

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Council President.

In attendance were: Mayor Bundra, Bodish, Dee, Grohotolsky, Hermany, Read, Santoroski, and Solicitor Preston

Kern was absent

Council President led pledge of allegiance.

Minutes from Regular Meeting Feb 10, 2026 & Workshop Meeting March 3, 2026 were approved as presented to council.

Hearing of persons present:

Terri Holderman reported her concern, on Wednesday she called Lehigh County dispatch and when the officers showed up and stated that they could no longer deal with loose dogs and they would make their way home. Owners posted on Fb and they eventually found them up at the Mobile Trailer park, the opposite direction of their home, her concern was that the Police department did not have microchip readers since the two dogs were microchipped. Mr. Hermany and Mr. Santoroski agreed that the Borough could look into purchasing a reader to assist. She also stated that she would like to see lines painted in the Social Hall parking lot to assist with traffic flow. Items will be addressed at next Emergency Services on Tuesday March 17<sup>th</sup> at 7PM.

Whitehall Area Chamber of Commerce -Chloe Kompasky & Hayden Rinde reported on their support for the local community with grants and main street grant. Anne Killeen voiced her concern about data centers and asked if Borough was aware. Borough solicitor reported that it isn't the Boroughs stance to form a resistance group against it. The borough planning committee has not even seen the plans so they can't speak about it. They will meet on March 24<sup>th</sup> to review the plans.

Correspondence – Aerobics requested to continue in the gym on Tuesdays and Thursdays, Train club requested to park trailer out back during the Ag hall show so they can unload their train equipment. Received estimate for property repair at social hall from pipe break.

Mayors Report: reported that he would like to name Tiffany as his Deputy Mayor, it is an unpaid position, just a name and it would just allow her to attend meetings in his place. He stated that he spoke with Jessica at the chamber to clarify information he was looking for and would update council as he gets answers.

Solicitors' Report: nothing to report

Reports of Officers and Standing committees:

Dee- Fire Department was having issues with ipads and our cell phone company has a trade in program and we will be replacing them.

Grohotolsky – reported they are waiting on insurance to continue repairs at Balliet from a pipe break, and the Batting cages are being put up next week.

Read- Nothing to report

Bodish- Nothing new from last week.

Hermany – reported Meetings for Both Recreation and Emergency Services are on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup> @ 7PM. Working on last band for lineup at Civic Plaza.

Santoroski – Stated the pickleball quote was updated.

New Business:

Motion by Hermany, second by Grohotolsky, to approve police, fire, health and building inspector reports.

All in favor 7; Opposed \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_\_\_ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Bodish, second by Dee, to approve February 2026 Treasurers report.

All in favor 7; Opposed \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_\_\_ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Bodish, second by Hermany, to approve all bills as submitted to members of council.

All in favor 7; Opposed \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_\_\_ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Hermany, second by Grohotolsky, to approve Lehigh County to use 165 Cherry Street for polling Facility on May 19, 2026 for Primary and November 3, 2026 for General Election.

All in favor 7; Opposed \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_\_\_ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Read, second by Hermany, to approve Juvenile Probation requesting use of gym: April 23<sup>rd</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> from 8-4pm, May 1<sup>st</sup>, from 8-4pm, September 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> from 8-4pm.

All in favor 7; Opposed \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_\_\_ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Hermany, second by Dee, to approve Coplay Sports to use Municipal Gym on March 22, 2026 at 1pm for baseball parents meeting.

All in favor 7; Opposed \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_\_\_ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Dee, second by Hermany, to approve Task 1 in the amount of \$9,750 for Acela to complete a traffic study on Chestnut Street to install a stop sign.

All in favor 7; Opposed \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_\_\_ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Grohotolsky, second by Bodish, to approve to waive the rental fee for PCFLV to use the Pavilion from September 17<sup>th</sup> through September 21<sup>st</sup> for their Annual Pediatric Cancer fund run to be held on September 19<sup>th</sup>.

All in favor 7; Opposed \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_\_\_ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Dee, second by Grohotolsky, to approve 40 Hours Compensatory time payout for Chief Ryan Emerich.

All in favor 6; Opposed 1 Bodish ; Abstain \_\_\_\_\_ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Hermany, second by Dee, to approve Sheila Yudt-Gower for Full time Police Secretary/Coordinator Position starting at \$20.50 per hour with a start date of March 11<sup>th</sup> pending all required paperwork is completed.

All in favor 7; Opposed \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_\_\_ **Carried/Denied**

Any other items for Discussion:

Next Meetings:

April 7, 2026 Workshop Meeting at 7PM

April 14, 2026 Regular Meeting at 7PM

Motion by Hermany, second by Dee, to adjourn meeting at 7:42 PM.

All in favor 7 Opposed \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_\_\_ Carried/Denied