

**BOROUGH OF WINDBER**  
**Borough Council Meeting**  
**Monday, July 14, 2025**  
**7:00 p.m.**

The Regular Meeting of Windber Borough Council was called to order by Windber Borough Council President, Richard Rummel, at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

The following council members were present: Brian Bahorik, Greg Klonicke, Pete LaMonaca, Dr. Doug Ledney, Herb Moore, and Rich Rummel. Joe Pallo was absent. Attorney Joseph Green, Manager Ron Allison and Mayor Michael Thomas were present.

**Approval  
Minutes**

A motion was made by Mr. LaMonaca and seconded by Mr. Bahorik to approve the minutes of June 9, 2025. Remarks: Mr. Moore said he had made a motion at the last meeting regarding the taxes and he had reasons and the motion failed. He told Dr. Ledney he had documentation and Dr. Ledney said he would like to see it. He presented two packets one to Dr. Ledney and one to Rich Rummel. Mr. Moore said he was sorry he didn't have enough for everyone because of the expense. He said if the people who did not get a packet have questions, they can contact him.

Mr. Moore said that for about the third or four time he has mentioned this when he says something at the meeting some of it is left out and he wants people to read the minutes about what he is saying and this shouldn't happen. Mr. Rummel said we also have the right to make sure there is no definition of character or misrepresentation of council towards the public. Mr. Moore said he is not trying to misrepresent council but just wants what he says in it. Manager Allison asked him what he is missing? Mr. Moore said we were talking about the shed and signing a contract and he made a statement about why we didn't ask them to give it to us and it wasn't in here. Another thing he brought up about the taxes, about getting these people on section eight to pay taxes and we agreed that we should look into that and why the landlords do not provide that information. There was one absent, Mr. Pallo. Motion carried.

**Visitors**

Dave Maddy asked for a letter regarding whether his work issue can go through. Manager Allison said he will not be issuing Mr. Maddy any sort of paperwork. The work taking place is on his property and he went to his property with the engineer and evaluated the situation. What he proposed as far as tying into what is existing on his property the borough is not contesting any of that.

**Dave  
Maddy**

Manager Allison told Mr. Maddy that he can not expand the system. Engineer Mick Ferrante said they looked down further and there is a catch basin at the next property over. It is apparent that the railroad bed was designed to be a drainage swell and that is the catch basin at the end. It is not working effectively now due to debris that should be cleaned out. There are a couple crossways across the railroad tracks that were installed and who knows when that was done. It must have worked in the past. Mr. Ferrante said the borough manager and himself discussed that Mr. Maddy can replace what is there but if you want to change the system it has to be evaluated the whole way down.

Mr. Maddy said you can't take it all to one place you have to divide it up and there is too much water for one culvert and that is will just tie one in and add a clean out box.

Mr. Ferrante said as long as you do not impede the catch basin going on to Somerset Avenue. Manager Allison said what happens on the private end of the agreement with you and your neighbor we are out of it.

**Ed  
Marcinko**

Mr. Marcinko said he will be brief and will focus on Item #9 regarding ATV's, UTV's, and golf carts. He said he is reiterating on a past conversation and he is hoping the borough will keep it a no. He said the only real big winner on this will be Sheetz for gas. Are they a Windber Business yes but they are a corporate headquarters.

The businesses in Windber that might benefit from people stopping in would be minimal such as purchasing food.

The other side of the coin on that would be the headache and aggravation that it would cause the property owners and the landowners as far as the ATV's going through the properties and over the properties all hours of the night which he currently experiences. Other members here probably do as well. You have no way of enforcing it. Local police can't do it. They can not catch them or go into the areas they go into. The group that was supposed to be designated to enforce it they are not around here and will not be in the area to enforce it or any of the laws to go along with that.

Mr. Marcinko said if you open Windber up to that you will create a lot of headaches for a lot of people. He is hoping if it goes to a vote, you will realize that it will create a lot more problems than it is worth.

**Todd  
Koehler**

Mr. Koehler had no comment at this time.

**Robert  
Chippie**

Mr. Chippie said he is here to specify what is going behind the railroad tracks behind his house 2009 Somerset Avenue across from Victoria Beer Distributor. They pulled the rails out and someone dumped a bunch of cement behind the swells there and from what he was told the water backed up and was creating a problem of the opposite direction of which way the water should flow, going the wrong way.

