Centre Township Advisory Board Minutes

DATE	**AUGUST 12, 2025**
TIME	5:00 PM
MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY	Tom Lindenman

IN ATTENDANCE

Trustee Judie Galloway, Chairman Tom Lindenman, Member Dave Vandewalle, Member Gail Figg, Chief Darrell Eiler, Clerk Keith Winger.

Firefighters: Dean Maxey, Bob Litteral, James Hare, Isaac Minnick, Dave Sommers and John Zwickl

Residents: Jason Kring, Tom Hertel and David Frick

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of July 8, 2025, meeting were approved. The motion was made to approve minutes and seconded by Tom Lindenman.

NEW BUSINESS

1. The July month ending reports were reviewed and discussed and as of July 30, we used 57% of our budget.
2. A meeting with DLGF is set up for August 29 to continue work on the 2026 budget and then public meetings will be held.
3. We are working with Cender Dalton Municipal Advisors on the new budget.

OLD BUSINESS

1. The new BC vehicle is now in service. The Chief's pick-up is now a utility truck.
2. Continuing to work on the feasibility study. We have drawings, but they are not final. Most likely we will have to do a bond. A topographical survey will be done due to water problems in the past.
3. Engine 41 has been sold. Everything else has been settled with Portage township.
4. Timm Schabbel has been hired as consultant for the potential new Clay/Penn/Centre Territory to determine staffing and budget needs for the new Territory.
5. Capital Needs status:
   a. Light duty gear has been ordered at $850/set.
   b. Continuing to check on getting "Hot Sticks" for spotting downed electrical wires.
   c. The Combi tool was received and installed on the vehicle.
   d. We do not need a new gas monitor.
   e. Checking prices on batteries for handheld tools.
   f. Five Motorola handheld radios have been ordered with five extra batteries.
   g. Checking to determine the style of turnout gear we want.
   h. A company is going to be coming to give price on cleaning the ceiling and pipes.
   i. The electrical IT apparatus is temporarily covered for now.
   j. Continuing to determine what our generator needs are and get quotes.
   k. The parking lot repairs and seal coating are on hold pending building and territory decisions.
   l. The replacement of the two red service doors has been contracted.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT

1. The First Due System will officially go online August 15.
2. We had 97 runs in July and 664 YTD.
3. Fire Law Best Practices employee handbook is being worked on.
4. There were a couple of minor maintenance problems that were fixed.
5. Cody Price will be leaving August 17, and a replacement has been hired.
6. No new information on the Chris Haggerty situation except his health insurance expenses have been terminated.
7. The stairway treads were replaced today.
8. Continuing to work towards what needs to be done about obtaining grants. Steve Dalton provided a contract from a client of his that experienced the same difficulty.

OTHER REPORTS

1. The Union representative will meet with committee on budget.
2. These meetings are now being streamed and achieved on centretownshipin.gov

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is September 9, 2025, at 5:00PM

ADJOURNMENT

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made 5:45 PM by Tom Lindenman, seconded by Dave Vandewalle and carried.