

MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING May 19, 2025 6:00PM Council Meeting

THE BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL SHALL BE CONDUCTED IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

1. Call to Order by presiding officer
Moment of silence, Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll Call (if quorum is not present, the meeting shall thereupon be Adjourned to a specific date by the majority vote of those present)
3. Review and approval of agenda.
4. Presentation
5. Citizen Correspondence/Personal Appeals - Agenda Items
6. Reports of Committees
7. Business Not Ready for Action or No Action Needed
8. Old Business
9. Introduction of Ordinances and Resolutions
10. Consent Agenda
11. New Business
12. Added Items
13. Citizen Correspondence/Personal Appeals - Non-Agenda Items
14. Added Items
15. Adjournment

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER BY PRESIDING OFFICER: Council President Robert Lewis

ITEM 2. ROLL CALL (Attendance)

<u>COUNCIL MEMBERS</u> <u>& MAYOR</u>	PRESENT	ABSENT	<u>OFFICERS</u>	PRESENT	ABSENT
LEWIS	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>			
JARRETT	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	Chief of Police	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
KARAFINSKI	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	Solicitor	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
LEARN	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	Engineer	<u> </u>	<u>X</u>
MOCCIA	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	DPW Foreman	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
TROIANI	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	Reporter(s)	<u>Susan Schwartz (PE)</u>	<u> </u>
WOZNIAK	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	Fire Chief	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
MAYOR BURKE	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	Code Enforcement	<u> </u>	<u>X</u>
Borough Manager	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>			

ITEM 3. REVIEW & APPROVE CURRENT AGENDA:

Discussion - Borough Manager noted items had been removed from previously published agenda.

Motion: Mr. Learn Second: Mr. Karafinski

All in favor, agenda approved.

ITEM 4. PRESENTATION: Robin Massina, Friends and Ferals - Ms. Massina provided update on Trap/Neuter/Release program in the Borough. Consideration for continued funding later in agenda.

ITEM 5. Citizen Correspondence / Personal Appeals - Agenda Items

- Diane George, 612 Butternut Street - Complaint regarding lack of enforcement on noise complaints.

ITEM 6. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

MAYOR: Mayor Tim Burke - Wished all candidates good luck in the next day's election.

ENGINEER: Quad 3

SOLICITOR: Attorney Frank Kepner

PERSONNEL: Tom Moccia, Nelson Learn, Jay Jarrett

LEGAL AND FINANCE: Tom Moccia, Nelson Learn, Jay Jarrett

PARKS AND RECREATION: Teresa Troiani, Ray Karafinski, Jay Jarrett - 2025 Summer Concert schedule provided. Borough Manager will attempt to schedule meeting for committee with Mr. David Chambers, regarding potential skate park, following the June 2, 2025 Meeting of Council.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: Greg Harkins, Jeri Wozniak, Teresa Troiani, Jay Jarrett

STREETS, PARKS, & BUILDINGS: Jack Kyttle - Borough Manager discussed potential for future requests to consider opening currently unopened streets as part of larger development projects. No action anticipated until at least later in the year.

FIRE AND WATER: Jeri Wozniak, Ray Karafinski, Bob Lewis

CODES, RECYCLING, & ORDINANCES: Nelson Learn, Tom Moccia, Ray Karafinski

SAFETY: Bob Lewis

POLICE: Chief Ken Strish - Reviewed monthly stats. Reviewing various options on vehicles. Update provided on Civil Service process.

FIRE: Chief Bill Coolbaugh - Clarification sought and provided on increase in allotments. Issue with transmission on new ladder truck; issue is covered by warranty, but will be out of service. Old ladder truck being put back in service in the interim.

BAJSA REPORT: See Report

ITEM 7. BUSINESS NOT READY FOR ACTION:

1. Paper Alley Vacation Requests - Borough Manager explained requests, will draft ordinances to consider advertising at next meeting.
2. Police Accreditation - Chief Strish provided an explanation on the process. Will discuss further at a future meeting, giving Council more time to review.

ITEM 8. OLD BUSINESS:

None

ITEM 9. APPROVAL OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

None

ITEM 10. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consider and take action to approve all items on the Consent Agenda, as follows:
 - a. Approve the minutes of the May 5, 2025 Meeting of Council
 - b. Approve payment of the May 2025 bill listing
 - c. Approve request for a street closure on the 1200 block of First Avenue on June 14, 2025

Discussion: Clarification provided on item (c).

Motion: Ms. Wozniak Second: Ms. Troiani ☒ Approved, ☐
Denied, ☐ Tabled

All in favor, consent agenda approved.

ITEM 11. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider and take action to set funding restrictions for 2025 stray cat management as follows: Allow Robin Massina/Friends and Ferals access to budgeted funds.

Discussion: Conversation on whether full amount was needed. Borough Manager confirmed that anything agreed to here would only apply to 2025, as Council would have the ability to set budget amounts for future years. Borough Manager also noted that Council could choose to end funding at any point mid-year, if deemed necessary.

Motion: Mr. Learn Second: Mr. Jarrett ☒ Approved, ☐
Denied, ☐ Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

2. Consider and take action to authorize Borough Manager to grant requests for temporary closures to non-PennDOT streets for events.
Discussion: Borough Manager noted that this had previously gone through Safety Committee, who kicked it back to full Council. Borough Manager noted that he was fine giving authorization, just wanted an action item from Council granting the authority.

Motion: Mr. Jarrett Second: Ms. Troiani ☒ Approved,
☐ Denied, ☐ Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

ITEM 12. ADDED ITEMS

None

ITEM 13. Citizen Correspondence / Personal Appeals - Non-Agenda Items

- Councilperson Wozniak - Question on Agape accounting for homelessness response funds. Borough Manager apologized for not having sent out documentation on this, will do so.

***Council adjourned to executive session to discuss specific administrative personnel, with a note that Council may take action following the completion of the executive session.**

***Council reconvened following executive session.**

ITEM 14. ADDED ITEMS

1. Consider and take action to eliminate the police department administrative assistant position, held by Paul Zavislak, effective immediately.

Discussion: None

Motion: Mr. Moccia Second: Mr. Karafinski ☒ Approved,
☐ Denied, ☐ Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

ITEM 15. ADJOURNMENT: Motion: Mr. Jarrett Second: Ms. Troiani

Meeting adjourned.