

Lower Oxford Township
Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, December 8, 2025

The Regular Meeting of the Lower Oxford Township Board of Supervisors was held at the Township Building located at 220 Township Road, Oxford, Pennsylvania, 19363, on Monday, December 8, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

THE FOLLOWING WERE IN ATTENDANCE: Chairman, Kevin R. Martin; Vice-Chairman, Noël A. Roy; Member, Robert J. McMahon; Secretary/Treasurer, Deborah J. Kinney; Solicitor, Winifred Moran-Sebastian; and twelve guests.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Martin called the Regular Board of Supervisors meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Mr. Martin stated that a meeting was held on December 4, 2025, at the Township Building to discuss a Special Events ordinance and permitting process.

RECOGNITION OF THOSE ASKING TO APPEAR ON AGENDA

Ms. Carmina Taylor requested permission to speak during the Supervisors' discussion of the proposed "Special Events" ordinance concerning Lincoln University.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Roy made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular Board of Supervisors meeting conducted on Monday, November 10, 2025. Mr. McMahon seconded the motion. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

TREASURERS' REPORT

Mr. Roy moved to approve the bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$112,301.55. Mr. McMahon seconded the motion. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. McMahon moved to approve partial escrow release #6 for the Pine View Estates Phases 4 and 5 Subdivision and Land Development Plan in the amount of \$146,006.00 contingent upon the receipt of the Township Engineer's recommendation letter. Mr. Roy seconded the motion. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. McMahon moved to approve the Treasurer's report. Mr. Roy seconded the motion. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE

The correspondence list was made available to the public and is available upon request.

ZONING OFFICER/CODES ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Subdivision and Land Development:

Mr. McMahon moved to approve the Stormwater Management Operation and Maintenance Agreement for Stephen J. and Mary H. Beiler located at 240 W. Branch Road, Lincoln University, Pennsylvania, further identified by Tax Parcel No. 56-9-24. Mr. Roy seconded the motion. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Roy moved to approve the Stormwater Management Operation and Maintenance Agreement for the McDowell-Engelhardt two-lot subdivision located at 130 Roneys Corner Road, Oxford, Pennsylvania, further identified by Tax Parcel No. 56-8-121. Mr. McMahon seconded the motion. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Ms. Kinney stated that a sketch plan was received from Angelina Parisi for 241 Street Road, Oxford, Pennsylvania, which is the current property for the Wyncote/Dambro thirty-nine lot subdivision and land development plan consisting of 91.9 acres that will be presented at the next Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, December 16, 2025.

Ms. Kinney stated that the following extension letters were received for subdivision and land development plans:

Providence Place – 175 Limestone Road, Oxford – Received letter dated November 14, 2025, granting the Board of Supervisors additional time to consider the two-lot subdivision and land development plan until July 16, 2026.

Hostetter-Geoprobe – 469 Limestone Road, Oxford – Received letter dated December 8, 2025, granting the Board of Supervisors additional time to consider the two-lot subdivision and land development plan until March 15, 2026.

Mr. McMahon moved to approve the Zoning Officer's report. Mr. Roy seconded the motion. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

ENGINEER

Mr. Roy moved to approve the Engineer's report. Mr. McMahon seconded the motion. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

ROADMASTER

Mr. McMahon moved to approve the Roadmaster's report. Mr. Roy seconded the motion. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

OXFORD AREA SEWER AUTHORITY

Ms. Kinney presented the monthly report for the Oxford Area Sewer Authority that was held on Wednesday, November 19, 2025.

OXFORD AREA RECREATIONAL AUTHORITY

Ms. Kinney presented the report on behalf of the Oxford Area Recreational Authority for November 2025.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Mr. Roy reported that he contacted Kelly Tinsman of Chester County Emergency Services about Chief Partee's claim that he sent an IAP for the homecoming event; Ms. Tinsman confirmed only a notice was received, with no further details. Mr. Roy expressed disappointment that Chief Partee had not provided the information as stated at the previous Board meeting. Additionally, Supervisor McMahon, Township Solicitor, and he attended Lincoln University's Board of Trustees meeting on November 22, 2025, noting that the mass shooting that occurred at their homecoming event on October 25, 2025, was not discussed.

