

**SOLEBURY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
November 18, 2025 – 6:00 P.M.  
**Solebury Township Hall/Virtual - Hybrid Meeting**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

Attendance: Mark Baum Baicker, Chair, Kevin Morrissey, John S. Francis, Christy Cheever, Rickie Yudin, Christopher Garges, Township Manager, Michele Blood, Assistant Township Manager, and Catherine Cataldi, Township Secretary. Mark L. Freed, Township Solicitor was also in attendance.

The recording device was turned on.

**I. The meeting was called to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**II. Approval of Bills Payable – November 13, 2025**

**Res. 2025-168 – Upon a motion by Mr. Francis, seconded by Mr. Morrissey, the list of Bills Payable dated November 13, 2025 was unanimously approved as prepared and posted.**

**III. Approval of Meeting Minutes – November 6, 2025**

**Res. 2025-169 – Upon a motion by Mr. Francis, seconded by Ms. Cheever, the Minutes of the November 6, 2025 meeting were unanimously approved and posted.**

**IV. Announcements/Resignations/Appointments**

Appointment of Vice-Chair

Mr. Baum Baicker nominated Kevin Morrissey as Vice-Chairman.

**Res. 2025-170 – Upon a motion by Mr. Baum Baicker, seconded by Mr. Yudin, it was unanimously agreed to appoint Kevin Morrissey as Vice Chairman for term ending December 31, 2025.**

**V. Supervisor Comment**

- Mr. Francis reported on the Regional Pennsylvania Environmental Advisory Council meeting.

**VI. Old Business**

Municipal Complex Solar Panels – Authorization to Execute Contract with Exact Solar and Discussion of Financing Options

The solicitor reviewed the draft Exact Solar contract and suggested revisions have been made by Exact. Township staff will offer financing options to for the Board to consider which include:

1. Purchase as budgeted in 2025 using cash on hand.
2. Finance the entire initial cost of +/- five hundred sixty thousand dollars (\$560,000).
3. Finance the net amount of approximately three hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$350,000) for five (5) years and pay the down payment of approximately two hundred ten thousand dollars (\$210,000) out of cash on hand.

Lorraine Doan, resident, inquired about the monthly electric cost for the Township and origin for the solar array. Ms. Doan expressed opposition for the municipal complex solar array project.

Ms. Doan expressed gratitude to Christopher Clewell, Public Works Director for trimming vegetation along the roadway which improved visibility when exiting her driveway.

Ms. Doan expressed dissatisfaction with Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) and questioned the Township's authority to require PennDOT to fulfil obligations to Township residents.

**Res. 2025-171 – Upon a motion by Mr. Francis, seconded by Mr. Morrissey, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Township Manager to proceed with entering into a contract with ExactSolar subject to any last minute comments by Board members with financing as per option number three (3) (Finance the net amount of approximately three hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$350,000) for five (5) years and pay the down payment of approximately two hundred ten thousand dollars (\$210,000) out of cash on hand).**

## **VII. New Business**

### Resolution Designating Christopher Garges and Michele Blood as officials to execute all Statewide Local Share Assessment Grant Documents and Agreements for the Public Works Caterpillar (CAT) 120JOY Motor Grader Grant Application

The resolution grants authority to Christopher Garges and Michele Blood to execute documents associated with the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED)/ Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA) Statewide Local Share Assessment Grant to be used for the "Public Works Caterpillar (CAT) 120JOY Motor Grader".

**Res. 2025-172 – Upon a motion by Mr. Baum Baicker, seconded by Mr. Francis, it was unanimously agreed to adopt the Resolution granting authority to Christopher Garges and Michele Blood for execution of all documents and agreements between the Solebury Township and the Commonwealth Financing Authority associated with the Local Share Assessment Grant for the Public Works Caterpillar (CAT) 120JOY Motor Grader.**

### Resolution Designating Christopher Garges and Michele Blood as officials to execute all Statewide Local Share Assessment Grant Documents and Agreements for the Bond House Grant Application

The resolution grants authority to Christopher Garges and Michele Blood to execute documents associated with the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED)/ Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA) Statewide Local Share Assessment Grant to be used for the "Bond House".

