervisors proudly presented a proclamation to Paul Calderaio on behalf of his son, Paul Peter Calderaio, for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Activity.

BOARD'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Calderaio read the following announcements:

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- The December 25th Board of Supervisor Work Sessions and Regular Business Meetings have been cancelled. The annual Reorganization Meeting (including a Regular Business Meeting) will be held on January 6, 2025 at a time to be determined.
- The Annual **Board of Auditors Reorganization Meeting** will be held Tuesday, January 7, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

PAYMENT REQUEST, PAYROLL and BILL LIST

Consideration of approving Payment Request No. 4, to Derstine Company, LLC for work completed on the Pump Station Generators and Upgrades, Phase 3, General Contract BT-23-01, in the amount of \$126,000.00.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to approve Payment Request No. 4, to Derstine Company, LLC for work completed on the Pump Station Generators and Upgrades, Phase 3, General Contract BT-23-01, in the amount of \$126,000.00.

Mr. Calderaio stated the money for this project comes from the income received from the customers of the wastewater system, not from the township's general fund or tax revenues.

The motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of approving Payroll dated November 21, 2024 and December 5, 2024 and the Bill List for the meeting of December 11, 2024.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to approve Payroll dated November 21, 2024 and December 5, 2024 and the Bill List for the meeting of December 11, 2024 in the total amount of \$987,681.04. The motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES

Consideration of approving the draft Supervisor's Minutes of the November 13, 2024 Work Session and November 13, 2024 Regular Business Meeting.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to approve, as most recently presented, the draft Supervisor's Minutes of the November 13, 2024 Regular Business Meeting.

Mr. Calderaio explained that the November 13, 2024 Work Session was executive session from 6:00pm to 7:30pm to discuss the ongoing Froehlich, Lykon and McCardle litigation, the Feeney Zoning Hearing Board application and potential agricultural preservation purchases, so there were no minutes for consideration of approval.

The motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of accepting for inclusion in the Township records various Departmental Minutes and Advisory Body Minutes.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to accept for inclusion in the Township records the various Departmental Minutes and Advisory Body Minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS

Consideration of approving Resolution No. 2627, A Resolution of the Township of Buckingham, County of Bucks, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Fixing the Earned Income Tax Rate, Local Services Tax Rate, and the Realty Transfer Tax Rate for the Fiscal Year 2025.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to approve Resolution No. 2627, A Resolution of the Township of Buckingham, County of Bucks, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Fixing the Earned Income Tax Rate, Local Services Tax Rate, and the Realty Transfer Tax Rate for the Fiscal Year 2025. The motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of approving Resolution No. 2628, A Resolution of the Township of Buckingham, County of Bucks, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Fixing the Real Estate Tax Rate for the Fiscal Year 2025.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to approve Resolution No. 2628, A Resolution of the Township of Buckingham, County of Bucks, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Fixing the Real Estate Tax Rate for the Fiscal Year 2025.

Mrs. Cozza noted the real estate tax rate had a slight increase to provide more millage for our three volunteer fire companies. Mrs. Rash explained that following several meetings with the fire companies the Board agreed to provide them with more money to help cover the cost of fire equipment. She said several townships in Bucks County have career firemen now, both part and fulltime, which is far more expensive to the taxpayers than a volunteer force. While Buckingham's fire companies are still volunteer, we want to support that so we do not need to need to move into a paid fireman model to remain fully staffed in the future.

The motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of approving Resolution No. 2629, A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of Buckingham Township, Bucks County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Authorizing the Establishment of Checking, Savings and Investment Accounts and Designating Various Institutions to Serve as Depositories for the Funds of the Township in 2025.

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Mr. Calderaio explained that the 2025 budget continues to have no general fund tax and thanked the staff for preparing the fiscally responsible budget and keeping our township financially secure and maintaining a AAA bond rating.

The motion carried unanimously.

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8:00 p.m. Mr. Calderaio opened the public hearing. A court reporter was present to record the public hearing.

8:54 p.m. Mr. Calderaio paused the public hearing and the supervisors retired to the conference room to deliberate.

9:04 p.m. Mr. Calderaio resumed the public hearing.