Mr. Roy reported that on Saturday, November 29th, a dump truck with an open bed hit Route #10 overpass, causing its closure until it reopened on Sunday, November 30th.

OXFORD REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Joel Brown reported that a virtual meeting was held on December 4, 2025. The group continued work on the new comprehensive plan and discussed current services, including police, fire, ambulance, healthcare, water, and sewer. More details will be discussed at the next meeting on January 28, 2026.

TAX COLLECTOR

Ms. Kinney reported \$8.31 was collected in current Real Estate Taxes there was no fire hydrant taxes collected for November 2025.

Mr. McMahon moved to approve the Tax Collector's report. Mr. Roy seconded the motion. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS (None)

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Roy moved to approve and adopt the 2026 budgets for the General Fund, State Fund, and Open Space Fund, and authorize the Secretary/Treasurer to advertise accordingly. Mr. McMahon seconded the motion. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Roy moved to approve the 2026 SCEMS Medic 94 contract in the amount of \$37,493.04. Mr. McMahon seconded the motion. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

The Board of Supervisors discussed the waterline easement agreement for Osborne Road and Oxford Borough with the Township Solicitor. Mr. McMahon requested that the Township be compensated by the Oxford Borough for the easement. The Township Solicitor will pursue this request.

Mr. McMahon moved to approve the waterline easement agreement for Osborne Road between Lower Oxford Township and the Oxford Borough contingent upon a favorable recommendation from the Township Engineer and Solicitor. Mr. Roy seconded the motion. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Board discussed the proposed “Special Event” permit and ordinance. Supervisor Roy recommended that the IAP be added to the ordinance as a requirement. The Solicitor stated that she will be working on it with the Zoning Officer and present it for adoption to the Board of Supervisors at an upcoming meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Farber asked the Board to define IAP? Supervisor Roy responded that it is an Incident Action Plan.

Ms. Getty stated that as a concerned resident, she would like to know if there are any penalties if the terms of the special event ordinance aren’t followed. The Township Solicitor responded that what has been suggested is a \$1,000 fine. She continued by saying that this ordinance will address any large events such as Lincoln University and Sacred Heart Church.

Mr. Brown inquired about the section of the ordinance to which the special events ordinance applies; the Township Solicitor replied that it will be placed under the nuisance section. Mr. Brown noted that at the last meeting State Representative John Lawrence had offered his facilities for a meeting and asked if the Township reached out to take him up on his offer. Chairman Martin confirmed they have been in contact with Representative Lawrence, who is informed of any recent developments, however, the Township has not requested to use his facilities at this time.

Supervisor McMahon stated that he grew up near Lincoln University and never had incidents such as what has happened over the last few years. He stated that growing up he wasn’t aware of their events because they were well run and contained on the campus and didn’t affect anyone outside the campus.

Mr. Floyd, Jr., a retired Philadelphia Police Commander and former Public Safety official at Lincoln University, expressed his disappointment with how the University handled recent events with regards to the mass shooting at homecoming. Highlighting Lincoln University's historic significance—including Albert Einstein lecturing there and Ghana's first President graduating—he stressed the need for safeguards to prevent similar incidents. Mr. Floyd commended the state police and EMS response, suggested the University could create a police academy to engage youth in law enforcement, and criticized the administration’s handling of the situation. He urged University officials to participate in Township meetings that should include their police chief and administration to encourage cooperation to avoid future catastrophes. He stated that in the past, Lincoln University hired two police officers that had vast experience with narcotics enforcement. The administration at Lincoln University said they didn’t want them. The fact that drugs are being distributed on campus requires accountability from the administration that has totally failed. He further stated that Dr. Allen and her administration should be at Township meetings every time they convene.

