

BOROUGH OF HATBORO
MONDAY, AUGUST 18, 2025.
COMMITTEE MEETING

PRESENT – President Bollendorf, Councilman Myers, Councilwoman Jacobus, Councilwoman Shay, Councilwoman Hendrickson, Manager Hegele, Assistant Secretary DeRenzi, Fire Marshal Valesky, Chief Ruegg, Solicitor Geiser, Engineer MacNair, EFC VP Ide, Treasurer Smith, and Library Representative Smith were present.

ABSENT – Vice President Reichner, Councilman Hoover, and Mayor Schultz were excused.

CALL TO ORDER – President Bollendorf called the August 18, 2025, Committee Meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

INVOCATION – Manager Hegele stated The Mayor sends his apologies for missing the meeting this evening and she has some sad news to share as longtime PC member and resident who sat in almost all council meetings, Ron Battis passed away last week. We were also notified that his partner in crime who sat with him at the same meetings, Bruce Hart also passed away last month. I am sure they are attending meetings in heaven now and asking lots of questions and being that informed resident.

Mighty God we lift our government leaders, give them the wisdom and integrity. Help them to lead with compassion and humility always seeking the common good. May our discussions tonight be productive, our decisions wise, and our interactions filled with respect and understanding.

Bless us with unity and clarity as we work together towards our common goals.

I am asking everyone to bow their heads and have a moment of silence for Mr. Battis.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Chief Ruegg led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEETING NOTES – President Bollendorf reviewed the Public Comment Policy on the back of the agenda with regards to addressing Council and time allotment.

President Bollendorf announced an executive session regarding a legal matter.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Gary Blickley, 46 Harding Avenue, stated that the new signage at Milliner Lofts creates an urban environment and that Council needs to consider or all spaces and developments as all other developments do not have separate signage.

Kelly A 'Harrah, 145 W. Lehman Avenue, stated that the members of the EAC were not informed about the appointment of a new Chair and feels that it is unprofessional and not courteous that there is no specific language regarding who appoints the chair. She also stated that she would like Council to amend the EAC to give the power to appoint their own Board and make their own decisions.

NEW BUSINESS

1) Public Safety Committee

- **ENTERPRISE FIRE COMPANY EXPENDITURE LIST** – Councilwoman Jacobus stated included in your packet is the Enterprise Fire Company Expenditure list for the month of July 2025 in the amount of \$12,124.51. This item has been moved to the voting meeting portion of the agenda for consideration.
- **ENTERPRISE FIRE COMPANY CAPITAL TRANSFER** - Councilwoman Jacobus stated Enterprise Fire Company has requested that a total of \$200,000.00 be transferred from the Fire Protection Fund to the Fire Capital Fund which serves as a savings account for future capital purchases by the Fire Company. This is a yearly housekeeping transfer that is made in as requested by Enterprise Fire Company. We are asking Council to approve the transfer of the funds. This item is listed on the voting meeting portion of the agenda for consideration.

2) Finance/Grants Committee

- **UNION LIBRARY EXPENDITURE LIST** – Councilman Myers stated included in your packet is a copy of the Union Library Expenditure List for the month of July 2025 in the amount of \$ 41,089.00. This item is listed on the voting meeting portion of the agenda.
- **ADA PLAYGROUND GRANT UPDATE** – Councilman Myers stated Gilmore & Associates is currently working on an environmental assessment that HUD is requiring before the Borough can proceed with the grant. We will have further updates on this project once the environmental assessment is completed.
- **QUARTER 2 BUDGET UPDATE** – Manager Hegele gave a Quarter 2 Budget Update presentation which showed 97.7% collected tax wise, comparison to 2024 looking good, and gave grant and expenditure updates.
- **LOCAL SHARE ACCOUNT GRANT APPLICATION RESOLUTION AMENDMENT** – Councilman Myers stated As Council is aware, you passed a resolution at the July meeting authorizing Chief Ruegg to apply for a Local Share Account Grant for movable barriers for the Emergency Management team. After the resolution was passed, Chief Ruegg began working on the grant application and realized that there was a typo on the amount of funding requested on the resolution. As a result, we are requesting to amend this resolution to list the correct amount of funds for the equipment (\$379,990 vs.

\$339,990). As a reminder, this is a no match grant, so there is no cost to the Borough if the funding for this equipment is awarded. This item is listed on the voting meeting portion of the agenda for consideration.