Mr. Chippie said he came here to let you all know the cement pipe in the original design was for the cement pipe to run under the railroad tracks in the swell dug, along side the alley to a culvert. The borough has maintained that over the years and then the neighbor behind him dug and put a pipe in and installed a culvert. He does not think he had any engineering drawings or anything. At some point the borough came and stopped him from doing that. That is when the problem further on down started. He came to make sure everyone was aware of what is going on. Ninety percent of the problems now came from Mr. Maddy and what he was doing when the borough stopped him.

**Discussion**

**Comr. Brian  
Fochtman**

Commissioner Fochtman said he was here to talk to council about what they are doing as far as the county goes. What they are looking to do with a couple ATV trails. PennDot revised

some of their codes in early May. What that allowed, is it allowed boroughs and townships, to seek approval from them to use their roadways. It kind of changed the game. Before it was each individual township or borough could say hey you can use township roads to ride ATV's or you can use borough roads. The county has no roads. They are at the mercy of you guys and the townships to do anything.

PennDot stepped up, they saw that there was a need. Commissioner Fochtman spoke with Robert Pento from Harrisburg who came to the county and spoke about an ATV trail. We know people are doing it and we want to give people the ability to do it as safely as they can. This was PennDOT's first step by saying hey if you need to use some of our roads as connectors, and if we think it is safe we will give you that permission.

PennDot has not filed those forms yet but they have started a task force and Commissioner Fochtman requested to be put on that task force and he was. They have only had one meeting so far and basically a few things that came out of that was we need to come up with a standard form to make the request, and two we probably need to make the task force a little larger.

Commissioner Fochtman said what they are doing at the southern end of the county they are involving four townships and three boroughs. Greenville Township, Larimer Township, Summit Township and Elk Lick Township. All more rural than what we have here. The boroughs are Salisbury Borough, Garrett Borough, and Meyersdale Borough.

Commissioner Fochtman showed council a map and he said basically the green areas are townships that are going to be involved. The red and the pink roadways, the pink are township roads and the red are state roads where we are going to ask PennDot to use them as connectors. In total the route that is mapped out is about 50 miles. What it will do is allow people to utilize the roads to get into the boroughs to entertain businesses in those three boroughs.

Commissioner Fochtman said they are definitely in the beginning stages of this and our next plan is to start a loop up north. The northern part where ATVs are already allowed to ride in are Stonycreek, Shade, Ogle, and Paint Township. We have a basic beginner map with them and this is where we want to get together with the boroughs and the townships because they know what roads would be best to do this on, so we leave that up to the township supervisors and borough councils. One route may be more heavily traveled than another.

Commissioner Fochtman said this is what we are doing as a county. He himself rides side by sides and it is his way to get out and enjoy nature. He has been down to the Hatfield and McCoy trails in West Virginia, he's been to Northcentral Regional ATV in Potter and Tioga County. That system in Potter and Tioga County is really where he got the idea for this. That system up there is state forest, township roads, and state roads. He looked at that and thought how can we do something similar that is economic development in Somerset County with the least investment on our part. Let's get a route through the southern end of the county and some day be able to connect both north and south.

Commissioner Fochtman said in throwing a number out here in Logan County West Virginia which must be one of the largest trails in the Hatfield/McCory system brought in 68.1 million

dollars in one year. The system in Potter/Tioga County brought in 8 million dollars in their second year into their economy and the third year brought in 11 million. So, it is there.

Commissioner Fochtman said this is going to bring in people. It is not a cheap way to entertainment. Low balling it you will need a \$50,000 pick up with a \$5,000 trailer to haul a \$20,000 machine. These people have money and are willing to spend it because not a lot of people have places to ride. Example: Berlin Borough, Commissioner Fochtman lives in a township south of Berlin Borough. His friend owns White Horse Brewing in Berlin; they have trivia night and one night they decide to go and he pulls in the parking lot and there are 80 side by sides sitting in the parking lot. This is what he is talking about, people coming in. Once he goes inside, he runs into a buddy of his from Bedford County and he asks him what he is doing here and he tells him they brought the buggies here, they come up over Shaffer Mountain into Shade Township through Stonycreek into Berlin Borough. He said there are probably another 16 buggies out at East End eating. He asked them why they come up here and they said they do not have anywhere to ride in Bedford County.

Commissioner Fochtman said the problems we are going to have with this is our local people. People who come here drive two to three hours to ride. They appreciate the fact they are able to ride. He said he is just here to provide information and after this meeting you have my number if you have any further questions.