Mr. Arnold said he was a former whistleblower at Lincoln University. He reported that he did not sign a non-disclosure agreement during his time there, unlike others. He expressed concern over the administration's response following the mass shooting incident, and that there was a clear lack of accountability. Mr. Arnold highlighted prior security concerns on campus, referencing incidents such as individuals scaling gates, public intoxication, and inappropriate behavior on neighboring properties. He suggested that the current penalty of one thousand dollars is insufficient and urged the Supervisors to implement stricter enforcement. According to Mr. Arnold, both students and faculty were exposed to potential risks. He further stated that President Allen has not accepted responsibility for any of these issues and claimed that Governor Schapiro supported her without holding her accountable. Mr. Arnold recounted that Dr. Allen previously barred him from campus and threatened legal action without providing specific grounds. He also noted that Venus Boston, Counsel to Dr. Allen, advised him against engaging with media and warned of possible arrest for trespassing. Mr. Arnold believes the administration's focus is primarily on protecting the institution and not the students or community. He emphasized the need for action before the upcoming Spring Fling event, citing significant statistics related to drug and alcohol incidents on campus. Mr. Arnold expressed hope for prompt improvements in security and meaningful solutions, offering insights based on his experience within the university. He concluded by emphasizing the importance of prioritizing administrative accountability instead of focusing exclusively on assigning blame on gun violence.

Ms. Ross stated that she moved into Lower Oxford Township fourteen years ago and being from a long line of Quakers, has expressed pride in Lincoln University's significant history. Lincoln University used to be very respectful of the community with their events, however over the last few years, this has not been the case. The mass shooting during the homecoming event in October 2025, emergency responders could not access the areas putting not only the students at risk, but residents as well. She further emphasized the need for improved security measures questioning why, despite a \$25 million gift, the University has not installed metal detectors or similar safety mechanisms.

Chairman Martin explained that while the Township has sought to address concerns with Lincoln University, its authority is somewhat limited because the university is a state-related institution. He stated that the Township hopes to work together with the university's administration; however, he acknowledged that some problems lie outside their jurisdiction.

Ms. Boston, General Counsel to Chief of Staff at Lincoln University, stated the fact is that they were a victim of gun violence that occurred at homecoming this year. The University wants to work with Lower Oxford Township to resolve these issues and address these concerns.

Ms. Arscott from Lincoln University thanked the Board for addressing the campus shooting and emphasized the seriousness of gun violence. She continued by stating that gun violence is an epidemic and we shouldn't minimize it. Chairman Martin said their goal is to prevent future gun violence, not downplay its seriousness.

Ms. Boroughs asked the Board of Supervisors to define what qualifies as a large event and set related enforcement fees when developing the proposed ordinance. She appreciated the Township's outreach to Lincoln University.

Ms. Taylor, a Lincoln University alumna and former parent association leader, spoke out about declining parental involvement and alleged university misconduct. She claimed Lincoln filed a false lawsuit against her after she exposed issues of drugs, alcohol, and sexual assault on campus, and that the university lacked accountability and transparency. Ms. Taylor said her son, then a senior, was bullied and excluded due to her advocacy, and she was banned from campus under threat of arrest. She urged local supervisors to press the university to improve safety for students and the community.

Ms. Getty expressed her appreciation upon hearing Ms. Arscott's statement that Lincoln University is now interested in collaborating with Lower Oxford Township, noting that this had not occurred in the past. She said Dr. Allen was uncooperative at the November 12, 2024, meeting that was set up by the Township regarding serious safety concerns from the October 2024 homecoming event, where she accused them of racism. Ms. Getty expressed satisfaction with the Board of Supervisors' involvement, noting that Lincoln University needs stronger leadership.

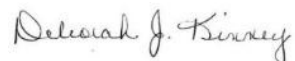
Mr. Dean, a coach at Lincoln University, thanked the Board for addressing concerns about the mass shooting. He expressed confidence in President Allen's leadership, acknowledged positive changes in both the University and community, and praised the Township for its efforts. He noted that improvements take time and believes everyone wants progress. Ms. Taylor stated that if this is the case, why were there five deaths over eight years that had not prompted any action from the University.

Chairman Martin emphasized the urgent need to address these issues due to its impact on our community with regards to their health, safety, and welfare and stated they will meet with Lincoln University after the new year.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. McMahon moved to adjourn at 8:17 p.m. Mr. Roy seconded the motion. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted,



Deborah J. Kinney, Secretary/Treasurer

*Copies of all reports are available upon request at Lower Oxford Township, 220 Township Road, Oxford, Pennsylvania.