- 24-28 S. YORK ROAD FINANCIAL SECURITY RELEASE #2 – Councilman Myers stated Included in your packet is a memo from Engineer MacNair requesting Financial Security Release #2 for the Milliner Lofts Project in the amount of \$195,912.00. This proposed amount is in accordance with improvements performed by the developer to date. If approved, the total amount of escrow remaining in the developer's letter of 2 credit will be \$125,309.40. This item is listed on the voting meeting portion of the agenda for consideration.
- 21-23 & 37 N. YORK ROAD FINANCIAL SECURITY RELEASE #1 – Councilman Myers stated Included in your packet is a memo from Engineer MacNair requesting financial security release #1 in the amount of \$1,474,923.15. This proposed amount is in accordance with improvements performed by the developer to date. If approved, the total amount of escrow remaining in the developer's letter of credit will be \$771,767.45. This item is listed on the voting meeting portion of the agenda for consideration.
- MAIN STREET MATTERS RESOLUTION - Councilman Myers stated At the July meeting, Borough Council authorized Manager Hegele to apply for a Main Street Matters Grant through DCED. Manager Hegele spoke with a representative from the Main Street Matters program, and they indicated that a resolution will be required from the Borough when the application is submitted. Included in your packet is a copy of a resolution memorializing application to the Main Street Matters Program for a business development strategy planning grant for York Road. This item is listed on the voting meeting portion of the agenda for consideration.

3) Community Outreach & Events Committee

- UPCOMING EVENTS – Councilwoman Hendrickson stated the following events are taking place in Hatboro over the next month: a) Senior Bingo – Pennypack Community Center on 8/20/25 from 10-11. b) Senior Swim at The Hatboro Pool: Seniors 55 years of age and over are welcome to swim at the Hatboro Pool from 12 PM to 4 PM on August 20th for the last Senior Swim of the 2025 pool season! This event is free to attend for seniors that are Hatboro Residents (pay taxes to the Borough of Hatboro) and Veterans. A \$5.00 admission fee will be charged to any Non-Resident Seniors. c) Senior Movie Day – Pennypack Community Center on 8/27/2025 from 10-12. Movie TBD. d) Red Cross Hands Only CPR Class – Pennypack Community Center on 9/3/2025 from 10-11. e) Hungry Hideaway Outdoor Dining Area: The Hungry Hideaway Outdoor Dining Area will be hosted on East Monument Avenue from Friday, September 5th through Sunday, September 7. Please visit the Borough website for information on traffic restrictions in the area while the dining area is in place. f) First Friday: Join the Hatboro Chamber of Commerce and local businesses on Friday, September 5, 2025, from 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM along York Road. This event will feature activities, specials from businesses, and more throughout our business district. g) Arts and Crafts Block Show: Businesses along the 100-200 Block of North York Road will be hosting an Arts and Crafts Block Show on Friday, September 5th from 5:30 to 8:30 PM. h) Children's Entrepreneur Market: The Children's Entrepreneur Market has returned for 2025! The Hatboro Chamber of Commerce is partnering with local, children owned businesses to hold this special market featuring a wide variety of goods on Saturday, 9/6/2025. This event will take place from 10 AM to 1 PM in Miller Meadow (across the street from the Borough of Hatboro Municipal Building – 414 S. York Road, Hatboro, PA 19040.) Come on out to support these young businessmen and businesswomen! i) Fall Book Sale: Join the Union Library of Hatboro for their Fall Book Sale on Saturday, September 6, 2025 from 9 AM – 2 PM. This event takes place at the Union Library facility located at 243 S. York Road, Hatboro, PA 19040. j) Hatboro Rotary Lobster Pot – The annual Hatboro Rotary Lobster Pot will be taking place in Hatboro Memorial Park behind the Hatboro Memorial Pool on 9/6/2025 from 4-9 PM. Tickets are available at Hatboro Federal or from your favorite Rotarian. k) Senior Chair Yoga – Pennypack Community Center on 9/10/2025 from 10-11. l) Senior Bingo – Pennypack Community Center on 9/17/2025 from 10- 11. m) Cruise Night/Food Drive/Family Fun Night: Join the Hatboro Chamber of Commerce for a Cruise around Hatboro! The final Cruise Night of 2025 will be taking place from 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM on September 19, 2025. n) Sidewalk Sale: Join the Hatboro Chamber of Commerce and your favorite local businesses in a special Sidewalk Sale on Saturday, September 20, 2025, from 10 AM to 3 PM. This event will be taking place along the York Road business district. Make sure to come out and shop small! o) Party in the Park – SAVE THE DATE - Join us at the Pennypack Community Center on 9/26/2025 from 5-8:30 PM. Celebrate the final 2025 party in the park with fireworks beginning at 8:00 PM.
- NEW BUSINESSES – Councilwoman Hendrickson stated there are no new businesses to announce this month.
- PECO GREEN REGION GRANT FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT – Councilwoman Hendrickson stated on August 5, 2025, Councilman Don Hoover and Mayor Tim Schultz were presented \$7,500 in grant funding through the PECO Green Region Grant funded by Natural Lands for improvements at the Pennypack Community Center! Each year, this program awards funding to environmentally friendly projects that aim to preserve, protect, and improve open spaces. For the 2025 grant round, the Borough of Hatboro was funded this \$7,500 in funding for energy efficient LED 3 lighting upgrades at the Pennypack Community Center! We are so grateful to have been selected by PECO and Natural Lands for this project!
- MONTCO ROOTS EVENT ANNOUNCEMENT – Councilwoman Hendrickson stated join the Montgomery County Recorder of Deeds, Jeanne Sorg, and representatives in her office for the Montco Roots Presentation! This event will be taking place on October 29, 2025, beginning at 6 PM at the Pennypack Community Center. Come learn about the different types of documents that are recorded with the Recorder of Deeds Office and look at some of the interesting historical details that

