

**BOROUGH OF HATBORO COUNCIL
COMMITTEE/COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 22, 2026
7:00 PM**

PRESENT: President Reichner, Councilperson Myers, Councilperson Hendrickson, Councilperson McCuen, Councilwoman Shay, Councilperson Smith, Mayor Schultz, Manager Hegele, Assistant Secretary DeRenzis, Chief Ruegg, Fire Marshal Valesky, Solicitor Geiser, Engineer MacNair were present.

ABSENT: Vice President Jacobus, and Fire Company President Croak were excused.

CALL TO ORDER: President Reichner called the Monday, June 22, 2026, Committee meeting to order at 7:12 PM. The meeting was delayed due to waiting for an interpreter to arrive who did not arrive.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chief Ruegg led the pledge of allegiance.

INVOCATION: Mayor Schultz gave the invocation.

MOMENT OF SILENCE HONORING ALLEN MOSEBACH: President Reichner held a moment of silence in honor of Allen Mosebach.

VERIZON CABLE FRANCHISE RENEWAL HEARING:

President Reichner called the hearing to order at 7:15pm.

Solicitor Geiser provided the following remarks regarding the Public Hearing for Verizon Cable Franchise Renewal:

“Good evening. This is a public hearing of the Borough Council regarding cable franchise renewal for Hatboro Borough. This public hearing is held pursuant to Section 626 of the federal Cable Act, which sets forth the process for franchise renewal. As a preliminary matter, this is a public hearing and it has been publicly advertised. The Borough’s current franchise with Verizon is within the industry norm renewal window, and the Borough is beginning the process of renewing the franchise.

This public hearing is part of the preliminary portion of franchise renewal in which the Borough reviews the cable operator’s past performance and identifies the Borough’s future cable-related community needs. As such, as part of this public hearing, we invite comments from any citizens who wish to speak regarding either or both of the aforementioned subjects.

Franchise renewal is the best opportunity for municipalities to assert their rights with respect to their cable operator and to obtain important benefits in return for granting the cable operator the right to use their public rights-of-way. These benefits include:

- 1. A State-of-the-Art Cable System now and in the future;*
- 2. Strong Customer Service Standards;*
- 3. Free Services to Community Facilities;*

1. *Better Reporting Requirements from the Cable Operators;*
2. *Maximized Franchise Fees;*
3. *Public, Educational and Governmental (PEG) Channel(s) (if desired);*
4. *PEG Capital Support Funding (if desired);*
5. *Legal Protections of the Rights-of-Way; and*
6. *Better Mechanisms to Enforce the Franchise Agreement.*

These are just some of the potential benefits available through franchise renewal. Citizens may address these items or any other cable-related items that are important to them. As a preliminary matter, the Cohen group, which is a law group in Pittsburgh that specializes in franchise renewal, is handling the negotiations, it's a consortium (there are 13). I represent 4 of the municipalities. This allows a larger group to negotiate at a lower cost to Borough taxpayers. This is the opportunity you have to make any statements or comments, that will then be passed along to the Cohen group and use it for negotiations with Verizon. I can tell you throughout all of the municipalities that money is decreasing every year, and I believe this is the best way to recoup some of the money that is still out there. With that, we will now open this up for public comment. Please state your name and address when making comment."

PUBLIC COMMENT ON VERIZON CABLE FRANCHISE RENEWAL HEARING:

Mr. John Kirby 237 Jacksonville Road- Mr. Kirby questioned if Verizon would offer access for deaf and hard of hearing people under ADA with the use of FCC funds.

Solicitor Geiser stated we can ask, she doesn't know.

Gary Blickley 46 Harding Avenue- Mr. Blickley stated that he doesn't know what the current agreements or benefits are, but one thing he noticed on the warrant list is that there is a significant amount of money spent on Borough and Public Safety Service areas on internet and related services. He questioned if the Borough would be able to leverage them to offer discounted or reduced costs for those services.

Solicitor Geiser stated that is what the Cohen group is trying to do and that would be passed along to them.

Manager Hegele stated that this question came up in some previous meetings because the Borough has cable and cell phones through Verizon, as well as some items through Comcast, but the Borough had asked if there were additional discounts due to the high volume of accounts that the Borough has. She stated another thing that came up was an audit to make sure that payments made by customers are going to the correct municipalities since Hatboro zip code of 19040 can include residents of Upper Moreland and Horsham. She stated a comprehensive audit would be completed to ensure each municipality received the proper share.

Manager Hegele stated for the record there was a resident who reached out to her with questions, Mr. Illuminati, who owns several properties in the Borough. She stated some of his properties do not have Verizon service yet because it is not available. She stated that his question was would Verizon become available. She stated that would be sent to Cohen Law Group as well.

President Reichner stated that a few years ago there was discussion about the public access station.

Manager Hegele stated that was funded through Comcast previously, but there could be a discussion regarding that and PEG.

President Reichner stated that could be a better option than streaming through Facebook for those who do not have Facebook.

Manager Hegele stated we could send that to them as well.

Solicitor Geiser closed the Verizon Cable Franchise Renewal Hearing at 7:22pm.

MEETING NOTES: President Reichner reviewed the public comment policy for addressing Council, time allotment, etc. President Reichner also reviewed the use of the podium and microphone when giving public comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Marianne Reymer 120 Summit Avenue- Ms. Reymer stated that she thought she read online that Sparta is the pool snack stand provider. She stated in the past there was always a process, which was an RFP from a contractor, discussion, and a vote by Council, and then a contract. She stated there hasn't been any meetings since the last meeting that she was aware of, she questioned if that happened in this case since the initial person was unable to fulfill the request, did we follow a process or how did that happen.

President Reichner stated that we did have an original RFP. She stated that the initial interested party informed the Borough two days prior that they were no longer able to do that. She stated that the Borough had reached out to businesses in the Borough and Sparta indicated they were interested.

Ms. Reymer questioned if there was any official vote at that time.

President Reichner stated not at that time because the Borough wanted to get a vendor in for the snack stand since there was none.

Ms. Reymer questioned if there was going to be a vote and what is Sparta paying the Borough to be the snack stand provider.

President Reichner stated that Sparta is not paying a fee for use of the snack stand this year. She stated they are using their own equipment and there was an understanding with Sparta that this year they are helping the Borough out and if they continued next year, they would be subject to the fee.

Ms. Reymer questioned that there would still be an RFP process next year. She stated that all of that was bypassed this season, and the Borough recognizes no revenue from them for filling a vacancy.

President Reichner stated it was left open ended if Sparta wanted to donate anything back at the end of the season towards the fee because they aren't paying for the use this season.

Councilwoman Shay stated that the Borough was in a bind and Sparta helped the Borough out.

Ms. Reymer questioned at what point did Council gather to discuss and make that decision.

President Reichner stated there was no gathering. She stated when the Borough did not have a vendor, an employee had asked some of the Borough businesses. She stated that Sparta said yes, Manager Hegele informed the Pool Committee, which is comprised of President Reichner, Vice President Jacobus, and Councilwoman Hendrickson, and the three of them said yes.

Ms. Reymer stated she understands the whole scenario presented. She questioned if Council should make it official and vote on it tonight.

President Reichner asked Solicitor Geiser if they legally could.

Solicitor Geiser stated that legally it could be added, Council would need to make two motions. She stated the first motion would be to open the agenda and add an item and there would be a vote. She stated once that item is added, the second motion would be to vote on it. She stated that the Sunshine Act changed in November allowing this, for now, stating that it may change back in the future.

Ms. Reymer stated that it could officially be done tonight.

President Reichner asked Solicitor Geiser if her recommendation was that Council vote on it tonight.

Solicitor Geiser stated yes.

President Reichner questioned if it would be done during the Committee meeting or the Council meeting.

