

Call to Order: The Laporte Township Board of Supervisors' Organizational Meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m. by Chairman Jeff Hamilton, who also led the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisor Richard Marks and Secretary Kathy Klim were also in attendance. There were no visitors.

Appointment of Temporary positions: Jeff Hamilton was appointed temporary Chairman, Richard Marks was appointed temporary Vice-Chairman, and Kathy Klim was appointed temporary Secretary/Treasurer.

Appointment of Board positions: A motion was made by Jeff Hamilton, seconded by Richard Marks, to keep all positions in 2025 the same as in 2024, as listed below. All being in favor, the motion passed.

Chairman: Jeff Hamilton

Vice Chairman: Leo Fiester

Secretary/ Treasurer: Kathy Klim

A motion was made by Richard Marks, and seconded by Jeff Hamilton to appoint the following additional positions in the Township and Approve the other items listed below:

Caretaker of Equipment: Richard Marks

Roadmaster: Richard Marks

Secretary/Treasurer: Kathy Klim

Vacancy Board: Kevin Botsford

Variance Board: Kevin Botsford, Randy Ruhl, Frank Miller

SEO: Paul Baran, Terri Baran, Charles Amer

Legal Counsel: J. David McCormick

PSATS Voting Delegate: Leo Fiester

Emergency Manager: Randy Ruhl

Transfer Station Manager: Richard Marks

Approve the following items:

Treasurer's Bond: Increase the Treasurer's Bond to \$400,000.

Depository: Continue using C & N Bank as the Laporte Township Depository.

Regular Monthly Meetings: The regularly scheduled monthly meetings will be held at the Laporte Township Office at 9:00 a.m. on the following dates in 2025: February 4, March 4, April 1, May 13, June 3, July 1, August 5, September 2, October 7, November 4, and December 2.

Township Holidays:

The Township will be closed on the following seven holidays:

New Year's Day, Easter, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas-December 25th.

Holiday pay will be given to those who would have normally been scheduled on those days.

Convention: The PSATS Convention will be held on May 4 – 7, 2025, at the Hershey Lodge in Hershey, PA. Registration will begin January 14th. Leo Fiester and Kathy Klim plan to attend.

Bid Thresholds for 2025: the new bid threshold for 2025 is as listed:

\$0 to \$12,899.00 ok to purchase

\$12,900.00 up to \$23,800.00 requires 3 written or telephone quotes (documented)

\$23,800 and up, requires public bid with advertising.

Wage and Compensation for Township Employees

Regular Monthly Pay for Supervisors: \$75.00

Additional Meetings, COG, etc. \$25.00/Hour

Secretary/Treasurer \$925.00/Month; Over 60 Hour per month - \$17/Hour

Class A - Transfer Station Attendant \$14.28

Class B - General Labor/Road Work \$15.68

Class D - Operator/ Truck Driver \$22.71

Employed Supervisor \$21.21 Set by Township Auditors

Mileage IRS rate

All being in favor, the motion carried.

A motion to accept the following fee schedule and SEO fee schedule, beginning February 1, 2025 was made by Richard Marks and seconded by Jeff Hamilton. All being in favor, the motion passed.

The amount of \$0.35/bag collected at Transfer Station will be allocated to the Laporte Volunteer Fire Company. Laporte Township will pay this allocation to the Fire Company quarterly. The Township will request to receive a copy of the monthly meeting minutes from the Fire Company to continue with this funding program.

Laporte Township 2025 Fee Schedule (Beginning February 1, 2025:

Township Permits

Land Use Permit

100 – 200 square foot	\$10.00
201 – 900 square foot	\$25.00
901 higher square foot	\$50.00

Driveway Permit

Single Home Driveway	\$25.00
Multi Home Driveway	\$50.00
Loop Driveway	\$50.00
Commercial Driveway	\$75.00
Temporary Driveway	\$50.00
Paving/tar- chip	
Existing Driveway	\$25.00

Fees are double if work is started before permit is obtained (paid and approved)

Township Services

Dumpsters	Dumpsters will be rented for 10 days; dumpsters kept beyond 10 days will be charged an additional \$10/per day.
15 yard (2 ton allowance)	\$350.00
30 yard (3 ton allowance)	\$400.00
	\$90.00 per ton over allowance
Cinders	
Per Scoop	\$50.00

Transfer Station

The following change to fees related to trash bags collected was decided by the Laporte Township Supervisors: Bags weighing up to 22 pounds will be charged \$3.00/bag. Bags over 22 pounds will be charged \$5.00/bag. \$0.35/bag from any size bag will continue to be allocated to the Laporte Volunteer Fire Company.