Mr. Rummel asked if anyone had any questions? Mr. Rummel said he was also at Hatfield and McCoy and he likes it down there. Friends of his were down there recently and they went to an American Legion. They walked in there and everyone greeted them asking where they were from. They asked the local patrons there what they thought about the side by sides coming here. They said it is good and bad, more people coming here but they also like their little town, quiet town. They also said that if they had not opened up the trail system and had all these visitors come to the trail area this legion would be closed. Visitors are what keep the legion open along with other restaurants and hotels and etc. Mr. Rummel said he has been down there and he sees it how much money is spent.

Mr. Rummel said personally he is for it and we are not talking about opening up all of Windber Borough and everything but what the county is looking at is a connector from one township to another to another. We are not talking about opening up every street or road in Windber Borough. We will go down that road and discuss that later. He wants everyone to have an open mind about it. Paint Township and Ogle Township are open to it and Paint Borough. For Paint Borough to go out to Paint Township or Ogle Township they have to go all the way around Windber to do it. Some break the law and buzz through it at a high rate of speed because they do not want to get caught. If it is legal and we can have a way through Windber. PennDot says submit a waiver and we will try to approve it.

Mr. Rummel said just like any Harley ride that goes through town that is rumbling or roaring and he has a Harley and sometimes he goes home at 2 a.m. in the morning. He knows a Harley is a lot louder than a side by side. If we go down this route there are ordinances and other municipalities are to 11 and some to 10 at night. If we go that route we will agree to a time. It is not all hours of the night and it is not all over Windber maybe Graham Avenue or Somerset Avenue.

Commissioner Fochtman told council to talk to Berlin Borough and see what the pros and the cons are. He has heard nothing but good things. Berlin Brothers Borough is the island in the middle of Brother Valley Township where you are allowed to ride. He owns a gym in Berlin Borough so if he wants to drive his side by side to his gym, he is illegal the whole way until he gets to Berlin Borough. He said so talk to those guys. Meyersdale, he believes has had nothing but positive from it also. He said he used to be Chief of Police in Berlin and is still friends with those guys and he asked them how it was? They said honestly activity has increased, speed has decreased and obedience to traffic control has increased, you're not looking over your shoulder anymore you're not worrying about getting from point A to point B as quickly anymore.

Todd Koehler from Paint Township said that once they passed it for ATVs and side by sides to ride on the roads everyone has slowed down. He said he has also been too West Virginia and we are probably 20 years too late doing what we are trying to do.

Commissioner Fochtman said he is currently speaking with representatives from West Virginia and from Maryland and their ultimate vision is a national trail. They want to ride up the spine of the Appalachian from Northern Alabama to Southern New York. If we are the first people to get on this the gateway to the north, it is going to be Somerset County. So maybe we will be those 68.1 million dollars like Logan County, West Virginia.

Chief Frear said obviously it will be a little bit of a pain, like you said the biggest problem will be with the people. Face reality where do you want to go, it's to the bars. He is not saying that a group of side by sides are not stopping to get something to eat while they are here. He gets those scenarios. The things he does not like about the side by sides and (he has one) is lack of turn signals on the vehicle and two, most people do not fix their plates to the vehicle because they do not want to lose them. Those are used to identify the vehicle.

Commissioner Fochtman said you need to incorporate that into your ordinance. If you are going to ride you have a plate displayed. Chief Frear said most other communities do not have the main truck traffic that we have during the day. He said electric scooters for example; today one was followed going 40 mph and there are no regulations on them. He said a reader will not pick up on a tag. Commissioner Fochtman said you would only be pulling them over if there was a violation and you would have their information. Chief Frear agreed saying these were some of his concerns and things he would want to see in place if this would happen.

Commissioner Fochtman said the ordinances have pretty much been stating the streets they are allowed on and the times they are allowed on them. Most municipalities have been copying off of one another.

Manager Allison said we really have to watch and try to prevent them from running through our residential neighborhoods. Come in hit the business areas and do what you need to do and go. That is what we need to look at the most preventing negative impacts on the residents of the borough.

Commissioner Fochtman said Berlin Borough did everything but main street. They pushed all their traffic onto the side streets. Manager Allison said that is exactly the opposite of what he wants to do. Commissioner Fochtman said exactly because their main streets are 219 and

160. Now with PennDot doing this they can petition PennDot to use 160 for example from this time to that time. Manager Allison said he thinks you were already allowed to cross 160. Mr. Fochtman said if you take Hays Mill Road out and hit 160 then he has to ride another tenth of a mile to catch another township road and this is what this is designed for. Manager Allison said we want to get them into the business district and get them out.

