

**MINUTES
PARADISE TOWNSHIP
ORGANIZATION MEETING
JANUARY 6, 2025 at 10:00 am**

CALL TO ORDER BY TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN by temporary Chairman Evan Gabel at 10:02

APPROVE AGENDA WITH ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS...Clark Craumer moved to approve the Organization Meeting Agenda as printed, 2nd by Dean Bentzel, Approved by Unanimous Vote

APPOINT CHAIRMAN: Clark Craumer nominated Lance Biesecker as Board of Supervisors Chairman, 2nd by Dean Bentzel, Approved by 2-0 Vote

APPOINT VICE-CHAIR: Lance Biesecker nominated Clark Craumer as Board of Supervisors Vice-Chairman, 2nd by Dean Bentzel, Approved by 2-0 Vote.

APPROVE APPOINTMENTS:

Roadmaster	Dean L. Bentzel
Secretary	Elwood A. Miller
Treasurer	Elwood A. Miller

Lance Biesecker moved to approve the above appointments, 2nd by Clark Craumer, Approved by Unanimous Vote

Joint Inter-Municipal Zoning & Codes Enforcement Officer
Neal Doyle

Lance Biesecker moved to approve Neal Doyle as Zoning and Codes Officer, 2nd by Clark Craumer, Approved by Unanimous Vote

Planning Commission: 4 year term	No Vacancy	
Chairman	Kevin Barnes	expires end of 28
Secretary	Korry Beard	reappoint till 2028
Member	Brent Auchey	expires end of 27
Member	Matt Osborne	expires end of 26
Member	Mark Bentzel	expires end of 27

Lance Biesecker moved to approve Korry Beard to a four year term ending in 2028, 2nd by Clark Craumer, Approved by Unanimous Vote

Alternate Bob Nivens

Zoning Hearing Board: 3 year term No Vacancy
Chairman Akshay Vidiyarthi expires end of 25
Member Denton Grim expires end of 26
Member Brett Bishard expires end of 27
Alternate

Auditor/Elected: 6 year term No Vacancy
Auditor Eric Zeigler elected 23, exp 29
Auditor Raymond Grudi elected 19, exp 25
Auditor Brad Boyer elected 21, exp 27
The auditors will review and authorize Supervisor compensation and Treasurer Bond.

Certified Public Accountant – Adopt Resolution 2025-01 appointing Smith Elliot Kearns and Company, LLC (SEK) as Independent Auditor...
Clark Craumer moved to adopt Resolution 2025-0, 2nd by Dean Bentzel, Adopted by Unanimous Vote

NYCRP Representative Clark P. Craumer
NYCRP Representative Dean Bentzel (alternate)

Lance Biesecker moved to approve the NYCRPD Reps as printed, 2nd by Clark Craumer, Approved by Unanimous Vote

Emergency Management Director – Neal Doyle

Emergency Management Deputy – Lance Biesecker, Bob Nivens

Lance Biesecker moved to approve the above EM appointments as printed, 2nd by Clark Craumer, Approved by Unanimous Vote

Abbottstown/Paradise Joint Sewer Authority: 5 year term

Member Raymond Grudi expires end of 27
Member Robert Grim expires end of 28
Member Jim Capetta reappoint till 2029

Lance Biesecker moved to approve the Jim Capetta appointment to the APJSA, 2nd by Clark Craumer, Approved by Unanimous Vote

Fire Marshall/Chief Kerry Lease reappoint

Lance Biesecker moved to approve the appointment of Kerry Lease as Fire Chief, 2nd by Clark Craumer, Approved by Unanimous Vote

Skilled Road/CDL

Full Time Road/CDL

Road CDL licensed Partime

Supervisors (working partime for Township)

Zoning Hearing Board Members

Planning Commission - Chairman

Planning Commission Member - Secretary

Planning Commission Voting Member

Vehicle Mileage Rate Authorized Persons

Clark Craumer moved to approve the Compensation for the Township Positions indicated, 2nd by Dean Bentzel, Approved by Unanimous Vote

APPROVAL OF WORK SCHEDULES:

Road Foreman and full time worker 40 hours per week

additional overtime as required 3 hour minimum emergency call

Assistant Road Forman 32 hours per week

Secretary/Treasurer 32 hours per week

Building and Codes Officer

Part time road worker hours as required

Clark Craumer moved to approve work schedules as indicated, 2nd by Dean Bentzel, Approved by Unanimous Vote

APPROVAL OF SERVICES:

Township Depository TRUIST Bank and PLGIT

Health Insurance Blue Cross Health Plan

Pension Plan Kampstra (MG Trust)

Life Insurance PSATS Trustees Insurance

Clark Craumer moved to approve service providers as indicated, 2nd by Dean Bentzel, Approved by Unanimous Vote

APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S BOND upon approval of Elected Board of Auditors

Clark Craumer moved to forward recommendation of a \$2 Million Bond to the Board of Auditors for approval, 2nd by Dean Bentzel, Recommendation approved by Unanimous Vote

Employee Benefits are included in the Paradise Township Employee Handbook... Clark Craumer moved to approve employee benefits as outlined the the Paradise Township Employee Handbook, 2nd by Dean Bentzel, Approved by Unanimous Vote

Supervisors, Road Foreman and Treasurer are permitted to make purchases up to \$1000.00 without prior Board approval
The Treasurer is permitted to pay bills in advance to avoid penalties
Clark Craumer moved to approve the indicated spending limits without BOS approval, 2nd by Dean Bentzel, Approved by Unanimous Vote

APPROVAL OF 2025 MEETING DATES: Supervisors Meetings will be held on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. and staff meetings prior at 6:30 p.m. Paradise Planning Commission will meet on the 4th Monday of each month at 7:00 pm unless otherwise noted.
Clark Craumer moved to approve the BOS and PTPC meeting schedules as indicated, 2nd by Dean Bentzel, Approved by Unanimous Vote

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: There was a brief discussion of fees associated with the 4590 Holtzschwamm Road waiver request pertaining to Agricultural construction plans. No action was taken.

Supervisor's Meetings 2025

7:00 PM

January 13, 2025

February 10, 2025

March 10, 2025

April 14, 2025

May 12, 2025

June 9, 2025

July 14, 2025

August 11, 2025

September 8, 2025

October 13, 2025

November 10, 2025

December 8, 2025

Planning Commission Meetings 2025

7:00 PM

January 27, 2025

February 24, 2025

March 24, 2025

April 28, 2025

May 19, 2025 changed because of Memorial day Holiday

June 23, 2025

July 28, 2025

August 25, 2025

September 22, 2025

October 27, 2025

November 24, 2025

December 22, 2025

Clark Craumer moved to adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Dean Bentzel, approved by Unanimous Vote

Meeting Adjourned at 10:28 am.

Approved at the January 13, 2025 BOS meeting

Elwood Miller

Secretary
Paradise Township

