

Meeting Minutes – June 15, 2026

Motion
Jenn
Sofia

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Linda Walinsky followed by Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present Linda Walinsky, Mike Pascuzzo, Jennifer Wannamaker, Sandra Renninger, Eric Prock and Steve Moyer. Absent Regina Sonon and Michelle Blankenhorn

There was no Citizen Participation at this time.

Minutes from the previous meeting were approved as written. Motion made by Jenn and seconded by Sofia. All ayes.

Municipal Bills to be paid report. No report

Requisitions. There were none.

Old Business

1. First reading of the Amended Dumpster Ordinance No. 012026 was completed with a motion made by Mike and seconded by Jenn
2. Traffic Calming.
 - a. Policy. Committee presented draft traffic calming policy to council. The policy was reviewed by Steve and Eric. Their comments were presented and reviewed. The suggestion was made by Steve to send the updated policy to LTAP to review. The new draft policy will be presented at the July meeting.
 - b. River Street. The special committee presented a temporary traffic calming plan for River Street. This will be a 90-day trial to begin in July. One way street on River Street going north from Pottsville Street. Speed limit reduction to 15 miles per hour. Residents will be notified and proper signage will be placed. A motion was made by Mike and seconded by Jenn to move forward.

New Business

1. Lisa Pascuzzo presented plans for the County's America 250 Parade and asked for reimbursement costs up to \$150 for supplies. Motion made by Jenn and seconded by Linda. Sofia and Mike abstained.
2. Girl Scouts Silver Award Project – Scouts presented their idea for signage and improvements to Community Garden. The scouts were only asking for

approval and not for any funding. Council approved their signage and will get Jessica, Scout Leader in touch with Public Works for placement.

3. Pool feasibility studies were due on 6/12/2026. Four submissions were made. Sofia was asked to be on the committee consisting of Josh Semanco from Blue Mtn Rec Commission, Regina, and Linda to review the reports and present the recommendation to council for the July meeting.
4. Walk Works Preplanning Grant- Mandy Fitzpatrick, Exec Director of Schuylkill Connects, attended meeting to explain the grant through the PA Dept of Health. The resolution was approved with a motion was made by Mike and seconded by Sofia.
5. Multimodal Grant through PA DCED was presented to Council by Linda. The deadline to submit grant is 7/30. Linda explained some of the projects that are eligible for this grant. Minimum grant amount \$100,000 with maximum of \$3M with 35 percent match. Sidewalks, crosswalks, etc. were discussed as potential needs. A motion was made by Mike and seconded by Sofia to move forward with grant effort. All ayes.
6. Street Sweeper – Pros and cons were discussed and based on additional costs and determining that this piece of equipment is not a priority at the moment, that this discussion is tabled for the moment.
7. E-Bike ordinance – Eric presented a draft copy to council for review. Council will review and discuss at the July meeting.
8. Junior Council – We have an interested HS student who would be interested in becoming a junior council member. Council discussed and is interested in moving forward with this project. A resolution will be presented for approval at July meeting.
9. Cressona 250 Block Party – July 18
 - a. Council reviewed and approved Security through Coal Region Consulting for 3 security guards, 8 hours, not to exceed \$1,500. Motion made by Mike and seconded by Sofia. All ayes.
 - b. South Schuylkill Publishing – mass mailing letter to residents informing them of the Block party, traffic delays and parking restrictions. Total cost \$840. Motion made Mike and seconded by Jenn. All ayes.
 - c. South Schuylkill Publishing to prepare programs for celebration. Total Cost \$295 for 500. Motion made by Mike and seconded by Jenn. All ayes.
10. PSAB Municipal Budgeting Class for Jesse Killian to attend, cost of \$150. Motion made by Sofia and seconded by Jenn. All ayes.

11. Public works presented three quotes for a needed Skid Steer. Council needs to review this information and make a decision on model to purchase, price purchase, and how to purchase.
12. Handicap parking space at 43 N. Fourth St was approved by a motion made by Sofia and seconded by Mike. All ayes.
13. Pedestrian Foot Bridge – LSA Grant extension was approved through June 2027. Fisher Welding indicated they would like to review the project and potentially present a bid. Mike will coordinate this effort and report back at July meeting.

Committee Reports

Mayor – None

Solicitor – None

Engineer – presented a full report to council. Council needs to review trash bid form and present any recommendations for revisions to SDE. Notice of property violations were reviewed.

Secretary – None

Cressona Cares – Thank you to SDE and Attorney Prock for t-shirt sponsorship. 42 signed up for splash dash, and 40 cars for show so far.

Finance/Property – None

Highway – Seal master demo 6/24 on Schuylkill Street. Signage for Firehouse. Need to contact Penn Dot to paint /block box in front of Fire House. Schuylkill Street paving is scheduled to be finished Tuesday. Savvy citizen app was sent to all council members to discuss in July

Recreation – Rec program started at Grove today.

Safety – Gate is never closed at Kaytee. A lot of traffic at 3:00 pm. They are applying for a special exception for pole building. Someone needs to talk to them about closing the gate to help control traffic.

Personnel- Interviewing for part time public works position

Code Enforcement – 17 properties for grass/weeds, 8 citations. Barking dog, moved basketball hoop.

Fire Chief – Answered 8 calls past month. Completed 8-hour training with both Cressona firehouse staff. Need light/signs in front of firehouse at Sillyman Street.

COG – May 28th meeting – Trick or Treat Night Saturday October 31, Rain date Sunday Nov 1.

Citizens Participation

Carolyn Brennan of Spruce St attended to report damage to her sidewalk by Garbage Truck. Mike Pontician indicated there was follow up on the issue. Eric asked her to save the footage of camera if needed.

Joe Oliver mentioned an incident near footbridge, someone living in weeds there and also at the Grove. State Police have been notified. Keep eyes open and report to PSP. He also commended the current fire officers for making the efforts to training both companies together as being a positive

There was a motion made by Mike and seconded by Jenn to go into Executive Session for Legal matter with no action to follow. All ayes.

There was a motion made by Mike and seconded by Jen to come out of Executive Session. All ayes.

7:39 pm – There was a motion to adjourn made by Mike and seconded by Sofia. All ayes