Question asked where are they putting the trail in our area. Commissioner Fochtman said what we are talking about right now is just our thoughts. Eventually he wants a north-south route. Mr. Maddy asked if they would be going through private property? Commissioner Fochtman said that would be step 2 if we approach a private property owner that for example owns 100 acres with part of it across the mountain and the property owner might allow utilizing part of it.

Mr. Rummel asked council if they wanted Attorney Green to draft an ordinance and then we can look at it. Attorney Green said right now there is no state money. He has seen a draft of the highway application and it looks like it is going to be a monster. There has to be engineering and traffic studies. Mr. LaMonaca asked if this is going to cost a lot of money for the borough? Attorney Green said there is a possibility unless you find some state funding and there is not any in place right now.

Manager Allison asked if the borough would have to fund that study? Commissioner Fochtman said he looks for that to change. Mr. Rummel said his understanding is if you submit the waiver for let's say roads county wide as one packet then we are good but if the borough doesn't jump on board? Commissioner Fochtman said Berlin Borough did not have to do any studies. The initial thing was set up by the Secretary of the Department of Transportation. If they want to act on this, they are not going to make it so difficult that you can't. That is your rough draft right there.

Question was the studies not already done? Attorney Green said his understanding after talking to the senator PennDot is going to have to do the studies as it equates to ATVs or UTVs. He does not think PennDot will do it for free. That is the question how much is it going to cost this borough. Commissioner Fochtman told them to talk to the municipalities that have already opened up their roads. Perhaps if we were going after the state roads there would be a study.

Mr. Rummel said he wants to start investigating it including golf carts. Chief Frear said electric golf carts are at 25 mph and insurance and other things necessary are allowed. The gas ones have not followed as of yet. Mr. Moore asked if the golf carts need flood lights. Mr. Rummel said they are only for day light hours. Commissioner Fochtman told council that if they need anything or have any further questions to contact him. Mr. Rummel thanked him.

## **Correspondence**

1. Newsletter from Conemaugh Valley Conservancy.
2. Windber Municipal Authority Minutes of April 8, 2025.
3. PSAB Update.
4. Windber Area Authority Minutes of May 14, 2025.
5. Copy of Windber Area Authority 2024 Audit.

**Approval  
Bills**

A motion was made by Mr. LaMonaca and seconded by Mr. Bahorik to approve the bills for June 2025. Remarks: Mr. Moore asked about the bill from Ehrlich Pest Maintenance. He said he thought we sent someone for training for this. Manager Allison said no, we sent someone to a course to be able to spray weeds. MacLaughlin Pest Control does the Ballroom.

Mr. Moore asked about the invoice for WJAC TV for \$1,200. It seems high to him. Manager Allison said we set aside money last year for marketing. Mr. Moore asked about Soundtrack Music for \$57.24. Manager Allison said he will have to get him an answer next week.

Mr. Moore said an event photographer was paid \$250. Manager Allison said there were two ballroom events for the Windber Area School District seniors that Alexis did when she started here. Mr. Moore said we need to save money. Manager Allison said at the same time we need to promote things too. Manager Allison said Windber Municipal Authority just did the same thing they approved \$3,500 for marketing with WJAC. We are not the only one spending money to make money.

Mr. Moore asked why the name was changed from Event Coordinator to Executive Director. Manager Allison said we needed someone with more authority to do things. Mr. Rummel said we discussed that. Mr. Moore said he thought it was due to the union.

Mr. Klonicke said the on the agenda we are approving a part-time event coordinator, wasn't that Montana Stopko. Manager Allison said that is a personnel issue and for executive session. He said the other one left and we needed another person. One absent, Mr. Pallo, motion carried.

**Approval  
Payroll**

A motion was made by Mr. LaMonaca and seconded by Mr. Klonicke to approve payroll for June 13 and 27, 2025. One absent, Mr. Pallo, motion carried.