you can find in those documents! For more information, please contact the Montgomery County Recorder of Deeds office at 610-278-3289. The event is open to everyone – you do not need to be a Hatboro resident to attend!

- SPECIAL EVENT REQUEST: 2026 EARTH DAY – Councilman Hoover stated Included in your packet is a Special Event Request from the EAC for Earth Day 2026 to be held on 4/11/26 from 10-3 at Pennypack. This item has been moved to the 8/18/25 Council agenda for consideration.
- SPECIAL EVENT REQUEST: BIG TREES – FRIEND OR FOE PRESENTATION – Councilman Hoover stated Included in your packet is a Special Event Request from the EAC for a Big Trees – Friend or Foe workshop to be held 9/17/2025 from 5:30 - 6:55 PM in Borough Hall. This item has been moved to the 8/18/25 Council agenda for consideration.
- SPECIAL EVENT REQUESTS: LINKED SOULS PARANORMAL (8/17 & 9/14) – Councilman Hoover stated Included in your packet are two Special Event Requests from Linked Souls Paranormal for 8/17/2025 and 9/14/2025 at Pennypack. As in the past, portions of ticket sales for these events benefit the Pennypack Community Center. Because this group has already used the Pennypack Community Center in the past, their event request for August 17th was approved by Manager Hegele. Council will need to ratify the 8/17/2025 request and consider approving the 9/14/2025 request during the Council meeting. This item has been moved to the 8/18/25 Council agenda for consideration.
- SPECIAL EVENT REQUEST: HATBORO HORSHAM HAWKS BINGO FUNDRAISER – Councilman Hoover stated: Included in your packet is a Special Event Request from Hatboro Horsham Hawks for a Bingo fundraiser to be held on 11/7/2025 at Pennypack. This item has been moved to the 8/18/25 Council agenda for consideration.
- SPECIAL EVENT REQUEST: KAT HALL WIFFLE BALL – Councilman Hoover stated Included in your packet is a Special Event Request for the Kat Hall Wiffle Ball Event to be held on 8/31/2025 at the Hatboro Little Field. This item has been moved to the 8/18/25 Council agenda for consideration.
- LOBSTER POT PARKING REMINDER – Councilman Hoover stated this year's Lobster Pot event will take place on Saturday, September 6, 2025, from 4 PM – 9 PM in Memorial Park. This annual event is a fun-filled way to raise money for community charities! Everyone is welcome and tickets are available for sale at Hatboro Federal and through your local Rotarians! On this day, there will be increased traffic and street parking due to the number of attendees for this event (approximately 400 persons are expected). We are encouraging attendees to park in the Memorial Park parking lot and the Memorial Pool parking lot; however, due to the number of guests expected, street parking will need to be utilized by many. If you see any cars parked illegally or blocking driveways, please call the non-emergency line for the Hatboro Police Department (215-675-2832). This event is a great way to interact with people from the Hatboro Community while having a great time and we hope to see you there!

4) Public Works Committee

- 2025 ROAD PAVING PROGRAM – Councilwoman Shay stated Engineer MacNair is working with PennDOT on the required project approvals for the 2025 Road Paving Program and working with the contractor on necessary information needed for the contract. Once we know when work is scheduled to begin, we will let Council and residents know of any road restrictions, schedules, etc. The contractor will also be required to notify impacted residents as a part of the project.

