

**MINUTES**  
**SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Richland Township and Richland Volunteer Fire Department**  
**May 21, 2025**

*Richland Township representatives and the Volunteer Fire Department representatives met at the Richland Township Administrative Offices on May 21, 2025 at 11:00 a.m., for their monthly Safety Committee meeting.*

**PRESENT**

*Bryan J. Beppler, Executive Director  
Kimberly D. Stayrook, Administrative Assistant  
Wesley Meyers, Richland Fire Department  
William Lehmann, Richland Fire Department – via telephone  
Scott Conahan, Police Department Representative  
Kevin Gaudlip, Police Department Representative  
Brandon Rozich, Road Department Representative*

**ABSENT**

*Todd Shaffer, Road Department Representative*

**APPROVAL OF PRIOR MONTH'S MEETING MINUTES – April 9, 2025**

*- Mr. Lehmann moved to approve the minutes of April 9, 2025 as distributed, seconded by Mr. Rozich. All in favor. Motion carried.*

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Site Safety Inspections**

*Mr. Beppler stated that the second quarter of 2025 site safety inspection report was received from the Public Works Department, and he stated their inspection was completed the week of May 14, 2025. One concern noted was poor ventilation and hot areas in the municipal garages. Air conditioning units have been purchased and installed.*

*The Administration site safety inspection report was received on May 21, 2025. There were no concerns.*

*Mr. Beppler reminded the Fire Department and Police to turn in second quarter reports.*

**NEW INCIDENTS OR NEAR MISS REPORTS**

*No new incidents or near miss accidents to report.*

**NEW BUSINESS**

*Mr. Beppler discussed the Drone the police department is housing. The Drone is owned by Cambria County and is for the SERT team. It will be utilized for a variety of purposes such as search and rescue operations, crime scene investigations, tactical support, etc. Four police officers have been certified to operate it. Mr. Meyers noted it may be used for Fire Department emergencies as well.*

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*Mr. Beppler noted that the township is waiting on signoff from Governor Shapiro on the approval of Christopher Guizio to be Emergency Management Coordinator. James Boring is certified and will be the Assistant EMC. Christopher Meyers is working on receiving his certification.*

***Safety concerns or Suggestions***

*There are no new safety concerns or suggestions.*

*Mr. Beppler reminded everyone that the annual Safety Committee certifications will be coming up soon.*

*The next meeting is June 18, 2025 at the municipal building at 11:00 a.m.*

*There being no further business, Mr. Lehmann moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Meyers. All in favor. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 11:16 a.m.*

*Respectfully submitted,  
Kimberly D. Staybrook  
Administrative Assistant  
Richland Township*