**Engineer Report**

1. PENNVEST Sewer Project
  - a. Act 537 Plan Update
    - i. Need council approval to advertise
    - ii. Final draft prepared
  - b. Uniform Environmental Review
    - i. Working on alignment needed for environmental fieldwork and report
  - c. Preliminary field work is completed
  - d. Schedule:
    - i. Summer 2025: Complete Survey; Begin Preliminary Design
    - ii. July 2026: PENNVEST Submission (Tentative)
  - e. Rules & Regulations
2. 2025 PA DCED Multimodal Transportation Fund (MTF) Program
  - a. Graham Avenue Light Pole Replacement Project
    - i. Resolution needed to apply.
    - ii. Can request 30% match requirement be waived.
    - iii. Application due by July 31, 2025; \$100 Application fee.
3. 2025 PA DCED Small Water & Sewer Program

- a. 27<sup>th</sup> Street Stormwater Culvert Replacement Project submitted
    - i. SCRA - Matching Funds Commitment of 20% (15% min. required)
- 4. 2024 LSAS Grant Application
  - a. Submitted 27<sup>th</sup> Street Stormwater Culvert Replacement Project.
- 5. 24<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge Project
  - a. Construction planned for 2025.
- 6. 22<sup>nd</sup> Street Bridge Project
  - a. Let date is February 12, 2026; Construction planned for 2026.
- 7. Dollar General
  - a. Last heard was Somerset Redevelopment Authority received grant money for “Brown Field Studies” Location of the new Dollar Store was one of those sites. That work was completed and last heard was Dollar General were working with PennDot.

**Cash Bal./  
Treasurer  
Report**

Mr. Moore said on the treasurer’s report last year we had a carry-over balance this one he does not see that listed. It was number 100.101 and now there is a 350.100 Intergovernmental is that the same thing. Manager Allison said he could not answer that without Robin here. Mr. Rummel said we will discuss this next meeting.

Mr. Moore said on the ballroom account we budgeted \$28,000 for the other event coordinator and now we have one for \$55,000, should we have to re-budget that. Mr. Rummel said we talked about that at the last meeting in executive session and we can discuss that in executive session.

**Council Liaisons**

**Ledney/  
WAA**

The Water Authority is going to begin working on the million-dollar updates to the sewer plant. It should begin next week. Mr. Rummel asked if that was the one to turn into fertilizer and stuff like that. Dr. Ledney said it could be that they are doing some things of that nature other than throwing away waste, they are looking at other options.

**Rummel/  
Library**

They paved up there and it looks nice other than that business as usual.

**Bahorik/  
Fire**

Mr. Bahorik said the ladder truck is up for sale for \$675,000. Mr. Rummel said we have been in constant communication with the fire department and it is better than it was.

**Mayor’s  
Report**

Mayor Thomas participated in the Miner's Day opening ceremony on Saturday June 14th, and was honored to give the opening, welcome address. He also participated in the Miner's Memorial Day Weekend parade.

Mayor Thomas and Council President Rummel attended the Somerset County Borough’s Association meeting. The dinner meeting was held at Traditions Event Center in Meyersdale. The speaker was from Aspire Grant writing.

On June 25th, Mayor Thomas received an email from Ted Donald, Developer for Dollar General Stores. He was asking for some help. At that time, they hadn't received the environmental study for the Windber store construction. After several phone calls and emails, it was found the engineer from EADS in Altoona had this report and it was not submitted. The problem was taken care of and the process is moving forward. He would like to thank Manager Allison, and Mick Ferrante our representative from EADS for looking into the situation and getting the problem solved.

**Manager's Report**

**Public Works-** 16 PA One Calls, continued mowing in preparation of the levee inspection on July 17, 2025. Assisted in the cleaning of the Pickleball Court. Road subsidence and pipe repair on 29<sup>th</sup> St., patching on Stadium Terrace and catch basin repairs in the same area.

**Ballroom-** Had general maintenance of the mechanical and heating systems. There was a skunk that had to be trapped out. Smell seems to have dissipated

**Paving Project-** Area behind the Arcadia Theater (alley) is in very bad condition with pot holes. We continue to patch and it does not hold. It is a high traffic area and with the approval of council I would like to use the funds set aside to begin paving it. I have sent out for estimates. I hope to have this prepared for August meeting.

**Case Loader-** I have obtained a quote of \$99k for a replacement of the machine. Ours is coming to the end of its service life. Future increases on the same machine are \$30k. I'm bringing this to council's attention now, as I work with the budget and if I can find a responsible way to purchase this now before the price increase hits, we will save that \$30k. I have reached out for a quote on a municipal loan. I have 60 days that the amount will be held on that machine. So, a vote will be necessary in the August meeting to proceed on a purchase. The old machine will not bring more than \$13k on a trade. I'd prefer keeping it for the yard and loading salt to save on the new one. If we continue running this one the way we currently are, it could without warning go down.