5) Environmental Affairs and Parks

- EAC UPDATE – Councilwoman Hendrickson stated the Environmental Advisory Council met on Monday, August 4, and gave updates on the NexTrek Challenge, Earth Day 2026, Summer Presentations, Borough, Bird Town, and Tree Tender updates. They also discussed the Riparian Corridor Conservation District Ordinance. Their next meeting is September 3, 2025.
- EAGLE SCOUT STORY WALK PROJECT – Councilwoman Hendrickson stated At the May 19, 2025, Council Meeting, Eagle Scout, Aidan Wills gave a presentation on a story walk that he would like to construct for his Eagle Scout Project. As presented, this project would take place in Miller Meadow and Aidan would be performing fundraising efforts to raise funds for the project with a proposed installation date of March 2026. Aidan has reached out to Manager Hegele asking that Borough Council authorize him to proceed with fundraising for the project and other necessary planning. This item is listed on the voting meeting portion of the agenda for consideration.

6) Administration Committee

- MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS – Councilman Myers stated The following public meetings are scheduled for the next month, which will be held in Borough Hall beginning at 7:00 P.M.: • Shade Tree Commission – Wednesday, August 20th • Historical Commission – Tuesday, September 2nd • EAC – Wednesday, September 3rd • Committee Meeting – Monday, September 8th (unless change in meeting schedule is approved by Council later on the agenda) • Planning Commission – Tuesday, September 9th • ZHB – Wednesday, September 10th • Shade Tree – Wednesday, September 17th • Council Meeting – Monday, September 22nd This meeting schedule can also be found on our website myhatboro.org.

- LAND DEVELOPMENT UPDATE – Councilman Myers stated Land Development updates are as follows: • CVS Property: Construction at 24-28 S. York Road is completed, Philly Philly Cheesesteak has been issued their permits for their fit out, and the developer is currently leasing the apartments and held a ribbon cutting last Thursday. • 21-23 & 37 N. York Road (Canalley Property): The developer has been issued his permit for the new construction and as everyone can see, it is progressing quickly. • Gamburg's: The Borough does not have any updates regarding proposed land development applications or projects for the Gamburg's property. • 333 North York Road: JSC Rehabs went before the Planning Commission on Tuesday, August 12th to discuss a proposed minor Land Development Application that would convert the existing vacant commercial office space at Stonybrook Condominiums into 4 townhomes. The developer received a favorable recommendation from the Planning Commission conditional on the developer addressing comments from Engineer MacNair, Planner Kennedy, and obtaining a favorable recommendation from the Fire Marshal. The developer is working on addressing the items discussed by the Planning Commission and will resubmit plans to the Borough. Once Engineer MacNair and Planner Kennedy are comfortable with the revisions, these plans will be placed on a future Council Meeting agenda for consideration.
- WEST MORELAND AVENUE BRIDGE UPDATE – Councilman Myers stated on June 24, 2025, Manager Hegele, Assistant Secretary DeRenzis, and Foreman Young attended a Preconstruction meeting for the West Moreland Avenue Bridge Project. As previously announced, the project was awarded to Haines and Kibblehouse and is expected to be fully completed by December 31, 2025. The first step of this project is the removal of vegetation and trees within the construction area. Once this is done, the county and Traffic Planning and Design will be working with utility companies (PECO, AQUA, Comcast, Verizon, LUMEN, Crown Cashle, and PennDOT Fiber) to have utilities in the area relocated prior to construction. The County is hoping to have utility work completed by the end of 2025 and proceed with demolition of the bridge in early 2026. The entire project is expected to be completed by December 2027. Once demolition begins, the Moreland Avenue bridge will be closed to motorists and detours will be put into effect. More information on the exact detour routes will be forthcoming from Montgomery County. These detours will utilize main roads to help prevent impact to residential streets including Broad, Monument, etc. During the PreCon meeting, Manager Hegele stressed the importance of keeping the Memorial Pool accessible to swimmers including its parking lots on both side of Moreland Avenue. This project will prevent access to the pool from Blair Mill Road; however, swimmers will still have access to the pool from West Moreland Avenue throughout the season. The County and their contractor will do their best to minimize any impacts to the pool during its operating season. Manager Hegele will continue to provide updates on this project monthly as they are available.
- COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE AMENDMENT - Councilman Myers stated included in your packet is a memo from Manager Hegele detailing a proposed change to the Council Meeting Schedule for the remainder of 2025. Her memo states while looking at the budget and ways to cut costs to save some money I was asked to poll council individually about changing our meetings for the fall and continue the schedule of once-a-month meetings. I heard back from all of council and 6 members were in favor to continue meeting once a month as we have been since May and as of the memo, still has not receive the mayor's feedback. As you know we do not get a lot of people in attendance at our meetings, and we are now livestreaming them again and are seeing that people are tuning in again as they did during COVID. The Borough does incur costs for attendance at meetings by professionals and some staff who are hourly employees and are paid overtime. Salaried staff does try to adjust hours to cover for meetings when possible but do not get comp time for meeting attendance because it is included in salary. Sometimes if we are not able to adjust our hours that day, we may use the time during the pay period for appointments or leave early. There was one member of council who raised the following concerns: • Reducing the opportunity for public comment and for residents being able to bring issues to council's attention. • Concerned with optics of cutting back on meetings leading up to election season with certain residents feeling that council lacks transparency. In speaking with the Solicitor there is no requirement to hold two meetings a month. Many are beginning to only do once a month because of time and cost. Our current meeting schedule is as follows: SEPTEMBER: (9/8 & 9/23) OCTOBER: (10/13 & 10/27) NOVEMBER: (11/3 & 11/17) DECEMBER: (12/1 & 12/15) As you can see the October council meeting is followed one week later with the November committee meeting. In May when this occurred, we had no business to discuss why we started the summer schedule early. If we keep the meeting schedule and meet on the same Monday as proposed above and highlighted in red, it will cost us less to readvertise since these meetings are already advertised as a meeting night, we will have to run a smaller ad cancelling the committee meetings and these dates work for budget deadlines that are required under the Borough Code. 2 We could adopt the 2026 Preliminary Budget at the 11/17 meeting as well as advertise the 10-day inspection period at the same time with final adoption at the 12/15 meeting. This would give the public more than 10-day inspection and would give us sufficient time to advertise an ordinance should you desire to raise taxes in 2026. Any change to mileage requires a ordinance that has to be advertised twice, these dates would give us the time needed. Should you not have to raise taxes then we only need to pass a resolution which does not need to be treated the same as an ordinance. We would also have sufficient time for newspaper deadlines as they change around the thanksgiving holiday. You could also if something comes up or is needed hold a special meeting, although that will cost, it could be cheaper as it is one vs. 4 meetings where we are paying professionals and staff so there is still a slight cost savings. Councilwoman Jacobus stated she supports condensing the meetings every month, but more time should be permitted for public comment. Councilman Myers stated that they can do workshops/townhall when necessary, outside of the condensed meeting and an unofficial transcript/recap can be posted after the meeting since it would be a month before the minutes are approved and posted. Solicitor Geiser confirmed that special town halls can be held when needed. Councilwoman Hendrickson, stated to keep public comment in mind. Councilwoman Shay stated they are usually livestreamed/recorded. Kelly A 'Harrah, 145 W. Lehman Avenue,

