

COLLEGEVILLE BOROUGH
MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 2, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 6:30PM by Council VP Gary Hoffmann.

ROLL CALL: VP Gary Hoffmann, PPT Craig Farr, Marion McKinney, Kathy Costello, Valarie Beckius and Damien Brewster

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Solicitor Rebecca Geiser, Engineer David Leh, Police Chief John Barnshaw, Manager Tamara Twardowski and Assistant Suzanne Robertson

Mr. Hoffmann asked for a moment of silence for the officer from Upper Providence that died this week.

MOTION to approve the minutes from the May meeting by McKinney with a second by Costello
MOTION carries 6-0

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BUDGET & FINANCE:

MOTION to approve the Treasurer's report and checks 264-345 by McKinney with a second by Costello
MOTION carries 6-0

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT: No report

CTMA/PUBLIC WORKS: Ms. McKinney advised the meeting was very short and there are no water updates at this time.

CPVRPC: Ms. Beckius reported that the committee met on May 19 and discussed the Comprehensive Plan and the Perkiomen Creek Mapping and Flooding study. On July 10 Lower Frederick will host a free event on rain gardens. Perkiomen Township will host an event on September 11 that will teach about garden plants that help conserve water. This class will have a \$15 fee, but you will receive three native plants to take home.

LPVRS: Ms. Twardowski reported for Ms. Stagliano that the committee is working with Perkiomen Township regarding the School House Run Interceptor. They are preparing a response to a warning letter received by the EPA. Five of six municipalities have adopted an ordinance containing the revised local limits. They are preparing the files for the 2024 audit. Regular maintenance and operations continue as usual.

PARKS: Ms. Costello advised that there was no meeting in May. The new mulch was received and installed at the park. The first concert in the park is scheduled for June 12 at 6:30 and will feature the

Tyson Mill Band. We will be collecting donations for the Daily Bread Food Pantry. There is a park cleanup event scheduled for June 14 at 9AM. We have received notice from the DEP that further remediation is necessary for the oil spill at the scout cabin. Ms. Costello is getting estimates and will discuss options at the July meeting.

PERSONNEL:

MOTION to approve the Collective Bargaining contract for our Public Works department by McKinney with a second by Beckius

MOTION carries 6-0

STREETS & PUBLIC SAFETY: Mr. Farr advised that they had a second meeting with the residents of Carmen Drive and he is pleased to say that all but two homes have opted to begin the work of removing the trees and replacing the concrete sidewalks.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

ENGINEER:

MOTION to award the streambank restoration project to the lowest bid from The Ambient Group in the amount of \$96,280.05 by Farr with a second by Brewster

MOTION carries 6-0

SOLICITOR: Ms. Geiser reported that there were two executive sessions recently. The first on May 19 regarding the collective bargaining agreement for the Public Works employees and the other on June 3 regarding pending litigation of the Perkiomen Bridge Hotel.

MANAGER:

MOTION to adopt the Main Street Plan by McKinney with a second by Beckius

MOTION carries 6-0

MOTION to approve using Gilmore Associates to assist with design preparations for the Main Street Plan by McKinney with a second by Brewster

MOTION carries 6-0

Ms. Twardowski advised she is applying for a Multi Modal Grant for sidewalks and streetscape for the 400 block of Main Street. She also noted there will be a Zoning Hearing on June 19 regarding a flag lot at 411 E 9th Avenue for a garage.

7Brews continues to move forward to get their Highway Occupancy Permit from PennDOT. It has been proposed that the borough apply for a Green Light Go grant for the improvements requested by PennDOT. 7Brews has agreed to pay the required 20% match toward them.

POLICE: Chief Barnshaw reported that we have received two new vehicles and they will be painted and in service shortly. There was a letter sent by the Chief of Lower Providence thanking Officers Nerlinger and Rudderow for their assistance in apprehending the suspect involved in the shooting last month at Ridge Pike & Crosskeys Rd. in LP.

MOTION to approve the following Fire Police requests by Brewster with a second by Costello:
May 26 Memorial Day Parade in Trappe

June 6 PVHS Graduation in Perkiomen Township

July 4 Skippack 4th of July Parade

Aug 14 The Philly Folk Fest in Upper Salford

MOTION carries 6-0

FIRE: Mr. Penuel reported 39 incidents and 616 hours of service that included calls and two trainings.

AMBULANCE: No report

MAYOR: No report

MOTION to approve all reports by Farr with a second by McKinney

MOTION carries 6-0

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

OTHER BUSINESS: The grand opening of the (Brandon) Sisca Memorial Park will be at Trappe Borough Hall on June 22 at noon.

MEETING ADJOURNED 7:01PM