**Res. 2025-173 – Upon a motion by Mr. Morrissey, seconded by Ms. Cheever, it was unanimously agreed to adopt the Resolution granting authority to Christopher Garges and Michele Blood for execution of all documents and agreements between the Solebury Township and the Commonwealth Financing Authority associated with the Local Share Assessment Grant for the Bond House.**

### Resolution Designating Christopher Garges and Michele Blood as officials to execute all Statewide Local Share Assessment Grant Documents and Agreements for the UTV with Firefighting Capabilities Grant Application

The resolution grants authority to Christopher Garges and Michele Blood to execute documents associated with the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED)/ Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA) Statewide Local Share Assessment Grant to be used for the "UTV with Firefighting Capabilities".

**Res. 2025-174 – Upon a motion by Mr. Francis, seconded by Ms. Cheever, it was unanimously agreed to adopt the Resolution granting authority to Christopher Garges and Michele Blood for execution of**

**all documents and agreements between the Solebury Township and the Commonwealth Financing Authority associated with the Local Share Assessment Grant for the UTV with Firefighting Capabilities.**

Authorization to Execute the Agreement with Bucks County Public Safety Dive Team

The Release and Indemnification Agreement, between the County of Bucks and Solebury Township, allows the County of Bucks to use the water filled quarry pit at 6970 Phillips Mill Road, New Hope (Solebury Township), PA 18935 as a location for training its Public Safety Dive Team but only pursuant to the terms and conditions therein.

**Res. 2025-175 – Upon a motion by Mr. Baum Baicker, seconded by Mr. Morrissey, it was unanimously agreed to authorize Christopher Garges, Township Manager to execute the Release and Indemnification Agreement with Bucks County Public Safety Dive Team.**

Authorization to Execute the Lactation/Wellness Room Policy

The proposed policy outlines the purpose, eligible use, access and scheduling, privacy and respect, prohibited activities, cleanliness, maintenance, safety and health of the Lactation/Wellness Room.

**Res. 2025-176 – Upon a motion by Mr. Francis, seconded by Mr. Baum Baicker, it was unanimously agreed to execute the Lactation/Wellness Room Policy.**

Authorization to Approve the 2026 Board of Supervisors Meeting Dates

The Board of Supervisors meetings are held on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 6:00 pm, unless otherwise noted. There is only one meeting held the third Tuesday in the months of June, July, and August. There is only one meeting held the second Tuesday in the month of December. The Reorganization meeting and the first meetings for February, March, and April will be held at 9:30 am.

**Res. 2025-177 – Upon a motion by Mr. Baum Baicker, seconded by Mr. Morrissey, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Board of Supervisors meeting dates for 2026 as follows:**

**Board of Supervisors (Held on Tuesday unless otherwise noted)**

**January 5 @ 9:30 AM – Reorganization (First Monday)**

**January 5 – Immediately Following the Reorganization**

**January 8 @ 9:30 AM – Work Session – Establish Priorities (Second Thursday)**

**January 20 @ 6 PM**

**February 3 @ 9:30 AM**

**February 17 @ 6 PM**

**March 3 @ 9:30 AM**

**March 17 @ 6 PM**

**April 7 @ 9:30 AM**

**April 21 @ 6 PM**

**May 5 @ 9:30 AM**

**May 21 @ 6 PM (Thurs due to Election Day)**

**June 16 @ 6 PM**

**July 21 @ 6 PM**

**August 18 @ 6 PM**

**September 1 @ 6 PM – Budget Session**

**September 15 @ 6 PM**

**October 6 @ 6 PM – Budget Session**

**October 20 @ 6 PM**

**November 5 @ 6 PM – Budget Session (Thurs due to Election Day)**

**November 17 @ 6 PM**

**December 8 @ 6 PM – Budget Session (2nd Tuesday of the month)**

**VIII. Public Comment**

- Mark Worth, resident, commented on an ongoing conflict with a neighboring property. Mr. Worth questioned the Townships enforcement of a Zoning violation. Mr. Freed gave an overview of the ongoing conflict, the Township’s investigation into the conflict and the status.

**IX. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Catherine Cataldi, Secretary