October 6, 2026

**REGULAR MEETING**

The Regular Meeting of the Hempfield Township Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday evening, October 6, 2026, at 7:00 P.M. in the Township Municipal Building. Chairman Hittle and Supervisor Geisel were present. Supervisor Ross was absent. Secretary Bartosh was present. Also present was Record Argus Editor, Caleb Stright, HVFD Chief Chris Rayburn, HVFD Assistant Chief, Michael Rayburn. Several residents were also in attendance to discuss issues in their neighborhood.

Chairman Gary Hittle called the Regular Meeting to order.

Chairman Hittle opened the meeting for Public Comment.

Several residents voiced concerns over activities happening in their neighborhood. They were inquiring about what they can do to alleviate the golf carts, 4 wheelers and electric bikes being used by minors, and being driven onto other resident's property. In addition, there are other residents burning unauthorized materials such as garbage, diapers and noxious materials, etc.

The supervisors advised residents that those things are police matters and should be taken care of by them. Calls need to be made when events are occurring so police are able to witness the events and determine next steps.

Chairman Hittle said he would entertain a motion to approve of and dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 1, 2026. Supervisor Geisel made that motion, Chairman Hittle duly seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chairman Hittle noted that the minutes are a public document and may be viewed at the Township Building during regular business hours.

Next, Chairman Hittle directed secretary Bartosh to open sealed bid proposals to lease 22 acres of land located at the corner of St. Glory Road and Fredonia Road for farming / agricultural use. Secretary Bartosh opened the only sealed bid received. Chairman Hittle requested a motion to approve the bid from Mr. Paul Kauffman of 481 Fredonia Road, Greenville, PA 16125 at $95.00 per acre, per year from January 1, 2027 through December 31, 2031. Supervisor Geisel made the motion to approve and Chairman Hittle seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chairman Hittle then stated that Hempfield Township Municipal Park will officially close for the winter season on Monday, October 26, 2026.

Next, Chairman Hittle wants to remind residents that Halloween Trick-or-Treat in the township is Saturday, October 31, 2026 from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM following the 2:00 PM parade.

Chairman Hittle also reminded residents that it is illegal to deposit leaves into their ditches along the roads without burning the leaves and removing any remaining debris. It is also illegal to push / rake leaves onto any public roads in the township.

In addition, a verbal permit for leaf burning must be obtained by calling the Township office during regular weekday hours, or by calling the Hempfield Police Department during evening and weekend hours.

Next, Chairman Hittle said a motion and a second are needed to approve the Hempfield Township Volunteer Fire Department Activities for the month. They are as follows: Schedule meetings: 10/5/26 Sugar Grove Township, 10/6/26 Hempfield Township, 10/12/26 Officer's meeting, 10/12/26 Company meeting, 10/15/26 CFSRA meeting, 10/20/26, County Chief's meeting; The following training will take place: 10/1/26 Company training, 10/6/26, 10/8/26, 10/13/26, 10/15/26, 10/20/26 , 10/27/26 Mutual Training - Fallowfield, 10/22/26 and 10/29/26 Company training,; There are several events taking place: 10/1/26, 10/8/26, 10/15/26, 10/22/26, 10/27/26 and 10/29/26 are EMT classes; 10/5/26 and 16/26 are Fire Prevention; 10/3/26 Grove City Parade, 10/19/26 Fredonia UTV ride, 10/21/26 CO Class at BC3; 10/31 Halloween Parade, 10/31/26 Trunk or Treat; 10/19/26 Bingo Fundraiser. Supervisor Geisel made a motion to approve the activities as presented, Chairman Hittle duly seconded. Motion carried.

Next on the Agenda is the viewing of reports of the various Township departments for the month of September. The police report was presented first. The officers worked 908 man-hours and traveled 4,7381 miles. They issued 2 traffic citations.
There were 49 criminal-related incidents, 284 service incidents, 28 police information, and 63 additional traffic related incidents. Property stolen was in the amount of $2,095.86 with $227.97 recovered. No property damage was reported.

