

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2026

The Board of County Commissioners met today for a Commissioners' Meeting.

Present at today's meeting were:

Ray D'Agostino, Chairman
Joshua G. Parsons, Vice-Chairman
Alice Yoder
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Lawrence M. George
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR/CHIEF CLERK

Amy M. Campbell
DEPUTY CHIEF CLERK

Jacquelyn Pfursich, Esquire
COUNTY SOLICITOR

Also, present were:

Michael Armer, Buyer III
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

William Clark, Executive Director
PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Matt Knepper, Director
AGRICULTURAL PRESERVE BOARD

Paul Marler, Deputy Director of IT
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY 911 DIVISION

Deanna Weaver, Program Director
DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE - VICTIM/WITNESS SERVICES

Commissioner D'Agostino called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner D'Agostino announced that the Board of Commissioners met in Executive Session on Tuesday, February 17, 2026, at 11:03 a.m. to discuss Litigation, which is the Auker case, docket number 5:24-cv-01112-CH, Eastern District Court.

Commissioner D'Agostino announced approval of the February 11, 2026, Commissioners' Meeting Minutes.

On motion of Commissioner Parsons, seconded by Commissioner Yoder, it was agreed for the County of Lancaster, acting on behalf of the Department of Public Safety, to approve the following:

<u>Grant Award With:</u>	Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency Harrisburg, PA
<u>Purpose:</u>	To recognize the grant funds for the 911 Statewide Interconnectivity Grant to be used for GIS projects.
<u>Amount/Term</u>	\$55,000.00 for the period January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026.
<u>Funding:</u>	Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency funds.

Motion passes unanimously.

On motion of Commissioner Yoder, seconded by Commissioner Parsons, it was agreed for the County of Lancaster, acting on behalf of the District Attorney's Office - Victim/Witness Services, to approve the following:

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Annual Grant Award With:

Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency
Harrisburg, PA

Purpose:

To receive grant money from the Rights and Services Act (RSA) and Victims of Juvenile Offenders (VOJO) funding under Act 86 for Victim and Witness Services. The money will be used for support, information, referral, accompaniment, and assistance with restitution and victims' compensation and will partially fund salaries and benefits for eight victim advocates.

Amount/Term:

\$388,451.00 for the period January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026.

Funding:

73% Federal and 27% State.

Motion passed unanimously.

On motion of Commissioner Parsons, seconded by Commissioner Yoder, it was agreed for the County of Lancaster, acting on behalf of the Purchasing Department and the Department of Public Safety, to approve the following:

Agreement With:

Emergency Services Consulting International
Chantilly, VA

Purpose:

To provide Hazardous Materials Response Strategic Plan Consulting services to the County.

Amount/Term

Not to exceed \$39,633.00 for the period March 1, 2026, through February 28, 2027.

Funding:

Act 165 Hazmat Escrow funds.

Motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 9 of 2026

On motion of Commissioner Yoder, seconded by Commissioner Parsons, it was agreed for the County of Lancaster to enter into an Agreement of Sale for an Agricultural Conservation Easement with the following property owner:

<u>Name/Township</u>	<u>Type of Easement</u>	<u>County Share</u>	<u>State Share</u>
James L. Denlinger and Alica B. Denlinger 2016-005 East Lampeter Township	Perpetual	\$0.00	\$193,400.00

The Commissioners certify that the James L. Denlinger and Alica B. Denlinger farm, consisting of 48.93 acres, of which, 48.35 is proposed for preservation is located in the Agricultural Security Area of East Lampeter Township.

Motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 10 OF 2026

**ADOPTION OF A LANCASTER COUNTY
PLANNING REVIEW FEES SCHEDULE**

On motion of Commissioner Parsons, seconded by Commissioner Yoder;

WHEREAS, Section 502(b) of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code (MPC) obligates municipalities that have adopted a subdivision and land development ordinance (SALDO) for their jurisdiction to forward subdivision and land development submittals to the County for advisory review and report to the municipality; and

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WHEREAS, Section 502(b) of the MPC furthermore authorizes the payment of a fee to the County by an applicant for advisory County review sufficient to cover the costs of County review and report; and

WHEREAS, Section 609(e) of the MPC requires municipalities to submit proposed zoning ordinance amendments and zoning map changes to the County Planning Department for review and recommendations, and Section 202 of the MPC authorizes the County to charge reasonable fees for the performance of such professional planning services; and

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Sewage Facilities Act (Act 537) and 25 Pa. Code § 71.83 require County Planning review of sewage facilities planning modules (Component 4) for consistency with county-wide planning, and authorize the collection of reasonable fees to cover the costs of said professional reviews; and

WHEREAS, The Lancaster County Planning Schedule of Application Fees has not been revised since on or before February 18, 2015; and

WHEREAS, The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners recognizes the need of the County to provide subdivision and land development review to ensure subdivision and land development plan compliance with the planning policies, standards and requirements of the MPC and the County; and

WHEREAS, The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners recognizes the fiscal responsibility of the County for establishing a review fees schedule that is reasonable and customary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LANCASTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, as follows:

1. Applicability.
The fees scheduled set forth by this resolution shall apply to all subdivision and land development plan submittals, zoning ordinance and map amendments, and sewage facilities planning modules filed with the Lancaster County Planning Department ("Planning Department") for review and report.
2. Schedule of Review Fees.
The schedule of Planning Department fees for all subdivision and land development plan submittals filed for advisory review by the Planning Commission shall be as shown in attached Exhibit A.
3. Requirements.
 - A. The tally of lots for purposes of calculating subdivision fees by the number of proposed lots shall include the residual or "parent" lot or tract of land.
 - B. Planning review work shall cease if the applicant has not paid the applicable fees in accordance with customary County billing procedures.
4. Fee Exemptions and Waivers.
 - A. Municipal Initiatives: Fees shall be waived for all advisory reviews of municipal comprehensive plans, zoning ordinance text amendments, and zoning map amendments initiated by a municipality for the purpose of updating local regulations or public policy.
 - B. Public Entities: Fees may be waived for applications filed by a governmental subunit of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or the United States, including local school districts and municipal authorities, provided the project serves a primary public purpose.
 - C. Private Petitions: No waiver shall apply to zoning maps or text amendments initiated by private petition. Private applicants shall be responsible for the "Private Petition" fee as outlined in Exhibit A.
5. Effective Date.
This resolution shall become effective and be in force May 1, 2026.
6. Evaluation for Effectiveness.
The Planning Department is authorized to periodically evaluate the effectiveness of this fees schedule and its stipulated requirements and to recommend to the Lancaster County Board of Commissioners such revisions as determined necessary or appropriate.

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7. Repeal.

This resolution shall replace the Fee Schedule for Subdivision and Land Development Applications resolution adopted by the Lancaster County Board of Commissioners, effective February 18, 2015.

Motion passed unanimously.

On motion of Commissioner Yoder, seconded by Commissioner Parsons, the meeting adjourned at 9:31 a.m.

Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Lydia Kovalchuk, Executive Assistant
Commissioners' Office