Mrs. Rash made a motion, seconded by Mr. Calderaio to approve the application of David Paul Flack, d/b/a Bountiful Acres for conditional use approval pursuant to Buckingham Township Zoning Ordinance Sections 601 B., 3500, and 405(A10), to use properties owned by David Paul Flack located at 5074, 5056, and 5046 York Road and 5043 Anderson Road, Buckingham

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9:05 p.m. Mr. Calderaio opened the public hearing. A court reporter was present to record the public hearing.

9:21 p.m. Mr. Calderaio closed the public hearing.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to approve the application for an intermunicipal transfer of a liquor license into Buckingham Township pursuant to Section 461(b.3) of the Liquor Code, 47 P.S. §4-461(b.3). The applicant is Barley Sheaf, Sweat, LLC. which is proposing to transfer a restaurant liquor license from License Pub I, Inc., formerly located at 1425-27 W. Broad Street, Quakertown, PA 18951 to property located at 5281 York Road, Holicong (Buckingham Township), PA 18928. The motion carried unanimously.

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Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to approve Resolution No. 2634, A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of Buckingham Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania: (i) Confirming the Acceptance as Complete of the Public Improvements in or Serving the Land Development Known as Stoneymead; (ii) Accepting the Public Sanitary Sewage Collection System and the Deed of Dedication and Grant of Easements Thereof Dated February 9th, 2024 and Recorded with the Bucks County Recorder of Deeds on March 11, 2024 as Instrument No. 2024009406; (III) Confirming Acceptance of the Deed of Dedication of Wellsford Lane and the Ultimate Right of Way of Long Lane Dated February 9th, 2024 and Recorded with the Bucks County Recorder of Deeds on March 11th, 2024 as Instrument No. 2024009405; (IV) Confirming Acceptance of the Grant of Stormwater Easements Dated February 9th, 2024 and Recorded with the Bucks County Recorder of Deeds on March 1st, 2024 as Instrument No. 2024008133; and (V) Confirming Acceptance of the Grant of Conservation and Access Easements Dated February 9th, 2024 and Recorded with the Bucks County Recorder of Deeds on March 11th, 2024 as Instrument No. 2024009404; All in or Serving the Land Development Known as Stoneymead, Township File SA 98-05.

Mrs. Rash commented that the Stoneymead subdivision was first proposed in 1998, and it is wonderful to reach dedication and have the project completed.

The motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of agreeing to the Developer's Request for an Extension of Time within which to complete the Improvements to December 14, 2025 as set forth in the Stormwater Facility Development Contract between Sugar Bottom Farms, L.L.C. and Buckingham Township, TMP 6-17-61.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to agree to the Developer's Request for an Extension of Time within which to complete the Improvements to December 14, 2025 as set forth in the Stormwater Facility Development Contract between Sugar Bottom Farms, L.L.C. and Buckingham Township, TMP 6-17-61. The motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of agreeing to the Developer's Request for an Extension of time within which to complete the Improvements to December 14, 2025 as set forth in the Land Development Contract between Buckingham Friends School Gymnasium and Science Building and Buckingham Township, Township File LD 2022-01.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to agree to the Developer's Request for an Extension of Time within which to complete the Improvements to December 14, 2025 as set forth in

the Land Development Contract between Buckingham Friends School Gymnasium and Science Building and Buckingham Township, Township File LD 2022-01.

Mrs. Rash commented that this project was submitted in 2022 and two months ago she attended the grand opening of the new gymnasium and saw the totally new science center building. She said that by following the township process, this project is nearing completion without a problem. Mr. Gray confirmed they have been very easy to work with, that they are doing work on the arts building now and should be finished up in 2025.

The motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of agreeing to the Developer’s Request for an Extension of time within which to complete the improvements to December 23, 2025 as set forth in the Stormwater Facility Development Contract between Edward J. Bussinger and Karen A. Bussinger and Buckingham Township, TMP 6-69-21 (Lot 22 of the Stoneymead Subdivision, Township File SA 98-05).

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to agree to the Developer’s Request for an Extension of Time within which to complete the Improvements to December 14, 2025 as set forth in the Stormwater Facility Development Contract between Edward J. Bussinger and Karen A. Bussinger and Buckingham Township, TMP 6-69-21 (Lot 22 of the Stoneymead Subdivision, Township File SA 98-05).