Solicitor Geiser stated to add it to the voting items. She stated it would be number 16 and the first item would be to vote to open the agenda and add Sparta as the snack stand provider. She stated Council would vote to open and add that as an agenda item and the second vote would be whether or not to appoint them as the snack stand vendor.

President Reichner questioned if Council already voted on the RFP before for the other vendor, would Council be amending that.

Solicitor Geiser stated that the original vendor withdrew their application, so legally Council is clean adding it on the agenda and appointing them.

Merrie Keller 110 W. Monument Avenue- Ms. Keller stated she doesn't understand why the W. Moreland Bridge project is going to take so long. She stated it's taking almost two years, and she wonders why the job is not being worked daily. She stated she doesn't understand why there is no walking course across the bridge for people to walk. Ms. Keller the speed bumps on the west side of the bridge seem to be working, however, drivers are cutting through the pool parking lot to avoid the bumps. She stated that when traveling west from Blair Mill, people are slowing down over the bumps, and then speeding up on the bridge. She stated quite a few people blow the stop sign at Broad and that it would be helpful if there were speed bumps at Broad. She stated there are many angry people are driving in this area and police presence is helpful, but she understands it can't be there 24 hours a day. Ms. Keller stated her suggestion is try walking on Monument or the side streets with a dog, where middle fingers and F bombs are flying from the drivers. She stated ring cameras have picked up over

1,000+ cars a day, busses, trucks, motorcycles, landscaping trailers; people who really don't have business on the street, other than just driving down and getting to Blair Mill or York Road. She stated that motorists are also disregarding the Linden stop sign. She stated that the bridge condition has two big chunks of wood removed, nails are raised on the west side of the bridge, and she doubts that any poxy is going to fill it. She stated that West Monument should be one way, going east with no left turn on York Road and it should be for local traffic only. She stated Broad Street needs speed bumps and that this is not an annoyance, this is a danger.

President Reichner asked if traffic is still as congested with school being out.

Ms. Keller stated yes, there hasn't been any difference other than there are no busses.

Mr. John Kirby 237 Jacksonville Road- Mr. Kirby stated he noticed several motorists speeding coming in from the other side of the bridge. He stated that there needs to be a new path for walkers that is safer than crossing where the cars are.

Gary Blickley 46 Harding Avenue- Mr. Blickley stated he wanted to discuss the Committee meeting. He stated that historically, the Committee meeting has often included back and forth exchanges between residents, Council, staff, engineers, and solicitors. He stated that starting in March, it appeared that there was tension between the Borough Council and the residents, and it got worse in April. He stated during the April meeting both a councilperson and the Solicitor both raised concerns about the amount of dialog occurring during the meeting, specifically the solicitor stated there was a lot of back and forth, and suggested that public comments be limited to the designated public comment periods, and there was a concern about the online participants not being able to hear, which is not the responsibility of the public trying to interact with the government. He stated that later in discussion, the Council President didn't endorse limiting interactions and that she understood the resident's frustrations and that additional information would be provided ahead of future meetings. He stated in that same meeting, a resident brought up that it felt like the residents were no longer welcome and the Council President said that participation would continue. Mr. Blickley stated that in May, the Council President indicated that the time for discussion was for Council to discuss and the Solicitor held everyone to a three minute limit. He stated there really wasn't discussion and it was only time for comments. He stated that another Councilperson later stated that public participation was restricted exclusively to the comments section, and at the time was really just for council to discuss things. He stated it feels like we take a couple steps forward, because there has been improvement, but then we take two steps backwards. He stated he thinks we need a consistent way of approaching this and go back to our friendly small-town interaction. He stated there isn't a huge amount of people in attendance and the idea of a single meeting being completed in under an hour or so isn't a realistic desire and the longer this occurs, the less time people for it and the less they pay attention.

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE (JACOBUS/MCCUEN)

WEST MONUMENT AVENUE SPEED BUMPS/TRAFFIC CALMING UPDATE: Councilwoman McCuen provided an update on the West Monument Avenue Speed Bumps/Traffic Calming measures. She stated Public Works and the Police have completed the installation of two sets of speed bumps on West Monument Avenue since the last meeting. She stated the intent of this is to hopefully have motorists use the approved and posted detour and not West Monument Avenue. She stated while the study did not find a speeding problem, this should

at a minimum slow motorist down heading towards the bridge or motorists heading towards Blair Mill Road. She stated there has been one complaint regarding the placement/location which the Chief responded to, and the Manager shared with Council. She stated there have been no complaints about noise from the speed bumps at this time.

ON STREET PARKING RESTRICTIONS/ORDINANCE UPDATE: Councilwoman McCuen provided an update regarding the on-street parking restrictions/ordinance. She stated the Parking Commission met on June 2, 2026, and one of the items discussed by the Commission was the limitation of parking on one side of certain streets in the Borough. She stated these streets are narrow and allowing parking on both sides of the street could pose an access issue for vehicles, trash collection, mail carriers, and first responders. She stated the streets discussed are:

Bright Road
Broad Street
South Linden
Loller Road
Moreboro Road
Manor Road
Oakdale Avenue
Warren Road
Wilson Road
Wood Street
Intersection of Lancaster/Meadowbrook/Windsor
Pershing Avenue
Rorer Avenue
300 Block of North Penn Street

She stated the Borough would like to hold a town hall event for residents of these streets in July to obtain feedback prior to enacting an amendment to the ordinance. She stated this will allow residents of these streets to provide input on the proposed changes and provide any suggestions that may also need to be incorporated into an amendment to the Ordinance. She stated this town hall will take place prior to the July Council Meeting so Council can consider an amendment to the ordinance at the July 20th meeting, consider advertisement of the draft, and consider adoption of the amendment at the August meeting.

Councilman Smith stated that he visited W. Monument a couple Saturdays ago just to see how the speed bumps were, and he could see an area after they hit the speed bumps where motorists might gun it and then short stop it. He questioned if the Borough could put speed bumps at the stop signs.

Chief Ruegg stated he would not recommend it. He stated that where they were placed was the only close to feasible place that even remotely closely matched the recommended PennDOT traffic study to where they would go. Chief Ruegg stated he had this discussion with other residents out there, and it ended with wanting a speed bump at a stop sign. He stated no engineer, no safety expert, nobody will recommend that. He stated that you can't just put one traffic device on top of another traffic device, it does not work. He stated that the length of roadway and distance between stop signs doesn't meet the recommended criteria for speed bumps, which is why they were placed where they were.

Councilwoman McCuen stated she knows we have an officer out there at times and if people are blowing through the stop signs, is there a list of citations being issued.

Chief Ruegg stated he provided an update last meeting and does not have an update to provide tonight on citations.

Councilwoman Shay stated she is concerned about the motorists cutting through the park, especially right now with summer and everyone going to the pool, families, kids, and kids being out of school, where people will be in the park. She stated she lives over that way, and it was hard already to walk your dogs on Monument prior to the bridge closed. She stated she is concerned somebody's going to get hurt. She questioned if it would be smart for the Borough to add somebody in the park as a deterrent so that people would stop using the park to avoid going over the speed bumps.

Chief Ruegg stated that this is the first he has heard of this. He stated he would pass that information along so when the officer's sit over there, they can keep an eye on it.

Councilman Myers stated at one point, the Borough was looking to make that park entrance one way in and one way out. He stated maybe that is something the Borough could look at again.

Chief Ruegg stated you can't out regulate poor drivers. He stated to use Crooked Billet and S. York Road as an example, the Borough is going to be putting up speed signs, but if someone is driving intoxicated at 85mph, it doesn't matter how many signs you put there, it's not going to stop that. He stated you can make it one way, it will take time.

Councilman Myers stated that the original intent was to help optimize parking in that loop.

Chief Ruegg stated you could certainly consider making it one way. He stated that he will make sure the officers know to keep an eye out for those things.