thinks that it restricts conversation and there is no time for the public to think as sometimes it is presented for the first-time at the first meeting. Councilwoman Jacobus asked if votes can be tables and Solicitor Geiser stated yes, they can. Councilwoman Hendrickson stated that she likes the idea of voting the following month.

- **VOLUNTEER ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Councilman Myers stated the Borough is still looking for volunteers for the Historical Commission (1 vacancy) and Parking Commission (1 vacancy). Residents interested in serving on any of these boards or commissions should send a letter of interest to Borough Manager, Diane Hegele, at dhegele@myhatboro.org or in person at Borough Hall.
- **ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL APPOINTMENT** - Councilman Myers stated included in your packet is a letter of interest from Victoria Szaliga who is interested in serving on the EAC. Council will need to review this letter of interest and, if desired, make an appointment to the EAC. This item has been moved to the 8/18/2025 council meeting agenda for consideration.
- **PARKING COMMISSION APPOINTMENT** - Councilman Myers stated included in your packet is a letter of interest from Vicky Widmaier who is interested in serving on the Parking Commission. Council will need to review this letter of interest and, if desired, make an appointment to the Parking Commission. This item has been moved to the 8/18/2025 council meeting agenda for consideration.
- **PROPERTY MAINTENANCE BOARD OF APPEALS APPOINTMENT** – Councilman Myers stated included in your packet is a letter of interest from James Holland who is interested in serving on the Property Maintenance Board of Appeals. Council will need to review this letter of interest and, if desired, make an appointment to the Property Maintenance Board of Appeals. This item has been moved to the 8/18/2025 council meeting agenda for consideration.
- **24-28 S. YORK ROAD PARKING SIGN REVIEW**- Councilman Myers stated at the July Council Meeting, Borough Council reviewed a request from the Milliner Lofts developer for a change to the Shoppers Lot parking sign on Orchard Avenue. Prior to making official approval for the developer to reface the existing sign, Council wanted to see a design that incorporated both the Shoppers Lot and Milliner Lofts information as spaces in their portion of the lot can be utilized by tenants and shoppers. Included in your packet is a rendering of the parking sign that was proposed by the developer. We will also show the proposed design on the screen during the meeting for residents in attendance to see. Council will need to review the proposed design and, if appropriate, vote on the proposed design. This item is listed on the voting meeting portion of the agenda for consideration. Gary Blickley, 56 Harding Avenue, stated the only signs that state parking in town is all Borough owned and it's his opinion that individual signs are more urban than small town. Councilman Myers state it is for clarity's sake for the shoppers and Milliner. Chief Rugg stated resident parking is marked, but there is shopper sparking for visitors and the new sign will let shoppers know where they can park to alleviate confusion.