There were 16 zoning permits issued by the Zoning Administrator for the month of September. They were issued to Duane Beilstein of 564 Methodist Road for a deck at an Estimated Market Value of $40,000.00; Kenneth Manko of 149 Hempfield Avenue for Roof Solar Panels at an Estimated Market Value of $14,284.40; Scott Wells of 355 Wasser Bridge Road for Roof Solar Panels at an Estimated Market Value of $71,340.00; Paul Nicklin of 87 West Methodist Road for Roof Solar Panels at an Estimated Market Value of 29,315.00; Amanda Irons of 616 Methodist Road for Roof Solar Panels at an Estimated Market Value of $62,311.80; Greenville Property Management LLC of 110 Fredonia Road for Roof replacement at an Estimated Market value of $30,000.00; Nathan Slocum of 27 Frye Road for house at an Estimated Market Value of $150,000.00; Robert and Kimberly Morgan of 30 Evergreen Drive for garage at an Estimated Market Value of $27,623.00; Ann Danilovics of 34 Donation Road for Storage shed at an Estimated Market Value of $2,500.00; Ann Danilovics of 34 Donation Road for additional Storage shed at an Estimated Market Value of $2,500.00; Darrin Rickert of 8 Canal Drive for Roof Solar Panels at an Estimated Market Value of $48,523.50; Lynn Muir of 4 Redwood Drive for Roof Solar Panels at an Estimated Market Value of $24,934.56;Jill Murrin of 12 Birch Drive for Roof Solar Panels at an Estimated Market Value of $15,055.20; Barry Lang of 161 Hamburg Road for Manufactured Dwelling at an Estimated Value of unknown; Paul Pryborowski of 153 Fredonia Road for Roof Solar Panels at an Estimated Market value of $18,794.40; Fire Fighter Sales and Service / Walmart of 45 Williamson Road for Fire Sprinkler System at an Estimated Market Value of $10,000.00.

The maintenance report was next. Activities included: Setting up pavilions; Weed eating at park; Checking catch basins; Weed eating cracks in roads; Checking on storm drains after storm; Setting up flags for several PA1 Calls; worked on street sweeper; mowed park and locals multiple times; Set up flags for Labor Day; Trimmed trees at park; picked up trash; Chipped roads; Swept roads; Worked on Massey

tractor; Worked on tar buggy; Dug ditches and patched Hudson Drive; Repaired weed eater; Worked on police cars; Worked on mower; Painted RR Crossings; Washed police cars; Trimmed Lorene Avenue and Hudson Drive; Sharpened chainsaw blades; Changed oil in mowers.

Chairman Hittle asked if there were any comments for the Miscellaneous portion of the meeting. There were none.

Chairman Hittle asked for a motion that checks be issued in payment of all utility bills, and that all other bills be checked and upon approval, be paid. Supervisor Geisel made the motion, Chairman Hittle duly seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There being no further business, Supervisor Geisel made a motion to adjourn. Chairman Hittle duly seconded the motion. Motion carried. Chairman Hittle declared the Meeting adjourned.

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Deborah L Bartosh, Township Secretary

**GENERAL FUND:**

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| BANK OF AMERICA..... | $300.00 |
| ADVANTAGE AUTO..... | $1,108.07 |
| AQUA PENNSYLVANIA..... | $61.07 |
| BARR & SHAFFER..... | $1,072.50 |
| BOB SUMEREL TIR..... | $1,540.32 |
| BROWNIES OIL CO..... | $1,454.39 |
| COMPANION LIFE INS..... | $512.34 |
| DAVID A. GEISEL..... | $61.20 |
| DEB BARTOSH..... | $756.25 |
| PENN POWER..... | $292.58 |
| NATIONAL FUEL..... | $78.06 |
| GARY E. HITTLE..... | $61.20 |
| HEMPFIELD TWP..... | $144.16 |
| HEMPFIELD TOWNSHIP V..... | $22,275.60 |
| JOHN HANCOCK..... | $98,597.00 |
| JOHN HANCOCK..... | $25,473.00 |
| KK PRO DESIGN..... | $100.00 |
| MARKL SUPPLY C..... | $55.00 |
| MERCER CO REGI..... | $708.12 |
| MARY LENTZ..... | $150.00 |

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| OPEN SIGNS…… | $850.00 |
| PACE ANALYTICA…… | $257.00 |
| PSATS…… | $70.00 |
| GREENVILE REC…… | $71.00 |
| ROGER R. SHAFFER, JR…… | $750.00 |
| TEAMSTERS # 261…… | $9,441.08 |
| TRI-COUNTY INDUSTR…… | $308.11 |
| TRITECH SOFTWA…… | $344.58 |
| VERIZON BUSINESS…… | $156.53 |

**STATE FUND**

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| PENN POWER…… | $2,610.81 |
| SHERWIN WILLIAMS…… | $492.00 |