

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

In attendance were: Mr. Bodish, Mr. Dee, Mr. Hermany, Mr. Kern, Mr. Santoroski, Mr. Read, Mayor Leiner and Solicitor Preston

Absent: Mr. Grohotolsky

Council President led pledge of allegiance.

Minutes from Regular Meeting June 9, 2026 & Workshop Meeting July 7, 2026 were approved as presented to council. All in favor 6; Opposed _____ Abstain _____ **Carried/Denied**

Hearing of persons present: None

Mayors Report: No Report

Solicitors Report: No Report

Reports of Officers and Standing committees:

Mr. Hermany: Pickleball courts are complete. Court gate is currently locked. Ms. Benson is reaching out to State Rep Nick Miller's office to be present for opening ceremony. Chamber of Commerce will be invited to participate in ribbon cutting. Borough will not be involved with leagues, that will be up to the community. Walkway to court should be cleaned up/repared and add seating. Pool is doing well. Pool manager is ill. Snack stand ice machine parts have been ordered. The band Deal Duo will play on Wednesday. Dean plans again to provide a cooler with cold water for patrons due to excessive heat.

Mr. Bodish: Finance: Budget forms are to be filled out and returned. Budget committees' meetings starts September. Admin: Money brought in: General acct \$13,319.18; Emergency Services: \$764.76 Garbage: \$17,285.00; Business Privilege tax \$49,000.00; Refund of CDBG Grant, 11th Street project \$185,471.00; Safer Grant refund: \$900.00; Reimbursement for tree damage at pool, Philadelphia Ins Co: \$7,037.67. Mr. Santoroski: PW running under normal operations. IRT Greenways Grant: won't hear back until Nov or Dec. Still working on multimodal and existing grants. Pickleball court is done. Ribbon cutting ceremony should be nice.

Mr. Dee: Chief Emerich advised the trailer on property was removed on Saturday July 11, 2026.

Everyone received the AI policy for Boroughs from Mr. Dee.

Fire Chief Fenstermaker: 23 calls for June, 188 calls YTD. One new member joined yesterday. Hurting for members, most work during the day, on weekends some ppl work, taking classes, or on vacation. Incident Saturday night at American Club Pavilion, 2 trucks present. Northampton FD arrived first due to being fully staffed.

New Business:

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

All in favor 6; Opposed _____ Abstain _____ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Mr. Bodish, second by Mr. Read, to approve June 2026 Treasurers report.

All in favor 6; Opposed _____ Abstain _____ **Carried/Denied**

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

All in favor 6; Opposed _____ Abstain _____ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Mr. Hermany, second by Mr. Dee, to approve the lease of the Parkway Pavilion from August 22, 2026 through August 30, 2026 to Coplay Community Days.

All in favor 6; Opposed _____ Abstain _____ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Mr. Dee, second by Mr. Santoroski, to approve \$500.00 donation to Coplay Community Days.

All in favor 6; Opposed _____ Abstain _____ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Mr. Hermany, second by Mr. Santorski, to approve \$504.00 membership fee to Whitehall Chamber of Commerce for 2026.

All in favor 4; Opposed 1 (Dee) Abstain 1 (Read) **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Mr. Read, second by Mr. Hermany, to Approve the Coplay Garden Club to the use of the pavilion with the fee waived on Friday, September 11, 2026.

All in favor 6; Opposed _____ Abstain _____ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Mr. Hermany, second by Mr. Bodish, to Approve to pay Tree of Life \$1,600 to take down a tree at Balliet Stadium.

All in favor 6; Opposed _____ Abstain _____ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Mr. Dee, second by Mr. Hermany, to Approve the proposed tiered stipend payout of \$9,000 for each Police Officer, Juan Araujo & Thomas Dunleavy as designated in Memorandum of Understanding.

All in favor 6; Opposed _____ Abstain _____ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Mr. Hermany, second by Mr. Santoroski, to Approve the Library's use of Borough Hall gymnasium on Saturday, July 25th, from 12-1 for Christina's Reptile Program.

All in favor 6; Opposed _____ Abstain _____ **Carried/Denied**

Any other items for Discussion:

Mr. Dee proposed recognition of properties in the Borough, a certificate from the Mayor or picture in the local paper. Mayor Leiner stated prior organization: Property of Merit had held contest in town. Coplay 'Indoor' Garden Club was for people who didn't like weeds, then expanded to indoor/outdoor. Mayor Leiner suggested council make a resolution to say something nice about them or Mayor can do a proclamation. Mr. Read questioned if IPMC 2006 is what Borough is using still from 10 years ago. Mr. Read was directed to contact Codes Officer Ron Helman.

Next Meetings:

August 4, 2026 Workshop Meeting at 7PM

August 11, 2026 Regular Meeting at 7PM

Motion by Mr. Bodish, second by Mr. Hermany, to adjourn into executive session for Real Estate and personnel at 7:21PM.

Reconvene Y/N Motions Made Y/N

Motion by Mr. Santoroski, second by Mr. Hermany, to deny grievance by employee.

Roll call: Mr. Bodish, Mr. Dee, Mr. Hermany, Mr. Kern, Mr. Read, Mr. Santoroski.

Motion by Mr. Bodish, second by Mr. Hermany, to adjourn meeting at 7:56PM.

All in favor 6; Opposed _____ Abstain _____ **Carried/Denied**