Councilwoman McCuen stated if even an empty car could be parked there, just from a visibility perspective. She stated that she lives in the neighborhood behind the old Ross and Company and there is a police officer from elsewhere who parks his take home car at Chester and Moreland. She stated people would blow that stop sign all the time but now with his vehicle there, people slow down a lot more.

Chief Ruegg stated if the Police had a car available they could. He stated that the Police have done that in the past in problem areas like down on Central. He stated if they have enough marked cars available, they could do that, but most of the marked cars are driven during the day. He stated that if the officer does a directed patrol over at Broad, they can sit there for 15 minutes and then move to the park, especially if they are in the area, it's easy for the officers to move around. Chief Ruegg asked the residents to continue to provide feedback to the police.

Chief Ruegg stated that while on the topic, he provided an update on accident statistics for the entirety of West Monument Avenue. Starting December 1, 2025, to June 16, 2026, there have been zero traffic accidents on West Monument Avenue. He stated in that same time period, there were 140 accidents throughout the rest of the Borough. Chief Ruegg does not disagree that there is an increased volume of traffic, but it is a positive that accidents are not occurring there. He stated that it doesn't mean that the noise and increased traffic isn't a

problem, and the Borough is trying to do what it can to abate that. He stated until the West Moreland Avenue bridge reopens, people are probably still going to cut through there. Chief Ruegg stated he wished he had a different answer for the residents but that's the reality we are facing and it's not for a lack of trying.

Councilwoman McCuen stated that no crashes for now is good, and she would not want to add anything else to the street such as signs. She stated that at this point, it has to be presence.

Chief Ruegg stated that he did not have the numbers in front of him, but at the start 60% of the directed patrols were occurring in that area. He stated that at last report, they dropped a little bit but with it being the summertime, there are other things going on in the Borough that need to be enforced. Chief Ruegg stated if anyone wants to donate for a cop to sit there 24/hrs. a day, he will ask if someone wants to sit there, but they do have other things they need to attend to, and because it's a special circumstance, they are making every effort to put extra attention in this area.

President Reichner questioned if there are cars parked in the driveway for the pool, will that help slow speeders or should the Borough put something up indicating people are parked there.

Chief Ruegg stated on a typical roadway if cars are parked on both sides, it has a traffic calming effect, much like road dieting which they did on North York Road. He stated that sometimes one regulation can create other issues, similar to the discussion that was had on South York Road. He stated that he will ensure the officers are getting out there and spending as much time as possible and issuing citations when warranted.

Mr. John Kirby 237 Jacksonville Road- Mr. Kirby questioned if at the town hall would handicap parking issues be discussed. He stated the same list of streets that were listed, and he stated that he does not see any handicap accessible parking.

Chief Ruegg stated that he would email Mr. Kirby the process to petition on how to get accessible parking and the ordinance on where accessible parking is in the Borough.

Gary Blickley 46 Harding Avenue- Mr. Blickley questioned if while looking at the parking ordinance, is the plan to revisit the whole ordinance to make sure the whole thing is updated at once, since parking is such an issue in town.

President Reichner stated that yes, that is the plan. She stated that the Fire Marshal had asked about specific roads, so the Parking Commission was directed to start with those roads since there were issues with first responders getting through. She stated that the Parking Commission will be going through all the parking throughout the Borough eventually but started here due to the safety concerns.

Manager Hegele stated that the Parking Commission was asked at their June meeting to start a complete check of the complete ordinance. She asked Mr. Blickley if there was a specific piece of the ordinance that he wanted to bring to our attention.

Mr. Blickley stated that his concern is that parking continues to be a growing issue and now the Borough will be limiting parking a little further for safety features and there may be other areas in the Borough where there was convenience parking and maybe now it's not reasonable to have that parking and the ordinance can allow changes to offset the safety changes.

FINANCE/GRANTS COMMITTEE (SMITH/SHAY)

UNION LIBRARY EXPENDITURE LIST: Councilman Smith stated the Union Library expenditure list for the month of May 2026 is in the amount of \$21,730. He stated that the Borough is also in receipt of the February 2026 expenditure list in the amount of \$31,006. This item has been moved to the voting meeting portion of the agenda for consideration.

CAPITAL BUDGET WORKSHOP REMINDER: Councilman Smith stated that there will be a Capital Budget Workshop on June 29th, 2026, at 6pm, at Borough Hall.

Gary Blickley 46 Harding Avenue- Mr. Blickley questioned if the Borough would be providing anything ahead of time so residents would have time to prepare.

Manager Hegele stated that each department head has submitted items that will be include in the presentation. She stated that typically in the past nothing has been put out in advance because it is not something that Council votes on. She stated that if residents can take the presentation home and bring back any suggestions to the July meeting. She stated that if they have everything prepared and sent to Council ahead of time, something can be put on the website also.

RESIDENT INVESTMENT PRESENTATION: Councilman Smith stated that the finance committee recently met with resident Mark Hanisco over questions he had about interest the Borough earns on our bank accounts. He stated that Mr. Hanisco has requested that he do a public presentation to review his findings and look at ways the Borough can invest money and make more money which in the end is a win for the taxpayers.

Gary Blickley 46 Harding Avenue- Mr. Blickley questioned if the Borough currently pays for the services that Mr. Hanisco covered with the lower interest rates, or if this is something the Borough is paying to have done.

Manager Hegele stated that no, the Borough does not pay for the intrafi, nor does the Borough pay them to manage the Borough money. Manager Hegele also stated that she has reached out to them as well to have a conversation with government banking to express the displeasure with the amount of interest the Borough receives from M&T.

Kelly Kennedy, James Road- Ms. Kennedy questioned if the Borough made changes, who manages that. She questioned if the Borough has somebody at the bank that manages the money or if that's the Borough treasurer. She stated that is a lot of moving parts that one needs to pay attention to on a regular, consistent basis or it could get ugly.

Mr. Hanisco stated that one of the things the Borough must understand is the liquidity needs so checks aren't being bounced.

Ms. Kennedy questioned is that something that the Borough can support.

Manager Hegele stated that staff does look at the banking all the time. She stated the Borough projects out the cost of things to make sure the Borough has the funds.

Ms. Kennedy questioned if the responsibility would be on the finance committee or the treasurer every month to look and see what would need to be done.

Manager Hegele stated that ultimately the responsibility is that of Council, because they are in charge of the money. She stated the finance committee would be involved and once the Borough has a treasurer, that person could be involved as well.

Mr. John Kirby 237 Jacksonville Road- Mr. Kirby questioned if it would be legal for the Borough to invest in any markets that earn dividend income.

Councilman Myers stated the Borough does have restrictions that it has to work within, because it's municipal funds and has to be in accounts that can guarantee government securities. He stated the authority funds may be restricted even further. Councilman Myers thanked Mr. Hanisco for his presentation. He stated one thing that was noted during the finance committee meeting with Mr. Hanisco was that earned interest is earmarked to stay within the same account, so although for example the Library may earn extra interest, that does not mean all of the money comes back to the Borough as a whole.

Mr. Hanisco stated from what he read, the funds have to stay FDIC insured, and if they are not, the Borough is required to get a bond to cover the part that isn't, so it's best to stay in the FDIC insured space.

Mayor Schultz thanked Mr. Hanisco for his presentation and noted he made some great points. He stated that he thinks we are a bit hamstrung being a municipality. He stated that he thinks that is the first level of what we have to identify. He stated that the laddering of CD's throughout the year, it's a great strategy because it's a great way to compound the money quickly. Mayor Schultz stated that the Borough needs to answer some legal questions first because he knows that for most municipalities it has to be strictly CD's and bank accounts.

Mr. Hanisco stated that if the Borough only made double the interest that is currently being made, then it's better. He stated if you look at the M&T escrow fund, there was \$176,000 in the account and the account only made \$28 interest. He stated compared to the escrow fund at TD that only has \$47,000, the Borough is receiving twice as much interest.