Household Trash (Up to 22 pounds)	\$3.00/bag (\$0.35 allocated to Laporte Vol. Fire Co.)
Household Trash (Over 22 pounds)	\$5.00/bag (\$0.35 allocated to the Laporte Vol. Fire Co.)
Pick Up Load -Start at	\$50.00 and up
T-Tag and Trailer -Start at	\$100.00 and up
Burner Barrel	\$10.00
Appliances Start at	\$5.00 and up
Sofa	\$10.00
Chair	\$5.00
Mattress/Box Spring	\$5.00
Water Heaters	\$10.00
Push Mower	\$6.00
Riding Mower	\$20.00
Car Battery	\$3.00
Car Tires off rims	\$6.00

The Transfer Station attendant has the right to adjust fees depending on size and weight of items.

**LAPORTE TOWNSHIP
2025 SEO FEE SCHEDULE**

**** A 10% Laporte Township Fee is included in all fees.**

RESIDENTIAL ON-LOT SEPTIC SYSTEM:

Applications Per Site:

Evaluation of Two (2) test pits	Total Cost: \$165.00
Additional tests pits \$49.50 each	Total Cost: \$49.50
Percolation Test per 6 holes	Total Cost: \$220.00
Additional perc, Holes \$27.50 each	Total Cost: \$27.50

SUBDIVISIONS:

Applications Per Site:

Evaluation of Two (2) test pits	Total Cost: \$275.00
Additional tests pits per site/lot	Total Cost: \$60.50 each
Back up site per site/Lot	Total Cost: \$220.00
Percolation Test, six (6) holes per site/lot	Total Cost: \$220.00
Additional Perc. Holes per site/lot	Total Cost: \$27.50 each
Evaluation of remaining acres with an existing on-lot Septic System	Total Cost: \$110.00
IRRIS per test pit	Total Cost: \$82.50

COMMERCIAL FEE SCHEDULE:

Applications Per Site:

Evaluation of Two (2) test pits	Total Cost: \$440.00
Additional tests pits \$82.50 each	Total Cost: \$82.50
Percolation Test per 6 Holes	Total Cost: \$330.00
Additional Perc. Holes \$82.50 each	Total Cost: \$82.50
Reviewing design and issuing permit:	Total Cost: \$330.00
This fee includes final inspection, and all additional visits while septic system is being installed.	

(All site testing minimum 2 hours)

Alternate Systems Not Mentioned Above:

Evaluation of Two (2) test pits	Total Cost: \$275.00
Additional tests pits \$55.00 each	Total Cost: \$60.50
Percolation Test per 6 Holes	Total Cost: \$220.00
Additional Perc. Holes \$27.50 each	Total Cost: \$27.50

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Inground Gravity:

Design Review	Total Cost:	\$33.00
Permit	Total Cost:	\$137.50

Inground Pressurized:

Design Review	Total Cost:	\$82.50
Permit	Total Cost:	\$220.00

Above Ground Pressurized: (Conventional)

Design Review	Total Cost:	\$110.00
Permit	Total Cost:	\$385.00

Sub-Surface Sand Filter:

Design Review	Total Cost:	\$165.00
Permit	Total Cost:	\$275.00

Tank Replacement:

Total Cost:	\$165.00
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This fee includes final inspection

All additional visits while tank is being installed.

Holding Tanks, Privies,

Chemical and Composting toilets:

Total Cost:	\$220.00
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This fee includes final inspection, (\$1,000 escrow may be required.)

All additional visits while tank or tanks are being installed.

Holding tank residential, last resort for malfunction.

Total Cost:	\$165.00
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Holding Tank, Drilling Pads:

Total Cost:	\$1,017.50
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(Per 18 months)

Alternate Systems Not Mentioned Above:

Design Review	Total Cost:	\$330.00
Permit	Total Cost:	\$495.00
Lab Test Fees	Total Cost:	\$220.00
6 Month Site Inspection	Total Cost:	\$132.00

Rate for Other Work

Malfunction Investigation per hour	\$50.00
Site Verification per lot:	\$95.00
Septic System Site Staked Out Verification	\$100.00
Planning or site Inspections flat rate /hour	\$150.00
Re Connect to old system	\$150.00
Form B Non-building Waiver	\$150.00
Review Component 1 Module	\$125.00
Review Component 2 Module	\$175.00
Court Appearance	\$100.00/hour
Any other services not listed	\$100.00/hour
Return Check Fee	\$75.00

Having completed the Organizational Meeting, the Supervisors moved on to the regular monthly meeting.