

MINUTES OF THE BIG BEAVER BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING May 20, 2025.

Held at the Big Beaver Municipal Building, 114 Friendship Rd, Darlington, PA 16115

President Kimberly Wagner called the meeting to order at 6:00pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the Lord's Prayer.

Roll Call:

Mayor: Michelle Joy

Council President: Kim Wagner

Council Members: Garrett Schriver

Bart Carr

Erin Walter

Jessica Chaney

Karla Myers

Secretary/Treasurer: Jennifer Gasser

Engineer: Dan Martone

Police Captain: Jim Martin (depart 6:56pm)

Zoning Officer: Owen Pella

Solicitor: Shannon Steele

Public Works Director: Chad Crawford

Absent: Vice President Jeff Magee

Approval of Agenda:

Erin Walter made a motion, seconded by Garrett Schriver to approve the agenda. All in favor, motion carries.

Public Comment:

Robert Fleischman addressed Council and Owen Pella regarding the property complaint on McKinley Road. Sandy Friend addressed Council regarding the property maintenance complaint on her property. In discussion, Owen Pella advised significant amount of progress has been made and Council will need to vote to allow the property to remain in the current condition. Ms. Friend, Mr. Pella and Council discussed any burning would need to be done within the bounds of the existing Buring Ordinance.

Approval of Minutes:

Erin Walter made a motion, seconded by Garrett Schriver to approve the Minute of May 6, 2025, April 2025 Financials, and May 2025 Bill List. All in favor, motion carries.

Administrative Reports:

Mayor: Mayor Joy reported on the Town Hall PowerPoint and her meeting with Kim Wagner, Mark Taylor, and Supervisor Dan Woodske on fire services. She also addressed concerns about the red Veterans box being misused and proposed its removal if there were no objections, Council had no objections. President Wagner thanked Chad Crawford for cleaning up the items left outside.

President Report: President Wagner discussed Jeff Magee's scheduling conflicts, approval of a \$100 donation to Shriners Hospital for Peg Marshall in recognition of her community contributions, Town Hall PowerPoint, and attended last week's Fire Department meeting, where a new fundraising campaign was launched.

Public Works Director: No report.

Secretary/Treasurer: Jennifer Gasser provided updates on codification progress, noted the office will be closed on the morning of May 21 for the COG meeting, confirmed receipt of Mr. Snedeker's application and plans to submit it to Job Training of Beaver County, and the disc golf event at the park this weekend.

Professional Reports:

Fire Department: Turned In

Zoning/Code Enforcement: Mr. Pella and Mr. Martone discussed the review letters for Project Horizon. Mr. Pella reported on his inspections on 1190 Centennial and the County's Hud Program, and 721 Norwood Drive is on the HUD list to be torn down within the next few months.

Police Department: Reported turned in.

Engineer: Turned In – Dan Martone reported on the Bikop land closing and he has spoken with Mike Galet, project engineer, on the outstanding issues with the Land Development. MEPPi will be submitting a foundation only permit shortly. Mr. Martone discussed the Sherwood Bridge repair.

Solicitor: Turned In. Turned in. Shannon Steele reported the Stormwater and Developers agreement drafts were sent to Mike Galet.

Bart Carr inquired on the monthly report for the Fire Department and the breakdown of calls. Kim Wagner explained this information was requested from the 911 center.

#### New Business:

A. Council discussed this will be part of yearly appointments. Garrett Schriver made a motion, seconded by Bart Carr to hire Erik Moore as a contractor, as the Backup Operator for the Lift Stations, providing services on an as-needed basis through December 31, 2025. Roll Call Vote Yes, Bart Carr, Karla Myers, Jessica Chaney, Erin Walter, Garrett Schriver and Kim Wagner.

B. Jennifer Gasser discussed the reason for the change and the savings for the sewer system. Erin Walter made a motion, seconded by Karla Myers beginning January 2026, change the sewer billing for customers on the Big Beaver Sewer System to quarterly. Roll Call Vote Yes, Bart Carr, Karla Myers, Jessica Chaney, Erin Walter, Garrett Schriver and Kim Wagner.

C. Jennifer Gasser discussed the water leak credit request with Council. Erin Walter made a motion, seconded by Jessica Chaney to issue a one-time credit of \$346.38, for sewer account #4979, following Beaver Falls Municipal Authority credit policy.

D. Jennifer Gasser advised the insurance company is reviewing to see if this would be covered with a deductible. Garrett Schriver and Chad Crawford discussed surge protectors for the lift stations. Bart Carr made a motions, seconded by Garrett Schriver to purchase a Krohne IFC 050 Signal Converter for Eagle Rock and College Lift stations for \$3,196. Roll Call Vote Yes: Bart Carr, Karla Myers, Jessica Chaney, Kim Wagner, Erin Walter, and Garrett Schriver.

E. Owen Pella discussed the consent order not being met. In discussion with Solicitor Steele, Mr. Pella will send a courtesy letter to the Ramada prior to condemning. Erin Walter made a motion, seconded by Karla Myers to allow Owen Pella to follow the consent order. Roll Call Vote Yes: Bart Carr, Karla Myers, Jessica Chaney, Kim Wagner, Erin Walter, and Garrett Schriver.

F. Dan Martone discussed the condition of Sherwood Bridge. Erin Walter made a motion, seconded by Garrett Schriver to Ratify the phone call vote to close Sherwood Bridge. Roll Call Vote Yes: Bart Carr, Karla Myers, Jessica Chaney, Kim Wagner, Erin Walter, and Garrett Schriver.

Garrett Schriver made a motion, seconded by Karla Myers to amend the agenda to include letter G for the discussion and vote on the Friend property.

G. Garrett Schriver made a motion, seconded by Bart Carr to rescind the notice of violation for Ms. Friend. Roll Call Vote Yes: Bart Carr, Karla Myers, Jessica Chaney, Kim Wagner, Erin Walter, and Garrett Schriver.

Meeting Adjourned 7:01pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Gasser  
Secretary/Treasurer