President Reichner stated that the Borough realizes that not every account could be put into a CD, but there are certain accounts that it could be more possible, such as the swimming fund or other accounts that aren't used for a significant chunk of the year, that could earn interest while it's sitting there.

Mr. Blickey stated that there should be groups that handle the earlier question about the overhead tied to all of it. He questioned if that had come up at all.

Manager Hegele stated not that she is aware of. She stated that nobody is making money off the Borough money except the taxpayers.

President Reichner questioned if Mr. Blickey meant that the Borough would find somebody to manage the money.

Mr. Blickley stated that yes, there are money managers out there that would be paid to handle the money, but the pay is a portion of what the Borough would end up making, so in the end you are still getting ahead of just the simple interest seen in the accounts.

President Reichner stated that the Borough is going to meet with PLGIT and another company that they had met at the Borough's conference with the finance committee to see if that is something those companies can help the Borough with.

Marianne Reymer 120 Summit Avenue- Ms. Reymer stated she was recently at TD conducting personal business and when speaking with the manager which reminded her that TD has a government services branch that has people on board, with two gentlemen locally, who will come out and look at what the Borough has with them and help find better ways to manage, invest, save, etc.

Manager Hegele stated that the Borough has always had a government representative at TD, as well a government representative at M&T, that all they do is government banking. She stated TD recently sent us the new contact information for that person and she would be speaking with them also.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH & EVENTS COMMITTEE (MCCUEN/HENDRICKSON)

UPCOMING EVENTS: Councilwoman McCuen stated the following upcoming events:

- 7/1 Senior Estate Planning for Seniors at Borough Hall from 10am to 11am
- 7/1 American Red Cross Blood Drive at Pennypack Community Center from 1pm to 6pm
- 7/4 Kid's 4th of July Parade at Pennypack Community Center 9am
- 7/4 America 250 Declaration of Independence Reading at the Union Library of Hatboro 11:30am
- 7/8 Chair Yoga at Borough Hall from 10am to 11am
- 7/8, 7/15, 7/22 Senior Tai Chi at Pennypack Community Center 1pm
- 7/15 Senior Bingo at Borough Hall from 10am to 11am
- 7/17 Cruise Night on York Rd starting at 5:30pm

HONORING HATBORO'S SENIOR GAMES MEDALISTS: Councilwoman McCuen stated thank you to all of the seniors from Hatboro who participated in this year's Montgomery County Senior Games. She stated the Montgomery County Senior Games combines sports and recreation with fellowship among everyone involved. She stated the mission of the Montgomery County Senior Games is to stimulate senior adults in Montgomery County to be active in sports and recreational events in order to maintain physical and mental well-being. She stated this year was a special year, as they celebrated 40 years. She stated it was another successful year, with hundreds participating. Councilwoman McCuen stated the Borough was happy to participate and offer Pennypack Community Center for the Dart competition. She stated the Borough is honored to share that our former mayor, Norm Hawks, and Zoning Hearing Board Member, Marty Palmer participated again, and both added more silver and gold to their collection. Councilwoman McCuen stated on behalf of Borough Council Mayor Schultz and staff, congratulations to all who participated.

EVENT REQUEST NOURISHING STORM YOGA: Councilwoman McCuen stated the Borough is in receipt of a Special Event Request from Nourishing Storm Yoga Studio for yoga classes for children and families at the Pennypack Community Center. She stated classes are proposed to take place every Tuesday from 6:15 AM – 7:30

AM and every Saturday from 10:15 AM to 11:30 AM beginning on June 23, 2026. This item has been moved to the voting meeting portion of the agenda for consideration.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE (SHAY/JACOBUS):

2026 ROAD PAVING: Councilwoman Shay stated that Borough Council authorized bidding of the 2026 Road Program at the May meeting. She stated Engineer MacNair completed the bidding process and has prepared a letter of recommendation based on the low bidder. This item has been moved to the voting meeting portion of the agenda for consideration.

SAFETY COMMITTEE: Councilwoman Shay stated the Borough is working on forming a safety committee that encompasses all departments of the Borough. She stated this is being spearheaded by the Public Works and Administration Departments to start. She stated that having this committee will not only help increase the safety of employees throughout the Borough but will help save the Borough funds on annual Workers' Compensation Insurance Premiums. She stated included in the packet is a copy of the sample bylaws and information from Delaware Valley Insurance Trusts on this matter.

Solicitor Geiser stated the bids should be read into the record as well for the 2026 Road Paving.

Councilwoman Shay stated based on the roads selected by Public Works and available liquid fuels fund, the Engineer prepared the option of probable cost for a base bid to pave Wood and Abbotts and alternative bids to pave portions of Horsham Road and/or Broad Street in 2026. She stated bids opened on 6/9 with five bids received. She stated Bray Brothers is the low bidder for the base bid and alternates.

President Reichner stated that the base bid for Wood Street from East Montgomery to the end and Abbotts Lane from W. Moreland to W. Montgomery is \$100,719.50. She stated the alternate bid one which is Horsham Road Eastbound from Continental to Moreboro Road is \$20,264.63 She stated the alternate bid two which is Horsham Road Westbound from South York to Academy Road is \$53,303.36. She stated the alternate bid three, which is Broad Street from W. Moreland Road to W. Monument Avenue is \$57,143.60.

Councilman Smith stated he read over the bids and noticed the Borough was fiscally responsible and picked the low bid. He questioned if the Borough has used any of the contractors before.

Manager Hegele stated the Borough has used Bray Brothers in the past.

Councilman Smith questioned if the Borough was happy with the work that has been completed in the past.

Manager Hegele stated that the Borough has never had any issues with Bray Brothers as long as she has been here.

President Reichner questioned how much money the Borough had for this.

Manager Hegele stated that Liquid Fuels Aid has \$99,438 in M&T and TD has \$201,577.

Councilman Smith stated that if Wood Street is on the list to get done, he suggests that the Borough wait until that construction that's being done at the end of the road is completed on the new home, so that you don't have pavers and heavy equipment ruining a newly paved road.

Manager Hegele stated it could be another month or so before the actual paving begins.

Engineer MacNair stated there is usually about 30 days to get contracts in, returned, and signed, so automatically even after award, there is a month before the process can even get started.

Manager Hegele stated that if Council were to award tonight, they would be looking at maybe a month from now. She stated by the time the Engineer prepares the documents, the contractor returns documents, it's signed by President Reichner and Manager Hegele, there is liquid fuels approval, figuring out the contractors schedule, so the process does not begin right away.

Councilman Smith stated it depends on when the house is finished.

Manager Hegele stated the Borough can have a conversation with the contractor that's building that house to see what they are looking at, and then come back to Council if there any concerns. She stated the Borough could be paving in September or October, but the Borough doesn't want to pave too late because school is back in session, the weather does not cooperate, the Borough cannot pave in the cold.

Engineer MacNair stated the Borough needs PennDOT's approval, which includes timing issues and temperature issues. She stated if the Borough hasn't paved by the end of September, the Borough can't pave again until April of the next year, so the Borough is limited to between April and September to pave in any given year if the Borough is using Liquid Fuels Funding.

Councilman Smith stated he was hoping the paving would be completed during the summer, but without knowing how long that house on Wood is going to take, he would not want to see a conflict where the road pavement will possibly be damaged from the heavy building equipment.

President Reichner stated that house is on the end of Wood Street.

Manager Hegele stated the Borough could ask the contractors to come in off Monument.

President Reichner questioned if anyone on Council had a recommendation for the paving.

Manager Hegele stated the streets listed are the worst streets.

Councilwoman Shay questioned if the Borough had enough money to cover all of it.

Manager Hegele stated there is enough money to do all of it.

President Reichner stated Council would move forward with all of the bids for the 2026 Road Paving. This item has been moved to the voting meeting portion of the agenda for consideration.

ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS & PARKS (MYERS/SMITH)

ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS & PARKS UPDATE: Councilman Meyers stated the Environmental Affairs and Parks Committee would like to offer special recognition to Borough Staff and Public Works. He stated the pool is open, the parks are well maintained, and Hatboro looks beautiful. He stated the work that goes into

making that happen often occurs early in the morning and behind the scenes and does not go unnoticed. He stated thank you to Hatboro Rotary, Public Works, and our local students as the mural installation progresses at Horsham & York Road. He stated Harrisburg-based artist Sarah Fong was joined by helpers from Hatboro Horsham Senior High School for the initial work on (2) 81-foot murals, which highlight the history of the Borough and are funded through donations and a Rotary Foundation grant, and should be completed in the coming weeks, weather permitting. Councilman Myers stated the Environmental Advisory Council met on June 1, and will hold its next regular meeting on July 6. He stated that Mayor Schultz reported that the Borough's CCA plan was presented to a subgroup of the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs, and received an affirmative vote at that level, with a vote before the large body to follow. He stated the EAC discussed better ways to communicate the initiative to residents who had in some cases expressed confusion about the structure of the program and agreed to develop a concise, plain language presentation for Council and for the broader community. He stated members noted that residents who have been walked through the program one on one have responded positively once the concept has been explained clearly. Councilman Myers stated the EAC received report on Montgomery County's household hazardous waste disposal program. He stated they host six events per year throughout the County at locations including Temple University, Ambler, and Norristown High School, and accepts items such as paint, automotive products, medication, and household chemicals. He stated these events are by appointment only, with preregistration. He stated to check the EAC Facebook page, as they plan to share this on a rolling basis. Councilman Myers stated the Pennypack Community Garden has June and July maintenance slots filled, and water service has been restored to the school as of June 3. He stated that deer have been an issue, and the snow fencing perimeter is being restored, and community members are welcome to donate plants at the garden entrance. Councilman Myers stated Bird Town Committee met on May 27 and will meet again on June 24. He stated the traffic box wrap project estimate included in the agenda was inadvertently carried over from the Bird Town agenda, and it will continue to be tracked there, and it's not currently a committee action item. He stated the committee reviewed its work plan in light of Bird Town, Pennsylvania's transition to the Bird Town City Network Framework, which reorganizes priorities into three main categories: habitat and threat to birds, education and engagement, and sustainability. He stated among the new requirements are registering at least three new properties in the bird habitat recognition program and holding an annual World Migratory Bird Day celebration. He stated the committee is working towards these goals, with a member actively pursuing certification of their own properties. He stated the committee discussed summer programming opportunities at Hatboro Memorial Pool, including a short nature education program during Adult Swim, micro invertebrate activity along the creek and informal bird education centers sessions. He stated the pool's location, captive audience, and access to residents was noted as particular advantages. He stated Amber Johnson's Silver Star project, and the installation of bird houses in Crooked Billet Village, is progressing, and she will present to the committee at the June 24 meeting. He stated a tour of the Crooked Billet area to generate programming ideas has been tabled until the summer due to scheduling constraints. Councilman Myers stated the tree tenders have documented 109 living trees and 24 dead trees at the rear of the Pennypack Community Center and have submitted a request to the Shade Tree Commission to plant 24 replacement trees. He stated conversation with Little League field managers is underway to discuss the DCNR plantings in this area. He stated that recaging those trees is a relatively easy, high-value project, estimated roughly \$4 per tree. He stated the tree tenders also wanted to share that the Tree Vitalized program, which was a prior source of our free tree saplings that we had been using as replacements is currently defunct but noted that the PHS fall 2026 bare root tree sale opens in July. He stated the Shade Tree Commission met on June 17 and welcomed a new member Joe Scholl and continues their review of the current Shade Tree ordinance. He stated their next meeting will take place on July 15.

RIPARIAN BUFFER ORDINANCE: Councilman Myers stated included in the packet is a memorandum from EAC Chair Jonathan Pignatelli. He stated it recommends Council formally forward the Riparian Corridor Conservation District ordinance to the Montgomery County Planning Commission for review. He stated this

memorandum states the ordinance was originally requested by Council at the June 1 EAC meeting. He stated the chair reported that the memo was presented to Council in full, and that members acknowledged and engaged with the content, and the EAC remains hopeful that Council will act on the forwarding recommendation this month. He states that the memorandum also covers that the timing is particularly advantageous, as MCPC is currently working on Hatboro's zoning and incorporating the ordinance now avoids the cost and duplication of revisiting zoning later, and the MCPC has expressed that it is equally awaiting the ordinance in action, as it also honors commitments made to steward the Pennypack Community Center parcel, and places the Borough in a better position to capitalize on future grants related to conservation, stormwater management, and climate resilience. He stated Bird Town also supports the ordinance and will draft a letter of support to be reviewed at their upcoming June 24 meeting. This item has been moved to the voting meeting portion of the agenda for consideration.

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT (PENNYPACK BIRD BLIND): Councilman Myers stated that at the April 29th meeting, the Bird Town community reviewed a proposal from Life Scout Adam Hendrickson for a bird blind to be installed at Pennypack Community Garden near the Wildflower Meadow. He stated the proposed design was a three-walled half hexagon structure, approximately six feet wide by eight feet tall, with horizontal viewing slats spaced one to two inches apart. He stated Adam presented the proposal to Council at the May 18th meeting, and the proposed site is close to, but outside of the floodplain, which was the primary Council consideration for new structures in the area. He stated Birdtown committee discussed this project again at its May 27th meeting. He stated placement of the blind was confirmed as an item for the Borough's June agenda, and the committee asked Council to receive the proposal and provide directions so that the project may move forward within any required timeline. This item has been moved to the voting meeting portion of the agenda for consideration.

BIRD TOWN TRAFFIC BOX WRAP: Covered above on Councilman Myers EAC update.

SHADE TREE ANNUAL REPORT: Councilman Myers stated the Environmental Affairs and Parks Committee acknowledges receipt of the Shade Tree Commission's 2026 annual street tree survey covering North York Road, South Rock Road, and Horsham Road, and the full survey is included in the packet. He stated this is a condition assessment of the Borough Street Tree Inventory and highlights several items for Council's attention. He stated of the 152 survey entries, 137 have trees present, and 15 are empty pits with no tree, 121 are in good condition, eight are fair, four are dead, three are damaged and should be replaced, and one is in poor condition, combined with the 15 empty pits, this comes to 23 locations that require new tree plantings, most prevalent maintenance needed across the inventory is mulching, flagged at roughly 77 locations, followed by trimming trunk sprouts or growth over the roadway, and stones or pavers at the base of trees, which restrict root growth and create hazards. He stated three locations on North York Road sustained vehicle damage, and the tree at 221 North York Road has already been removed, leaving an empty pit. He stated two safety concerns that are being monitored are the Linden tree at 77 North York Road, leaning towards the street, should be kept under observation, and the empty pit at 243 South York Road, which requires a stump removal and sidewalk repair. He stated that as Council reviews the status of street trees, Shade Tree Commission does not have the authority to grant permission for work on Borough property on its own. He stated the permit process for all shade tree work within the Borough, whether by residents, property owners, or the commission itself, requires that a permit application be brought to Borough Hall, where staff log it and follow established procedures to have it reviewed and approved by the Shade Tree Commission. He stated any tree work should proceed through that channel rather than through direct authorization by commission members. This item has been moved to the voting meeting portion of the agenda for consideration.

Councilman Smith questioned the three trees that were hit by cars, does the Borough receive a report or compensation for those.

Manager Hegele stated yes, anytime a vehicle strikes any Borough-owned parking meters, traffic lights, streetlights, trees, everything, staff work in conjunction with the police department when they're finished their investigation. She stated the police release the information to us, and then staff pursues the claim with their insurance company to be recouped for all costs, including any staff cost as well.

