

**HICKORY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
April 6, 2026**

The regular monthly meeting of the Hickory Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice Chairman, Michael E. Hall.

- Supervisors Present: Michael E. Hall
Randy Brown
- Staff Present: Jason Medure, Esquire - Solicitor
Lisa Schlemmer - Secretary/Treasurer
- Other Attendees: Hunter Beachem Tom Houston

Supervisor Hall made a motion to accept the March regular meeting minutes without correction. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Brown. All in favor. Motion carried.

The March Treasurer’s Report was read. Supervisor Brown made the motion to accept the Treasurer’s report and pay all regular bills, incoming bills and payroll. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

Building Permits:

| Applicant | Address | Proposed Improvement |
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| JB Select, LLC | 2851 Eastbrook Volant Road | addition to commercial maintenance building |
| Todd Boyer (Mission Barn, LLC) | 437 Boyer Lane | Wood handicap ramp |

Public Comments: Hunter Beachem offered a report on Hickory Twp. VFD activities. There have been 65 calls this year with 26 coming in April. They expect to take delivery of a new 2025 Ford F-750 truck this month. The new truck features a 4-person cab, dedicated EMS compartments, and 60 gallon CAFS foam system for initial response. It will serve as a dedicated technical rescue truck with increased capabilities for vehicle accident response. The truck will replace the 1997 Chevy 3500. The VFD intends to host an Open House event once the new truck is in service to let the public see the latest addition to the fire/rescue service fleet.

New Business: Supervisor Hall made a motion to appoint the newly elected Tax Collector, Lynda Pitzer, as the Amusement Tax Collector. Motion seconded by Supervisor Brown. All in favor. Motion carried.

Supervisor Hall made a motion to release the 2025 fire tax revenue to the Hickory Twp. VFD in the amount of \$55,200.00. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Brown. All in favor. Motion carried.

Supervisor Brown made a motion to approve the purchase of a Buffalo Turbine blower with carrier/trailer from Lane Pro Equipment in the amount of \$7,000.00. Said equipment will be used to blow grass cutting debris off the roadway and clear leaves from roadway ditches. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

Supervisor Brown made a motion to approve payment of the Hunter Truck Sales & Service invoice in the amount of \$5,871.74. The light wiring harness and related parts were totally replaced on the 2024 Peterbilt dump truck. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

PennDOT submitted a permit plan to the Township for review and approval concerning an upgrade to the SR 108 school zone flashing light apparatus for Laurel School District which is located in the PennDOT right-of-way. Supervisor Brown made a motion to approve the proposed permit plan contingent upon the Township reaching an agreement with the Laurel School District that they will maintain responsibility for the school zone flashing lights, as they have in the past. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

Supervisor Hall made a motion to amend the payment split for the Tax Collector’s bond with Laurel School District with Laurel paying 89% and the Township paying 11% of the bond premium. The percentages are congruent with the tax collection records of the Tax Collector for the past 5 years. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Brown. All in favor. Motion carried.

Supervisor Brown made a motion to approve Resolution #2026-8 to submit the 2026 Application for County Aid from the Lawrence County Liquid Fuels Program to the Lawrence County Department of Planning and Community Development for review and consideration by the Lawrence County Commissioners. The Township seeks assistance with funding the purchase of a Mack MD7 42R dump truck with municipal outfitting to replace the 2005 Peterbilt dump truck. The Mack truck is rated at the maximum GVWR permitted for non-CDL operation, which will alleviate the issue of finding CDL drivers to operate snow plow and road maintenance equipment. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

There was a brief discussion about potential 2026 road work such as seal coating and some base repair. The Supervisors intend to meet with the Township Engineer to review areas that they have earmarked as potentially needing attention this year.

The Township invoiced Metrovitalization/G Power, LLC/Kingdom Place in February for reimbursement of \$66,051.62 of engineering and related expenses incurred by the Township in accordance with the Developer's Agreement. In response, Mr. Trinidad submitted a payment proposal to reimburse the Township \$3,145.31 per lot contingent on home closing completion. Supervisor Hall made a motion to reject Mr. Trinidad's proposal. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Brown. All in favor. Motion carried.

Supervisor Hall made the motion to pass Resolution #2026-49 authorizing Supervisor Hall to sign the annual agreement with Infocon Corp. to prepare the 2026 municipal real estate tax bills. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Brown. All in favor. Motion carried.

Supervisor Hall made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 P.M. Motion seconded by Supervisor Brown. All in favor. Motion carried.

An executive session was held directly after the meeting to discuss litigation and personnel issues.