OLD BUSINESS AND UPDATES - There was no old business or updates.

PUBLIC COMMENT – **Gary Blickley, 56 Harding Avenue**, stated the excessive signage should be removed as no other high rises have their own signage.

Kelly A 'Harrah, 145 W Lehman Avenue, regarding the PECO grant she asked that they consider the environment regarding the plans for lighting. She also asked to regulate cemeteries on the ordinance and stated that she has no issue with Mr. Pignatelli as the EAC Chair, she just doesn't like the EAC not deciding.

Keith Hibbs, 263 S. Chester Avenue, stated entering and exiting needs to be improved at the Pennypack Community Center as cars are not following the one way and is afraid an accident will happen. Manager Hegele stated they can restripe the lot.

ADJOURNMENT – President Bollendorf adjourned the August 18, 2025, Committee Meeting at 7:54 P.M.

COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER – President Bollendorf called the August 18, 2025, Council Meeting to order at 7:54 P.M.

MEETING NOTES – President Bollendorf reviewed the Public Comment Policy on the back of the agenda with regards to addressing Council and time allotment.

PUBLIC COMMENT – There was no public comment.

MAYORS REPORT – There was no report this evening.

OFFICER'S REPORTS -

- **PRESIDENT'S REPORT** – President Bollendorf stated he attended the Miller Lofts's open house, and that school is starting so watch out for the kids getting on and off the bus.
- **TREASURER'S REPORT** – Treasurer Smith stated the balance in all accounts for the period ending July 31, 2025, is \$ 4,546,950.80 with interest earned in the amount of \$ 5,497.23.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT – Solicitor Geiser stated she has been handling the Souslin matter appeal to the commonwealth court, preparing for DC Hearing for Gamburg's issues, and handling Right to know appeals.

ENGINEER'S REPORT – Engineer MacNair stated Land Development Projects 1. 21-23, 27 South York Road/Station at Hatboro/Canalley Tract (24-00804) Project approved as a 3-story mixed-use building with 102 residential units and 4,732 square feet of retail space. Site work on hold until November to concentrate on building work. Escrow release 1 recommended for approval at 8/18/25 Council mtg. 2. Milliner Lofts (24-00936) Project was approved with a total of 36 1- and 2-bedroom residential units and 2,320 square feet of commercial space at 24-28 South York Road. G&A continues to observe the remaining site construction for conformance with the approved plans. Escrow release 2 recommended for approval at 8/18/25 Council mtg. 3. 206 Wood Street (25-00135) Minor subdivision project approved in November 2024 to permit division of the existing lot into two lots. G&A signed record plans and conditionally recommended plans for Borough signature on 8/6/25. 4. 237 Jacksonville Road (25-00434) Pre-construction meeting held on 4/16/25 related to crosswalks and curb ramps at Jacksonville Road intersections with Tanner Avenue and Summit Avenue. Solar-powered rectangular rapid flashing beacons to be installed along Jacksonville Road at Tanner Avenue. Developer to proceed once PennDOT permit conditions have been addressed. 5. Stony Brook Condominiums (25-00794) Minor land development application to demolish a 3,300 square foot commercial use building and construct a 3,300 square foot 4-unit residential townhome building near the entrance to the Stony Brook Condominiums. G&A issued a review on 8/6/25. Applicant received recommendation for approval at 8/12/25 PC mtg. Public Improvement Projects 1. MS4 Permitting G&A received MS4 permitting information from RVE. G&A provided recommendations to the Borough for meeting the DEP's MS4 permit requirements. G&A provided comments to the DEP on the draft MS4 permit documents published for the next permitting cycle. G&A preparing annual report. 2. Stormwater Concerns G&A provided recommendations for addressing two stormwater concerns located on Borough property. G&A provided the Borough with a riprap lined swale design in the Corinthian Avenue right-of-way based on infiltration testing results. G&A provided the Borough with three design options to consider for replacing a storm pipe and end wall on Borough property adjacent to 501 South York Road. G&A is preparing recommendation for Borough storm pipe repair near 422 Madison Avenue. 3. Road Opening G&A prepared draft updates to Borough's Road opening ordinance for Borough review. 4. 2025 Paving Program Bids were opened on 7/11/25 for the paving of several roads in the Borough as recommended by Public Works: South Chester Avenue, from Williams Lane to West Moreland Avenue; Jacksonville Road, from East Moreland Avenue to East Montgomery Avenue; Crescent Road, from York Road to York Road; and an alternate of Bright Road, from Bright Road to Home Road. Award to lowest responsible and responsive bidder, Land-Tech Enterprises, approved at 7/21/25 Council mtg. G&A preparing curb ramp designs and coordinating with Land-Tech regarding contract documents and a preconstruction meeting.

