

COLLIER TOWNSHIP - BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES May 27th, 2025 5:30 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM.

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

B. ROLL CALL

The following Commissioners were present for this meeting:

Commissioner Wayne Chiurazzi, President of the Board Commissioner Kari Suter Commissioner Gabriel Benvenuti Commissioner Dawnlee Vaughn Commissioner MaryAnn Cupples

Additionally present were the following members of Township staff:

George Macino, Township Manager
Amy Medway, Township Secretary
Greg Butler, Finance Director
Mitch Montani, Public Works Director
Robert Shazer, Parks and Recreation Director
Thomas Plietz, Building Inspector
Robert Caun, Planning Director
Michael Santicola, Township Solicitor
Travis Stanczyk, Township Engineer

Additionally present was Sergeant Bill Oslick of the Collier Township Police

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Department.

C. EXECUTIVE SESSION

II. Board Discussions for Committees (2025)

- A. Manager's Report
- B. Building/Codes Report
- C. Council of Governments Report
- D. Finance Report
- E. Parks & Recreation Report
- F. Planning/Zoning Report
- G. Public Safety Report
- H. Public Works Report
- I. Sewer Department Report

No questions or discussions from the Board concerning committee reports.

Statements made by the Board to express appreciation for the Memorial Day ceremony that was conducted on 5/26. Commissioner Vaughn requested for the record that Collier EMS receive the highest praise for their appearance and conduct at the ceremony and appreciates them being available to assist whenever necessary.

Introduction of Liam Coffey, the Township's summer intern, to the Board.

Statements made by the Board to appreciate the billboard showcasing Collier Township's welcome sign and logo. A monument has been constructed at the base of the billboard, but the monument itself is still in progress with additional landscaping and final details to be added before its completion. This has led to the occasional misconception that the Township has somehow purchased or leased the land from the company that owns the billboard, which is incorrect. The billboard company, in whatever capacity they own the land (either by lease or by purchase), is responsible for all maintenance in the area that is under their ownership.

Discussion was held concerning the Verizon cell phone tower's final stages of construction, the Grist House's final stage of construction, and the upcoming Community Day celebration on June 14th from 2 PM to 10 PM.

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Motion to approve department reports as presented made by Commissioner Suter, seconded by Commissioner Vaughn. All ayes, motion carried.

III. Public Comment/Comment on New Business Items

Sam Yurchak of 71A Noblestown Road: Mr. Yurchak returned with additional complaints of vibrations throughout his home which he believes are resonating from the industrial section. Discussion was held concerning actions that the Township has taken to assist Mr. Yurchak, which have unfortunately reached the limits of assistance permitted by ordinance. The Township engineer did examine the area for mine subsidence or any previous underground spring history or history of flowing water and nothing was found that could be contributing to Mr. Yurchak's perceived vibrations. The ordinance is also restrictive concerning how the vibrations are felt, as it states that they must be detectable without the use of any equipment to be an actionable violation. However, it was suggested that Mr. Yurchak can either hire an individual with a seismograph or otherwise obtain the use of such a device to determine if there are perceptible vibrations that then appear on the device; if they do, this may end up being a civil issue rather than anything involving the Township. Additional suggestions were to reach out to the area's state representative or to otherwise contact Allegheny County's office to determine if there are any additional steps that can be taken.

IV. New Business

- 1. Consider action to approve the Conditional Use application of the Ukrainian Catholic Diocese of St. Josephat with the following conditions:
 - I. The size of the Chapel be less than or equal to 5000 square feet.
- II. Fire Hydrants be installed and located as per the recommendation of the Township Fire Officials.

No vote was taken to table the motion, but all commissioners agreed that motion would be tabled until next meeting.

2. Consider action on bond reduction request No. 2 from Maronda Homes for Amalfi Ridge Phase 6. The Township Engineer recommends reducing the bond amount from \$264,660.00 to \$195,905.11.

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Motion to approve made by Commissioner Vaughn, seconded by Commissioner Suter. All ayes, motion carried.

3. Consider action to approve the workshop meeting minutes from April 14th, 2025, and the regular meeting minutes from April 28th, 2025.

Motion to approve made by Commissioner Benvenuti, seconded by Commissioner Chiurazzi. All ayes, motion carried.

4. Consider action to approve Resolution No. 05-27-2025-01, which agrees to transfer the ownership of certain Sanitary Sewer Overflows (SSOs) in the Chartiers Valley sewer system assets owned by Collier Township as per the Transfer Agreement between ALCOSAN and the Township.

Motion to approve made by Commissioner Suter, seconded by Commissioner Cupples. All ayes, motion carried.

V. Approval of General, Sewer and Capital Account items.

Invoices Paid, Checks Written and Bills Requested from May 12th, 2025, to May 27th, 2025:

- o General Fund in the amount of \$96,373.71
- o Capital Fund in the amount of \$141,348.12
- o Sewer Fund in the amount of \$725,714.40

Motion to approve payment of bills made by Commissioner Benvenuti, seconded by Commissioner Vaughn. All ayes, motion carried.

VI. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Vaughn, seconded by Commissioner Suter. All ayes, meeting adjourned at 5:52 PM.

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