Mr. Gray explained this is the second to last lot in Stoneymead to be developed, with the other one under construction. He said that site distance issues need to be resolved, and the matter should be completed and closed out very soon. Mr. Bussinger was present and expressed his disappointment that an extension was required, and his final escrow release would not happen until the site distance and tree issue was resolved. He saw no reason why the two were connected. Mr. Smith advised that an easement is required for the area that Mr. Bussinger planted trees in the Township owned Right-of-Way, and that Mr. Bussinger’s attorney had provided the draft easement earlier today. However it cannot be added to the agenda per legalities with updating the agenda within 24 hours of the meeting. Mr. Smith said the matter will be scheduled on the Board of Supervisor’s January 6th meeting agenda for conclusion.

The motion carried unanimously.

Escrow Releases:

Consideration of approving release of the Well Protection Agreement Funds Escrow held for “Mill Creek Ridge (Smith-Pfeiffer)”, Township File SA 2001-05C, in the amount of \$31,500.00.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to approve release of the Well Protection Agreement Funds Escrow held for “Mill Creek Ridge (Smith-Pfeiffer)”, Township File SA 2001-05C, in the amount of \$31,500.00. The motion carried unanimously.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS / MANAGER'S ITEMS

Consideration of awarding the Fieldstone Water Interconnection Contract – General (BT-24-02) Bid to GS Developers of Doylestown, PA in the amount of \$1,746,170.00.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to award the Fieldstone Water Interconnection Contract – General (BT-24-02) Bid to GS Developers of Doylestown, PA in the amount of \$1,746,170.00.

Mrs. Cozza announced the township received an American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Grant covering most of the amount of this contract, and now that the contract has been awarded the grant will be submitted.

The motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of approving, until further Motion of this Board, the settlement of all tax assessment appeals as negotiated and approved by the Central Bucks School District and authorizing the Township Solicitor to execute assessment appeal stipulations as approved by the Central Bucks School District. Such stipulations presently pending are the appeals of Janice T. Carney for TMP 06-041-058 and Edwin and Ann M. Showan Slade for TMP 06-014-012-03.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to approve, until further Motion of this Board, the settlement of all tax assessment appeals as negotiated and approved by the Central Bucks School District and authorizing the Township Solicitor to execute assessment appeal stipulations as approved by the Central Bucks School District. Such stipulations presently pending are the appeals of Janice T. Carney for TMP 06-041-058 and Edwin and Ann M. Showan Slade for TMP 06-014-012-03.

Mr. Smith explained that this concerns residents who appeal the Bucks County tax assessment on their property. With the Township's proportion of the real estate tax being so low, the township has deferred to the Central Bucks School District and Bucks County to negotiate these appeals with the township signing off on the stipulations. Mr. Smith said that approval of this motion will grant him the authority to sign off on the stipulations without bringing each individual appeal before the Board of Supervisors.

The motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of approving the 60 Month Contract between Buckingham Township Police Department and Axon Enterprise, Inc. in the amount of \$259,743.60.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to approve the 60 Month Contract between the Buckingham Township Police Department and Axon Enterprise, Inc. in the amount of \$259,743.60.

Mrs. Cozza explained this contract was discussed during budget planning meetings, and is for new body cameras and replacement of tasers. She said the township has applied for and is expecting a \$100,000.00 grant to be awarded towards the body camera and taser contract.

The motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of approving the 60 Month Contract between the Buckingham Township Police Department and Axon Enterprise, Inc. in the amount of \$195,174.00.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to approve the 60 Month Contract between Buckingham Township Police Department and Axon Enterprise, Inc. in the amount of \$195,174.00.

Mrs. Cozza explained this contract was also discussed during budget planning meetings, and is for replacement of car cameras and "Cradlepoint", which affords Wi-Fi within the police vehicle.

The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Calderaio wished everyone a great holiday and Christmas, and hoped that everyone stayed safe. He said this is the last meeting before the townships 325th birthday year, which will be celebrated in 2025. Mrs. Rash said Happy Holidays to all, and wished everyone a Happy New Year as well.

Mr. Calderaio made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rash, to adjourn the meeting at 9:56 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Approved by the Board of Supervisors on the 6th day of January, 2025.

Buckingham Township Board of Supervisors

Maggie Rash, Chairman

Jon Forest, Vice-Chairman

Paul Calderaio, Member

Attest:

Dana S. Cozza, Township Secretary

Minutes respectfully submitted by Lori Wicen.