**24<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge Project-** The project is underway and no changes or problems have been noted.

**PA Code's Alliance Report**

Mr. Rummel said it is a pretty big report this time. He has been busy which is good.

**Ballroom Report review**

Alexis Angelo, Executive Director of the Windber Borough Ballroom said council has a copy of her report it is nine to ten pages and will give you a look at the financial

of where we are at as to the business we have currently and what we are projecting to bring in. Also in front of council is a blue folder and a white folder. The blue folder is a business folder that we will present to various businesses and we did just join the Chamber of Commerce. These are types of presentations that she will make when she meets with various community leaders.

Ms. Angelo said the white folders are for our wedding packages. We revised our prices and she is very comfortable with what they are and we have had many bookings under

these prices. What is important to go along with, this she is going to have some balls at the ballroom and there will be family events. Events will take place on Saturdays from 10 to 12 for families and in the evening there will be an event for adults. We have addressed the liquor liability and will try not to have liquor at the family events and a BYOB at the adult events. The events are really to create community awareness. The first ball is the Beach Ball, Fall Ball, Pumpkin Ball, Thanksgiving and Christmas Ball. If we have sponsors, we will go forward with those. If not, we will postpone them until next year.

Ms. Angelo said going forward she thinks it is very important to have an endowment fund and a sustaining fund. A sustaining fund will help us for special events, and it is at our disposal and will lessen the strain on the budget.

The endowment creates a legacy and lets us allow the ballroom to limit gratuity with the funds we have. She invited council to pledge something to the endowment, and something to the sustaining fund. She said she is going to be the first person to pledge and will be pledge \$30. \$10 to the endowment, \$10 to the sustaining fund and \$10 to the ball sponsorship.

Ms. Angelo said we absolutely need this money we need to keep it to operate it. The ballroom is a beautiful place, a grand lady and she is so excited to be there and create that and to grow it, as she is with you.

Ms. Angelo asked council to review the report and see what is there and come up to the ballroom. We had a lady's luncheon today which was very successful and we will most likely have a conference come from that. We are open for exciting events and wonderful things. She asked council if they had any questions.

Mr. Moore said he sees that she is working very hard. He asked her if she worked in other places? Ms. Angelo said she has. Mr. Moore asked her if she had an assistant where she worked before? Ms. Angelo said yes, she had an assistant and a staff. He asked her if she needs an assistant here. She said yes, she does. The girl we had is no longer here and we need someone 15 hours a week to stuff envelopes and do hospitality. It is 15 hours a week and she definitely needs her because she cannot do it all. The vision we have that she is putting in place in front of you, she does need some help. Honestly a full-time facilities person a full-time person and a part-time person is what we should have.

Ms. Angelo said we have one gentleman up there a high school student that does all the maintenance. She helps too, but you need an executive director like herself with years and years of experience to come in and create this and keep it going. When she came in, she saw things that needed to be done. There were contracts that needed to be signed for events taking place in a week or two. You need someone that is seasoned, and qualified. Ms. Angelo said she was just offered a position at the Ritz Carlton in Naples that is the *crème de le crème*. That is because they know who I am and what I have done.

Mr. Moore said we are taking money out of the general fund to support this and we are losing money every month. He said you are trying to get it going and he hopes it goes

and he supports her 100% but we can't spend a lot more money when we were losing money before and we are lowering prices he doesn't know how we are going to make it. Ms. Angelo said she can adjust that. Mr. Moore said Ms. Angelo's salary almost doubled the one before her. Ms. Angelo said she is an executive professional the one before was just part-time. She said if it is not her you need a full-time executive director to oversee that. Ron is only here two days a week and Robin is here. You need a full-time professional to oversee things and do things. We have to get out of deficit to make money at anything, she is walking into deficit and if you look at what she brought in, in short amount of time covered that deficit.

Mr. Rummel agreed she is working very hard, pounding the street and making calls. Mr. Bahorik said he thinks she is doing a great job. Ms. Angelo said they also increased the bartending and added a \$50 administrative fee. We have a \$200 non-refundable deposit to cover our maintenance. She loves the prices and they took a month to make the change but she wanted something affordable and fair.