Councilman Smith questioned if the Borough was reimbursed for the one in the report.

Manager Hegele stated she believes the Borough has been reimbursed but not for everything yet, as there may be one open still. She stated staff stays on top of that because residents should not have to pay for people who drive through town and have accidents.

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE (HENDRICKSON/MYERS)

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS: Councilwoman Hendrickson stated the following meeting dates:

- Birdtown Committee- Wednesday June 24, 7pm Borough Hall
- Capital Budget Workshop- Monday June 29, 6pm Borough Hall
- Environmental Affairs Committee- Monday July 6, 7pm Borough Hall
- Historical Commission- Tuesday July 7, 7pm Pennypack
- Planning Commission- Tuesday July 14, 7pm at Borough Hall
- Committee/Council Meeting- Monday July 20, 7pm Borough Hall
- Birdtown Committee- Wednesday June 24, 7pm Borough Hall
- Zoning Hearing Board- No meeting in July

WEST MORELAND AVENUE BRIDGE PROJECT UPDATE: Councilwoman Hendrickson stated the construction of the bridge abutment and foundations has recently been completed on the Hatboro side in anticipation of the pool opening. She stated this should somewhat reduce the volume of construction traffic on the pool / park side of the bridge, although they still need to access their yard in the park. She stated the Contractor is currently moving over to the Upper Moreland side to work on the foundations and abutment construction. She stated the county notified the Borough during this interaction of the construction of a temporary footbridge across the creek for access, for construction personnel only, and will be marked accordingly. She stated the footbridge is not safe for the public to use.

ZONING RE-WRITE UPDATE: Councilwoman Hendrickson stated the county has provided a draft copy of the proposed zoning. She stated copies were sent to the Planning Commission, Council, Solicitor and Planner Kennedy. She stated staff and Planner Kennedy are currently reviewing. She stated the Planning Commission plans on meeting in July and review the changes/comments from staff and then make a recommendation to send to council for discussion.

PENNYPACK MICROSCHOOL LEASE: Councilwoman Hendrickson stated the Borough has an interested micro homeschool that wants to lease space at Pennypack. She stated the committee has been working with the school representatives and staff. She stated some questions have come up recently about the lease, so this item will be on a future meeting agenda to discuss.

LIBRARY BOARD APPOINTMENT: Councilwoman Hendrickson stated that Council is still accepting letters of interest for the library board position.

PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTMENT: Councilwoman Hendrickson stated that the Borough is in receipt of a letter of interest from resident Martina Kernosh who is interested in serving on the Borough's Planning Commission. She stated, if appointed, Martina will fill Tom Smith's seat on the Planning Commission and her term will end on December 31, 2029. This item has been moved to the voting meeting portion of the agenda for consideration.

CIVIL SERVICE APPOINTMENT: Councilwoman Hendrickson stated as Council is aware, Civil Service Commission member, Allen Mosebach, passed away last month. She stated resident Jane Molt is interested in serving on the Commission as Allen's replacement. She stated Chief Ruegg has been consulted about this appointment and is in favor of Ms. Molt being appointed to Civil Service.

OLD BUSINESS & UPDATES: None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Marianne Reymer 120 Summit Avenue- Ms. Reymer stated that with all of the vacancies created through Tom's promotion to Council, she would ask Council in the future to limit positions to one position per person. She stated Tom wore three hats at one time, and thank you to him, but now Council has three holes to fill so if may be more effective one position per person, and it also allows more opportunities for other residents to participate. She stated that she has been waiting for some announcement regarding the opening of the civil service position seeking interested parties' submission and she did not see any public notification as this was a position she would have been interested in.

Manager Hegele stated on the website that there is something that says the Borough is seeking general volunteers only. She does not recall if something was posted for the specific openings. She stated Council does not have to appoint tonight, they can wait, and staff can put something out for it.

President Reichner stated she would rather do that.

Manager Hegele stated that it can be moved to July. She stated she does not believe there is a need currently for Civil Service Commission to meet so there is nothing pressing at this moment. She stated if anything does come up, two are sufficient on that committee. She stated the Borough is still also looking for the Library Board because the person that the Borough thought was interested reached out and said she cannot put the time into it and doesn't feel that it would be prudent for her to come forward now and take on something and not honor the commitment. She stated that the Chief just mentioned civil service has always had an alternate, but the Borough has not been able to fill that, so technically there are two openings on the civil service.

ADJOURNMENT: President Reichner adjourned the May 18, 2026, Committee Meeting at 8:51 PM.

JUNE 22, 2026 COUNCIL/VOTING MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: President Reichner called the May 18, 2026, Council/Voting Meeting to order at 8:51 PM.

MEETING NOTES: President Reichner reviewed the public comment policy for addressing Council, time allotment, etc.

PUBLIC COMMENT – (Voting Items Only): None

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Schultz stated school is out, the pool is open, and summers in full swing. He stated come on into the Borough for some ice cream treats, tasty hot dogs, pizza, tacos, or cheese steaks. He stated our restaurants and food shops are humming right along and please make sure to patronize our local family establishments. Mayor Schultz stated the second cruise night was last Friday, and thank you to our Police Department, Kathy at the Chamber, the cruisers, and the crowd, because it was a perfect evening in the Borough. He stated they also collected a car full of non-perishable food donations from the very charitable community. He stated the next cruise night is Friday, July 17th, which is one week before the car show. He stated the Chamber of Commerce presents the monthly Chamber Connections, a gathering of local businesses to share stories and learn more about our business community as the Borough continues to grow. He stated this month, they are very excited to be hosted by the Station of Hatboro, 37 North York Road, directly across from the Hatboro Baptist Church. He stated the meet and greet is tomorrow evening, June 23rd and he hopes to see everybody there. He stated it will be between 5pm and 7pm, and complimentary food and beverage will be served, and the Station will be conducting tours of the new apartments as they are very eager to show the town what they've been doing for the last couple years over there. Mayor Schultz stated July's Chamber Connection will be hosted by Cerenity Sips Winery, 31 S. York Road, and that will be on Tuesday, July 28th. Mayor Schultz stated as discussed, there will be a children's event at Pennypack where kids are going to decorate their bikes, and it should be fun. He stated that will be followed by a special reading of the Declaration of Independence at the Union Library of Hatboro at 11:30am. Mayor Schultz stated in just over a month, on Saturday July 25th, the Moonlight Memories car show will take place. The Borough, Chief Ruegg, Public Works, Enterprise Fire, and Second Alarmers are all working on a street plan for traffic and parking due to the closure. He stated with the Moreland Avenue Bridge, they are advising people to be aware of street closings and restricted traffic patterns. He stated they will continue to update the community with more information via the Borough website and Facebook page, and the Chamber website and Facebook page. Mayor Schultz stated that he hopes everyone have a fun and safe summer, and make sure to check on your seniors when things get hot out there.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: President Reichner stated it has been a busy few weeks since the last meeting. She stated she was fortunate to have attended the annual Pennsylvania State Association of Borough's Conference at the beginning of June in Hershey. She stated she attended some informative sessions and learned about interesting initiatives other Boroughs are pursuing, and how they are paying for them. She stated she also met some people with great ideas who could help the Borough bring some of our dreams and goals to fruition. She stated the Borough may be small in area, but have a growing number of residents, and helping them feel part of the community and giving everyone who lives here a place that is safe, welcoming, and has plenty of opportunities to get involved with neighbors, is what makes Hatboro so special. She stated she felt very lucky to represent the Borough in Hershey, and she is thankful the resolutions the Borough brought to Hershey were both approved by the PSAB. She stated those resolutions were for the CCA, and the Kratom Resolution, thank

you to Gillian from Gillian the Salon for bringing this to our attention. President Reichner stated she is hopeful that the Borough will hear more soon from Harrisburg about regulating Kratom and making it harder for young people and everyone to get their hands on it. She stated The Hatboro pool is open and in full swing and Sparta is running the snack stand for us as long as that vote passes now, and if you haven't been in there yet, you should stop by and get yourself some delicious treats. She stated her kids love the exotic ice cream, it's pretty good, and they have some very interesting flavors. She stated the Borough has a lot of events this summer, so please come out and support our amazing businesses and meet some new neighbors.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Manager Hegele gave the Treasurer's report for the month. She stated for the period ending May 31, 2026, the balance in all accounts was \$6,844,339.65. She stated the interest earned for May was \$3,090.47.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Solicitor Geiser stated it was a slow month and has no report.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Engineer MacNair stated she has no updates to the report that was submitted.

