

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES  
MARCH 12, 2026**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Romnie Long called the Washington Township Board of Supervisors Workshop Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., at the Washington Township Municipal Building. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

The following members were present: Supervisors, Romnie Long, Thomas Powanda, Matthew McCluskey, Township Manager/Secretary, Susan Brown, Assistant Secretary, Lisa Boyer, Solicitor, Joan London. There were ten (10) members of the public in attendance.

**TAPING OF THE MEETING**

Township Assistant Secretary, Lisa Boyer was taping tonight's meeting in preparation for the minutes. Two members of the public, Bill Piersol, Weinsteiger Rd. and Tara Christman, Old Route 100 were also taping tonight's meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Bill Piersol commented that he is trying to improve the current recycling program. He stated that currently cardboard is being sent to another Township to recycle and he would like to see the Township do it.

Daniel Stauffer commented that he attends most recycling events and feels having a recycling program in the Township is worthwhile for the residents even if there is a cost involved as most services for the residents cost money.

**APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 18, 2025**

**A motion was made by Romnie Long and seconded by Thomas Powanda to approve the meeting minutes of December 18, 2025 as prepared.**

**Romnie Long – aye**

**Thomas Powanda – aye**

**Matthew McCluskey - abstained**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

**SUPERVISORS UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**SUPERVISORS NEW BUSINESS**

CWI Holding Zoning hearing 03/25/26

The applicants have requested a zoning hearing scheduled for 03/25/26 at 6 p.m. requesting a variance to build a commercial pole barn for indoor storage on their property located at 1827 County Line Rd. Barto, PA 19504.

**A motion was made by Thomas Powanda and seconded by Romnie Long to send a letter to the zoning board opposing the variance regarding impermissibly expanding nonconforming use.**

**All ayes**

Stellfox Zoning Hearing scheduled for 03/30/26

The applicant has requested a zoning hearing scheduled for 03/30/26 at 6 p.m. seeking a variance to install an inground swimming pool with accessory structures on their property located at 26 Christi Drive Barto, PA 19504. The board does not take a stand on supporting or opposing the variance.

Intermunicipal Transfer of Liquor License

Attorney John Rodgers representing the owner of Barto Gas, LLC located at 1325 Route 100 presented his request for a Liquor License to sell Beer and Malt Beverages “to go” inside the convenience store at this location. A public hearing was initially scheduled for 3/26/26 at 7 p.m. but will be rescheduled for a later date at the request of Attorney Rodgers due to a scheduling conflict. A letter has been mailed to adjacent property owners informing them of the request. Resident Bill Piersol commented that the parking lot exit onto Barto Road is dangerous and should be addressed. Supervisor Powanda agreed that people do not always obey the traffic sign for no left turn into the lot from Barto Road.

**A motion was made by Romnie Long and seconded by Thomas Powanda to authorize ratifying the advertisement of the hearing date.**

**All ayes**

Monkey Knife Fight Charity bike ride April 11, 2026

**A motion was made by Thomas Powanda and seconded by Matthew McCluskey to approve the use of Township roads for the charity bicycle ride again this year. The riders will travel on Groff Rd, Heydts Schoolhouse Rd. Hill Church Rd./SR2032 and Locust Rd. for the event.**

**All ayes**

Proceeds from the charity ride benefit Dream Come True of the Lehigh Valley. The organization provides hope, joy and a chance to dream for children who are seriously, chronically or terminally ill in the Greater Lehigh Valley area.

Authorization to purchase Front-End Loader

**A motion was made by Romnie Long and seconded by Matthew McCluskey to authorize the purchase of a 2026 John Deere 344 P-Tier Compact Wheel Loader from Little’s for a cost of \$194,996.08.**

**Romnie Long -aye**



**ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion was made by Thomas Powanda and seconded by Matthew McCluskey to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:18 p.m.**

**All ayes**

Respectfully submitted,

Susan J. Brown,  
Township Manager/Secretary