Ms. Angelo said her first year she is talking to the hospital and local businesses about sponsorships. The second year here she wants to go national and the second year go international. She wants to see conferences here and business meetings here but she has to start slow on solid ground. We may go with this for a while and that is what the endowment fund is for and the sustaining fund.

**For the  
Fallen**

A motion was made by Mr. Bahorik and seconded by Dr. Ledney to approve the 20th annual motorcycle run August 1 & 2, 2025 and to close off Graham Avenue from Jefferson Avenue to 16<sup>th</sup> Street. Remarks; Mr. Rummel said this is the first time they will hold a two-day event. It is supposed to be the last one. Mr. Pallo, absent, motion carried.

**Multimodal  
Resolution**

A motion was made by Dr. Ledney and seconded by Mr. LaMonaca to approve Resolution No 2025-4 to apply for DCED Multimodal Transportation Grant in the amount of \$373,230.00. One absent, Mr. Pallo, motion carried.

**Pickleball  
Court**

A motion was made by Mr. Bahorik and seconded by Mr. LaMonaca to pay CD Power Washing from Capital Improvement Fund in the amount of \$954.00 for pressure washing the pickleball court. Remarks; Mr. Moore said he thought the Fire Department was going to help. Manager Allison said they provided water but the substance on the court took a special chemical and longer cleaning time to remove. Roll call vote: Mr. Bahorik, yes; Mr. LaMonaca, yes; Mr. Klonicke, yes; Dr. Ledney, yes; Mr. Moore, yes; Mr. Pallo, absent; and Mr. Rummel, yes. Motion carried.

**Ordinance  
2025-2**

A motion was made by Mr. LaMonaca and seconded by Mr. Bahorik to approve Ordinance No. 2025-2 establishing a 22<sup>nd</sup> Street Extension to connect 22<sup>nd</sup> Street and Stadium Drive. Roll call vote: Mr. LaMonaca, yes; Mr. Bahorik, yes; Mr. Klonicke, yes; Dr. Ledney, yes; Mr. Moore, yes; Mr. Pallo, absent; and Mr. Rummel, yes. Motion carried.

**Ordinance  
2025-3**

Mr. Rummel said this is the 511 taxes and there are exemptions on these such as Clergy, retirement and, etc. There were a few on there that are outdated and will be removed

by this amendment. A motion was made by Mr. LaMonaca and seconded by Mr. Bahorik to approve to advertise Ordinance No. 2025-3 amending exemptions for per capita tax and occupation tax. One absent, Mr. Pallo, motion carried.

**Keystone Collections** Mr. Rummel said Keystone Collections will be collecting the per capita and occupation taxes beginning January 1, 2026. Remarks; Mr. Moore asked if Karen Wozniak will no longer collect these taxes. Manager Allison said no, she used to but the county is no longer printing the per capita and occupational taxes. We did discuss this with Karen and she was fine with it and Keystone Collections is pretty good about getting the taxes paid. One absent, Mr. Pallo, motion carried.

**Act 537 Plan** A motion was made by Mr. LaMonaca and seconded by Mr. Bahorik to approve advertising the Act 537 plan. Remarks; Mr. Moore asked what this was? Manager Allison said it is a sewer update. Has to do with the PennVest Plan. One absent, Mr. Pallo, motion carried.

**Windber Church Block Party** A motion was made by Dr. Ledney and seconded by Mr. Bahorik to approve the Windber Community Church to block the alley between Graham Avenue and Somerset Avenue at 19<sup>th</sup> Street for a Carnival for Christ Event. One absent, Mr. Pallo, motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Moore and seconded by Mr. LaMonaca for council to convene to an executive session at 8:15 p.m. for personnel matters. One absent, Mr. Pallo, motion carried.

Council President Richard Rummel reconvened council from an executive session at 8:56 p.m.

**Assistant Event Coordinator** A motion was made by Mr. Bahorik and seconded by Mr. Klonicke to approve RoseAnn Barber as a part-time Assistant Event Coordinator. Roll call vote: Mr. Bahorik, yes; Mr. Klonicke, yes; Mr. LaMonaca, yes; Dr. Ledney, yes; Mr. Moore, no; Mr. Pallo, absent; Mr. Rummel, yes. Motion carried.

**Next Meeting** Next council meeting will be August 11, 2025 at 7 p.m.

**Adjourn** Motion was made by Mr. LaMONaca and seconded by Dr. Ledney to adjourn meeting. Mr. Pallo, absent, meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted By:

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