MANAGER'S REPORT – Manager Hegele stated Today we received a request from HHSC to use the fields at PP for the upcoming season. The request was not received in time to make the agenda for tonight's meeting, the request was also signed 8/12 but lists a start date of 8/1. There is no schedule included as well. As you know, last month residents in the neighborhood were upset because they were not notified of events, and we made sure that we provided them with a list of everything we knew was approved. Soccer was not included. The ZHB rendered their decision last week for the notice I sent to El Limon as they closed and were operating a "Ghost Kitchen" and not operating under zoning. The ZHB ruled in favor of El Limon and granted special exception to operate a commissary kitchen with conditions, there cannot be visible storage in the front of the building and the applicant is permitted but not required to offer takeout service. The Montgomery County Recorder of Deeds is bringing her Montco Roots presentation to Hatboro in October. This is a very interesting presentation on the history of deed recordings, we have begun advertising the event on social media and Savvy Citizen. The County first ever Pizza with a Planner was a huge success. It was held in this room at the end of July and was well attended. Thank you to Montgomery County for choosing Hatboro for your event. Been very busy with a few requests for zoning reviews for properties in the Borough for sale as well as Right to Know Requests. In the past two weeks we have processed 4 zoning reviews and 20 right to know requests. Zoning Reviews and Right to Know Requests are time consuming for the staff. Last, Today is National Volunteer Firefighters Day, thank you to our awesome volunteer firefighters in Hatboro. Today and every day we celebrate those volunteers who run into a burning building when everyone else is running out. As you all know the men and women of the Enterprise Fire Company of Hatboro give countless hours of their time for the Borough, and we are extremely thankful for every one of our volunteers and those from surrounding companies that answer the call every day both here in the Borough and around us. She stated that she would be remiss if she did not acknowledge their families for the sacrifices they make when their dad, Mom, sister, or brother are called away to help someone in need.

STAFF REPORTS –

- **POLICE** – Chief Ruegg stated 1) NNO was a success. Thanks for all who came out and participated and the Chamber for organizing. Borough Blend – Will be held on National Coffee with a Cop Day on Wed October 2, 2025, at Steel Penny Café. ADMIN- Received reimbursement for a training event form 2022 for approximately 9K dollars which help offset an unexpected car repair. 2) Upgrades to Borough Camera Systems were completed over the summer. 3) 1 Officer, who was out with an injury, has been cleared to return to duty. 4) 1 Officer still out with an injury but expect an update at the end of the month and we are hopeful he is cleared to return. 5) Took part in consortium testing at the end of July. We will look to schedule interviews for the later part of 2025. No current openings. TRAINING 1) Sgt. Paul will head to Washington DC for the NTOA conference. (National Tactical Officers Association). Will attend classes and lectures on a variety of topics. We pay the registration fee, and the SWAT Team covers the lodging for the week. 2) Himself, Sgt Bruckner, and Officer Suder will attend a two-day training tomorrow and Wed on Critical Incident Response in Philadelphia. Topics Include Critical Incident Decision Making and Leadership, Practical Incident Command and Scene Control, Modern De-Escalation Techniques using a Pre-Contact Assessment, coordinating a Multi-Officer Response, Barricaded Suspect Incidents, Fleeing Suspect Containment and Apprehension, Coordinating Small and Large Perimeter Operations. 3) Active Shooter training has been scheduled for the newest 8 members of our department in October. Coordinated by Eastern Montco Swat.

SCHOOL IS IN- 1) First day is September 2, 2025. 2) Please drive safe and watch for buses. 3) BUS PATROL is ACTIVE – See the most violation on 4 lane roads such as County Line. Unless the roadway is physically divided (concrete median) all lanes must stop. He also stated the next Borough Blend is 10/2/2025 at Stell Penny Café and the time is TBD.

