

June 4, 2026
Elk County Board of Commissioners
Meeting Minutes

Elk County, Ridgway, PA

The Elk County Board of Commissioners met on Thursday, June 4, 2026 at 2:30 PM, Straub Brewery Tap Room. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Those present were Commissioners M. Fritz Lecker, Matthew G. Quesenberry, and Gregory J. Gebauer. Also present were Patrick Straub, Chief Clerk; Emily Anders, Office Administrator; Calvin Moore, IT Director; Matthew Frey, Treasurer; Nancy Baker, CYS Director; Kim Frey, Elections Director; Laurie Storrar, Jones Township Supervisor; Lyle Garner, St. Marys Mayor; Rich Warmbrodt, Johnsonburg Borough Councilman; Clark Lecker, St. Marys City Council; and Justin Felgar, Press.

Excused was Rick Brown, Solicitor.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve by Gregory J. Gebauer, second by Matthew G. Quesenberry and carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES— May 21, 2026 Commissioners Meeting. **Motion to approve by Matthew G. Quesenberry, second by Gregory J. Gebauer and carried unanimously.**

PRESENTATIONS

1. Proclamation of Child Welfare Professionals Appreciation Week: June 8th - 12th.
2. Welcoming of Municipal Officials to meeting

RESOLUTIONS –

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. Request by Elections, new contract with Elections Systems and Software, LLC for:
 - a. \$99,335.00 for electronic pollbooks; hardware, installation, training, maintenance, support, shipping and 1st year licensing fee.
 - b. Licensing maintenance and support for years 2-5 will be \$9,900 each, or \$39,600.**Motion to approve by Matthew G. Quesenberry, second by Gregory J. Gebauer and carried unanimously.**
2. Request for allocation of Liquid Fuel Funds in the amount of \$7,500.00 for Ridgway Borough for 2025 paving project. **Motion to approve by Gregory J. Gebauer, second by Matthew G. Quesenberry and carried unanimously.**
3. Request by CYS, renewal contract with Avanco International, LLC in the amount of \$2,483.27 for AFCARS upgrade and maintenance. **Motion to approve by Gregory J. Gebauer, second by Matthew G. Quesenberry and carried unanimously.**
4. Request by the Ridgway Heritage Council, place an eagle carving on the Courthouse lawn. **Motion to approve by M. Fritz Lecker, second by Matthew G. Quesenberry and carried unanimously.**

CORRESPONDENCE – (The following correspondence, if any, is available in the Commissioner’s office for further review.)

1. PinOak Energy Partners, LLC (received May 11th) regarding filing of Notice of Intent with the Susquehanna River Basin Commission seeking approval for the consumptive use of water for drilling and development of natural gas wells on the Wolfinger Pad A – Beechwood, located in the City of St. Marys. The requested consumptive use is 5.0MM gallons per day. This notice is subject to 18 CFR section 806.22(f) which requires a 30 day public comment period.
2. Beran Environmental Services on behalf of EQT Production Company (received May 20th) regarding their intent to file apply to PA DEP for a Chapter 105 Waterway Obstruction and Encroachment Permit for eight (8) GP-8 Temporary Road Crossing and one (1) GP-11 Maintenance Testing, Repair, Rehabilitation or Replacement of Water Obstructions. The project name is “Mason#1 Well Plugging and Site Restoration” and is located in Benezette Township. The total disturbance area is 2.31 acres. This notice is provided pursuant to PA Administrative Code Section 1905-A, as amended by Act 14, which requires a 30 day public comment period.

GOOD OF THE COUNTY

- We welcome and encourage the public to attend our meetings.
- Straub Brewery is launching their special 250th Anniversary American Ale. The Keg Tapping will be at 3:30, following this meeting.
- America250PA updates – Sandy Beach Park June 27th – Great American Duck Race
- The 6 local municipalities that have scheduled fireworks displays were sent applications for a firework display grant to enhance the 250th anniversary.
- Please continue to pray for our military personnel, our families and our children, their teachers, all elected officials and peace in the world.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS

COMMENTS FROM TAXPAYERS

ADJOURN MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 PM on a motion by Gregory J. Gebauer.

Next Meeting:

10:00 A.M. Thursday, June 18, 2026

Thomas G. Wagner Conference Room, Courthouse Annex

Attest: _____