MANAGER'S REPORT: Manager Hegele stated the Borough recently partnered with the School District to mentor two young men who are in the Strive Program at HHHS. She stated both young men worked two days a week in Borough Hall assisting with basic assignments while learning how government worked, working with others and spending time in an office environment to prepare them to enter the workforce and it was a pleasure working with both young men and we hope to partner with the district again in September. Manager Hegele stated that the pool closure on Sunday was due to an unfortunate bird strike on one of the poles in the park, the bird took out one phase of electric that supplied the power to the filter house. She stated PECO finally arrived and fixed the issue, and the pool was open by 4 PM. She stated thank you to our PW Foreman and Assistant Foreman for their time on Father's Day to make sure the pool was open at least part of the day. Manager Hegele stated the EPA notified the Borough that they will be doing some additional testing in existing test pits around the superfund site as well as at another location. She stated the test pits are in the right of way and the Borough will share information when the EPA will be out; they need to send out notices to area homeowners first. She stated residents should follow our Facebook page and website as the Borough will share info once the EPA sends to us. Manager Hegele stated that Pennypack Water has been repaired, thank you to public works for your work on this and getting the water back on to the building. Manager Hegele stated in regard to the West Moreland Avenue Bridge Project, County was contacted about some concerns with E&S Controls on site, MCCD performed an inspection, and the violations noted were corrected. She stated staff will continue to monitor this project and the controls on site. Manager Hegele stated that she is working with the Recycling Consortium as well as the UMHJSA to schedule tours for Council and staff to visit the recycling center in KOP and the Sewer Plant in Upper Moreland. Manager Hegele stated she Attended the PSAB conference in Hershey with Council President Reichner. She stated they went to a number of valuable sessions, networked with other Borough's and met with vendors. She stated Council President Reichner also accepted the PSAB annual Newsletter award recognizing again the Hatboro Happenings Newsletter.

Mark Hanisco 120 Summit Avenue- Mr. Hanisco questioned if the fix at Pennypack was permanent or temporary.

Manager Hegele stated it was fixed permanently.

Mr. Hanisco questioned what the cost was.

Manager Hegele stated she did not have that currently. She stated it was all done in house by our employees.

Mr. Hanisco questioned if it was sleeved or not.

Manager Hegele stated that it was sleeved at the top part and some other minor repairs were made.

STAFF REPORTS

POLICE: Chief Ruegg stated that this morning at 9:18am, officers along with Upper Moreland Police Department responded to a vehicle crash involving a pedestrian on South Warminster Road and Mill Road. He stated the involved vehicle and the driver remained on scene. He stated unfortunately, a 47-year-old male was transported to Jefferson Abington Hospital for treatment. He stated as of 5pm this evening, the male was still receiving treatment at the hospital, and was still listed in critical condition and prayers for that gentleman and his family. He stated the crash is currently being investigated and at this time there are no further details regarding that. Chief Ruegg stated a reminder that Paul Miller's law, the cell phone law, went into effect earlier in June and you can now receive a citation if you are pulled over for using your cell phone or any other handheld device and in addition, it is still a violation if you're stopped at a traffic light, no matter what. He stated if you're in a car and you're in the driver's seat, you can't have the phone in your hand, it's got to be mounted, and hands free. Chief Ruegg stated that the PD took delivery last week of the two speed displays that were ordered and approved in the budget for this year and those should be installed in the coming weeks, working to coordinate with Public Works for their installation. He stated thanks to the Engineer who took care of the permits, and all the PennDOT paperwork was signed, finalized, and now last step is to get the materials in. Chief Ruegg stated the car show preparations are underway, and due to the bridge closure, there are going to be a lot of temporary no parking regulations in place throughout the Borough. He stated once that plan is finalized those road closures and temporary no parking restrictions will be communicated ahead of time. Chief Ruegg stated the PD has received one of the two police cars that were ordered, and the PD expects to take delivery of the second car late June, early July. He stated that when the PD gets complaints from residents, the speed display signs are deployed and sometimes they are put into stealth mode to collect data. He stated there is now a spot on the website under the resources tab, where the results of those studies will be posted.

TAX COLLECTIONS: The Tax Collector Report was submitted in advance.

PUBLIC WORKS: Manager Hegele stated that it has been very busy for the PW Department. She stated they recently hosted Bucket Truck training; residents may have seen them as well as other PW Departments in Miller Meadow. She stated thank you to our insurance carrier DV Trusts for supplying the valuable training. She stated Public Works will continue to look at other ways to train, and training is a big part of the job; everyone goes home at the end of the day. She stated Public Works are happy to be a part of the Safety Committee that the council is considering this evening. Manager Hegele stated that today work began on the Madison Avenue sinkhole issue that has been discussed in previous council meetings. She stated they excavated today and made repairs to the pipe. She stated fortunately, the issues were caught in time and were not significant repairs and our staff was able to do this work in house. She stated that the talent our Borough has in the PW Department saves the taxpayers a lot of money using their own experience, training, and expertise to do the work. She stated she was on site today and am impressed at the work our men can do. She stated when other municipalities are outsourcing, we work to keep everything in house. She stated PW is working with Eagle

Scout Aiden Wills on his project in Miller Meadow. She stated his project is a Story Walk. Manager Hegele stated the scouts have been busy in Cressbrook painting and putting together story books and posts and thank you to all who donated as well as purchased story book posts. She stated PW Staff marked the area with PA One Calls and dug the holes for the project, and the Eagle Scout and his fellow scouts have been working on installing. She stated if you wish to purchase or donate, you can find info on Facebook. Manager Hegele stated that Public Works was proud to assist the Rotary with the mural, our staff power washed the bridge as well as made sure the area was safe for the artist and students to paint.

DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT UPDATE: Manager Hegele provided the Downtown Development report on behalf of Mr. Barth. Mr. Barth reported the following:

Mr. Barth continues to work with new businesses. She stated that Mr. Barth is working with a potential new business for the former Ross site and more information will follow on that. Mr. Barth is working with staff and the Downtown Development Committee as well as the Montgomery Planning Commission on changes to our sign ordinance that is still in the works and stay tuned for a draft ordinance to come before Council. She stated he's also putting together a matrix that includes vacancies and the number of vacancy rates since 2008 through 2026. She stated he's also working on planning and visioning who we are and what we want to be, and he's also attended several business meetings with several business owners, and he continues to work with some potential new business owners to open. She stated we have a coffee shop that's going to be opening on Penn Street that he's working, and he has met with the Macha spot out at York and Horsham. She stated they wanted to recognize two businesses; Midnight Mass is celebrating two years in the Borough on North York Road, and Bob Johnston, State Farm, he's celebrating 30 years in business, and the Borough wants to congratulate all business owners on milestones, and staff is going to try to work on getting more of that information out as time permits.

