

June 10, 2025

A Meeting of the Council of the Borough of Minersville was held June 10, 2025. Chairman Joe Slovick opened the meeting with The Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance:

The following Council members attended the June 10, 2025 meeting: Mrs. Donna Palmer, Mr. Jeff Enders, Mrs. Amelia Hopkins, Mr. Joe Slovick, Mr. Justin Frantz, Mr. Jamie Kuehn, Mayor Palmer, Solicitor, Police Chief Bowers and Borough Manager Mark Dasch.

Councilman Enders congratulated Police Chief Bowers on being named coach of the Pottsville Area Girls Softball Team.

Citizens' Comments: Resident Teresa Smith stated the potholes on Carbon Street need to be filled in again. Manager Dasch stated they would look at it.

Approval of Minutes: Mr. Enders made a motion to approve the minutes from the May meeting. Mr. Frantz seconded the motion. The motion passed as presented.

Approval of Bills: Mr. Kuehn made a motion to approve the bills to be paid. Mr. Enders seconded the motion. The motion passed as presented.

Approval of Officers' Reports: Mr. Frantz made a motion to approve the reports. Mr. Enders seconded the motion. The motion passed as presented.

Communications: The Mountaineer Hose Co. boot drive on June 27 from 4-7 was approved.

A letter of support of the Historical Society will be sent to the Charles Degenstein Foundation supporting the Historical Society securing grants.

Mr. Kuehn made a motion, second by Mr. Enders to grant permission to The Church of the Broken pieces to close Lewis Street from Front to Peach Street on July 19 from 8:30am to 6pm. The motion passed as presented.

A thank you note was received from the Aavidum Club for supporting them with a donation from our Flower Fund.

New Business: Mrs. Palmer made a motion, second by Mr. Frantz to amend the contract with Valley Waste to change the Monday Holiday collection, which will impact Labor Day 2025. The motion passed as presented.

Mrs. Palmer made a motion, second by Mr. Enders to remove Jen Laudeman at the Borough Tax Committee Alternate and approve Brittany Doyle. The motion passed as presented.

Mr. Enders made a motion, second by Mr. Frantz to approve basketball court improvements and equipment with the Street Department doing the installation. The motion passed as presented.

Old Business: The USDA is looking at the feasibility of the design of the Globe Hall Renovation and the environmental review for the Building Loan financing.

Mr. Dasch stated the sale of 610 Sunbury Street was formalized.

Mr. Dasch reported on paving for 2025. He reported the Sewer Department employees have completed a form for inlets saving approximately \$700 per inlet. Inlets on Teaberry Hill have been replaced. Mr. Enders stated he proposed that idea years ago but it was never done.

Mr. Dasch stated he is awaiting approval from the County to demolish 50-52 Westwood Street.

Council Reports

Mr. Dasch stated work on the 2026 budget would begin. Mr. Dasch had updates on all committees with future plans for street and curb markings, food at the concession stand at the pool, replacing the rusted fencing at the playground and Little League field and research on the Landlord code violation to name a few.

Mr. Enders stated the lack of fencing on Westwood Street is a liability. Chief Bowers asked on updates for the River Street Wall.

Community Updates

Mr. Kuehn stated the Community Newsletter deadline is early July.

Mrs. Palmer made a motion to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria Capik, Secretary