FIRE MARSHAL REPORT: Fire Marshal Valesky reported the following for the month of May:

INSPECTIONS:

50 Commercial Fire Inspections (YTD: 64) **0** Fire Re-inspection

14 Residential U&O Inspections (YTD: 32) **0** Residential U&O reinspection

12 Units/ **5** Properties Rental Inspections (YTD: 60 Units/45 Properties) **0** Rental Re-inspection

FIRE CALLS/INVESTIGATIONS:

12 Fire Calls (YTD: 56)

1 Investigations (YTD: 5).

SMOKE DETECTOR INSTALLS: Installed **7** smoke alarms (YTD: 27)

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE:

Received **76** complaints (End of Apr: **287**). The breakdown is as follows:

28 Work w/o permit complaints

1 Unregistered rental complaint

2 Unregistered business complaints

29 Grass/tree/overgrowth complaints

5 Safety/Fire complaints (failed wall, fence, wires)

9 Misc. complaints (zoning)

0 Shade Tree (York Rd trees)

Fire Marshal Valesky provided the following safety message:

June is #SummerReady. Let's talk about flooding safety.

More deaths occur from flooding than any other weather hazard except heat. The 30-yr national average for flood deaths is 88, 41 for lightning strikes, and 68 for tornadoes.

More than 50% of flash flood fatalities are vehicle related. Flash floods are caused by slow moving thunderstorms, storms that repeatedly move over the same area, or heavy rains from tropical storms and hurricanes.

6 inches of fast-moving water can knock adults off their feet and sweep them away.

12 inches of moving water can carry a small car.

18-24 inches of moving water can carry away larger vehicles including trucks, vans, and SUVs.

If you come to an area that is covered with water, you may not know the depth of the water or the condition of the roadway underneath. Turn Around, Don't Drown.

FIRE COMPANY REPORT: Fire Marshal Valesky provided the statistics for May:

The fire company responded to 24 calls for the month, 16 in the Borough of Hatboro, 8 to surrounding townships (2 to Horsham, 4 to Warminster, 2 to Lower Moreland). She stated there were no events for June, and on Wednesday nights the fire company continued their training on building familiarization and with some new equipment that was received, and just a reminder, that the fire company is always looking for new members, so come on down any Wednesday at 7pm and volunteer your time.

SECOND ALARMERS REPORT: The Second Alarmer's report was submitted in advance.

UNION LIBRARY REPORT: The library report was submitted in advance.

Merrie Keller 110 W. Monument Avenue- Ms. Keller questioned what item number 10, the Bird Town traffic box wrap was.

Councilman Myers stated that was inadvertently included as it was supposed to be included on the Bird Town agenda. He stated it is still with the Bird Town and it is a mural that would be painted on a traffic box.

President Reichner stated at this time she needed a motion to open the agenda and add Sparta as a potential vendor for the snack stand. Motion was made by Councilwoman McCuen and seconded by Councilwoman Hendrickson.

Solicitor Geiser stated by way of background as to why Council is doing this; this was brought up during a public comment, and Council decided to add this on. She stated Council had previously put out an RFP, they had a vendor that had responded, then withdrew, and subsequently Sparta has stepped in. She stated to make it formal and official, Council is now proposing to amend the agenda to add it on, and that's why it wasn't on the agenda previously.

A vote was cast, all ayes. Motion carried 6-0 to open the agenda and add Sparta as a potential vendor for the snack stand.

ORDER OF BUSINESS & VOTING ITEMS

ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF REPORTS

Councilwoman Hendrickson motioned to acknowledge receipt of Public Works, Fire Marshal, Treasurer's

Reports, EAC Minutes, Bird Town Minutes and UMHJSA Minutes. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Shay. A vote was cast, all ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

APPROVAL OF WARRANT LIST, PAYMENT OF BILLS, MANUAL CHECKS AND TRANSFERS

Councilman Myers motioned to approve Warrant List, Payment of Bills, Manual Checks, and Transfers for the month of June 2026. Motion was seconded by Councilman Smith. A vote was cast, all ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

MAY 18, 2026, COMMITTEE/COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Councilman Myers motioned to approve the May 18, 2026, Committee/Council Meeting Minutes. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hendrickson. Councilwoman Shay abstained. A vote was cast, all ayes. Motion carried 5-0 with one abstention.

ON-STREET PARKING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

Councilwoman Shay motioned to direct staff to establish a town hall date for residents who reside on the Parking Commission's list of streets being proposed for on-street parking restrictions. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman McCuen. A vote was cast, all ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

UNION LIBRARY EXPENDITURE LIST

Councilman Myers motioned to approve the Union Library Expenditure List for the month of May 2026 in the amount of \$21,730. Motion was seconded by Councilman Smith. A vote was cast, all ayes. Motion carried 6-0. Councilwoman Hendrickson motioned to approve the Union Library Expenditure List for the month of February 2026 in the amount of \$31,006. Motion was seconded by Councilman Myers. A vote was cast, all ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

EVENT REQUEST: NOURISHING STORM YOGA

Councilwoman Shay motioned to approve the special event request submitted by Nourishing Storm for Yoga classes at the Pennypack Community Center on Tuesday and Saturdays beginning June 23rd, 2026. Motion seconded by Councilwoman McCuen. A vote was cast, all ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

2026 ROAD PAVING

Councilwoman Hendrickson motioned to award for the 2026 road paving program to Bray Brothers in the amount of \$231,431.09. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman McCuen. A vote was cast, all ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

RIPARIAN BUFFER ORDINANCE

Councilman Myers motioned to authorize to direct staff to work with county and planner to begin review of the Riparian Buffer Ordinance. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hendrickson. A vote was cast, all ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT: Pennypack Bird Blind

Councilman Myers motioned to authorize Eagle Scout Adam Hendrickson to begin fundraising and planning for this project. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman McCuen. Councilwoman Hendrickson abstained. A vote was cast, all ayes. Motion carried 6-0 with one abstention.

BIRD TOWN TRAFFIC BOX WRAP:

This was removed and no action taken as it was inadvertently placed on the council agenda.

SHADE TREE ANNUAL REPORT

Councilman Myers motioned to accept the annual report submitted. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hendrickson. A vote was cast, all ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

PENNYPACK MICRO SCHOOL LEASE

This was tabled until next month.

LIBRARY BOARD APPOINTMENT

This was tabled until next month.

PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTMENT

Councilman Smith motioned to appoint Martina Kernosh to the planning commission, her term would end on December 31st, 2027. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hendrickson. A vote was cast, all ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

CIVIL SERVICE APPOINTMENT

This was tabled until next month.

SNACKSTAND RFP

Councilwoman Hendrickson motioned to approve the lease for the 2026 Pool Season for the snack stand to Sparta Convenience Store. Motion was seconded by Councilman Myers. A vote was cast, all ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

OLD BUSINESS AND UPDATES: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Marianne Reymer 120 Summit Avenue- Ms. Reymer stated that in April she asked about Steve Barth having a contract, goals, and objectives. She stated at that time she received some answers but was told the committee was going to meet with Mr. Barth. She stated she would like to inquire if that has happened and what the status was.

President Reichner stated the committee did meet with Mr. Barth and they went over the goals they had for him, but no contract was signed. She stated there was a memorandum of understanding with him, which covers all of the things the Borough is looking for from him. She stated it was made more specific and he has shown he is making progress on those goals.

John Kirby 237 Jacksonville Road- Mr. Kirby questioned if the new apartments would offer affordable housing for disabilities, elders and low-income people.

Mayor Schultz stated unfortunately there is no requirement or ordinance on the new apartment building projects for low rent housing.

Mark Hanisco 120 Summit Avenue- Mr. Hanisco stated that twice today he saw the young, unhoused lady almost get run over by motorists and she had headphones in. He questioned if the Police could remind her to be careful.

Gary Blickley 46 Harding Avenue- Mr. Blickley stated that since we are halfway through the year he was wondering with the workshop next Monday, would residents get to see a budget update for where we are at this year.

Manager Hegele stated staff is currently working on it and would hope to have it for the July or August meetings.

ADJOURNMENT- Councilman Smith motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:31 PM. Motion was seconded by Councilman Myers. All ayes. Motion carried 6-0.