- **TAX COLLECTIONS** – The tax collectors’ report was submitted electronically.
- **PUBLIC WORKS** – Manager Hegele stated PW finished the stormwater drainage work at 420 Jacksonville Road last week. Thank you to the Engineer for her assistance with this project. Next big project is the drain at 501 S. York Road, once we have all the supplies needed, we can begin this project. PW is reporting that PECO finally made repairs on York Road near Fulmor Avenue, this was causing issues for streetlights being out along Fulmor Avenue. PW is happy to report all streetlights are working. A reminder from PW, if you see a streetlight out, please call Borough Hall to report. Often PW staff are working during daytime hours and do not see the lights out, we rely on help from residents. PW has begun to hang the new Hometown Hero Banners. Thank you to HHSD for the donation of furniture from the former Keith Valley School. PW was able to pick up everything. The chairs in the room here were donated. After last month’s meeting, PW, FM and UMT PW walked the creek on both sides from the West Moreland Avenue Bridge north and south looking for a possible oil sheen on the creek. We were unable to locate anything and remind residents if you see something to please call. The contractor doing the work at this site was also notified about the concerns addressed at the July meeting. Thank you to the Department and all the hours put in by the men for the car show. It was a lot of work and long hours. As always, our staff at PW, PD, FM, Fire Department and Fire Police did a great job.
- **DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT** – Manager Hegele stated Wawa for sale, to clarify, the Wawa itself is not for sale, it is the land. The property was sold at a federal marshal sale earlier this year. The new owner is working with staff on the close out due to the Borough, the land could sell and if it sells for the asking price that could net the Borough roughly \$75K in transfer taxes. Main Street Matters Grant Application, met with a consultant and once I have quote for services for business development strategy plan and survey, I can submit the application that council approved submitting last month.
- **FIRE MARSHAL** – Fire Marshal Valesky stated The Borough of Hatboro Fire Marshal’s Office provides the following report of activities for the month of July 2025. INSPECTIONS: 34 Commercial Fire Inspections (YTD as of 7/31: 136) *NOTE: This number includes Fire Inspections and Commercial U&O Inspections. -1 Fire Re-inspection 11 Residential U&O Inspections (YTD as of 7/31: 60) -1 Residential U&O reinspection 46 Units/ 10 Properties Rental Inspections (YTD as of 7/31: 375 Units/103 Properties) -1 (6units) Rental Re-inspection FIRE CALLS/INVESTIGATIONS: 14 Fire Calls (YTD as of 7/31: 69) -DETAILS: Water main break, Moreland towers elevator issue, open burning, misc. 1 Investigations (YTD as of 7/31: 13) -DETAILS: 20 E. Monument- Food on Stove SMOKE DETECTOR INSTALLS: In partnership with the Red Cross, I assisted with installing 3 smoke alarms (YTD as of 6/30: 62) *Note- I have found homes during U&O inspections or rentals that do not have working smoke detectors, or enough working smoke detectors. By code, you are required to have one smoke detector on every level of your home, and one in each bedroom. I recommend every home have at least one CO detector, but two would be better. If you need smoke detectors, please reach out.
- **FIRE COMPANY** – VP Ide stated for the month of July 2025, the EFC responded to 25 calls, 17 were in Hatboro, assisted with the Warminster working fires, had training (hazmat/ropes), attended Borough event such as cruise night and the car show, having a Bingo fundraiser on 9/20/2025, and the 2025 fundraiser drive is in the mail.
- **UNION LIBRARY REPORT** – Representative Smith stated the July and August 2025 stats for the library are - **New Patrons** – We have 72 new library card members since July 1, 2025. (62_ adults/_10_ children), **New Books** – Since July 1, we have ordered and received 148_ new books. (82_ adults/_67_ children) – **Borough Funded** – 78 Adult Boks, Programs – 58 programs held between July 1 and August 19, 2025. (35_ adult/_23_ children) – **Borough funded** – 8 adult programs. Total Circulation – 3397 Books, DVDs, etc. have been checked out of the physical building since July 1. Representative Smith announced the upcoming events - **FADING HISTORY/WWII SPIES PART 2**: Our last installment in this History Program series will be held on **August 27 @ 6-7:30p**. Gary Scarpello will present Part 2 of his wonderful presentation on WWII spies. You’ll be surprised at who they are. **FALL BOOK SALE – Sept. 6 @ 9-2p**. It’s that time of the year again! Our Annual Fall Book Sale is here! Featuring local vendors, a bake sale fundraiser, hot dogs & hamburgers from the Enterprise Fire Co. and more! Sign up for a vendor spot or bake sale donation online or at the circulation desk!

ORDER OF BUSINESS AND VOTING ITEMS

ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF REPORTS – Councilwoman Shay made a motion to acknowledge receipt of Public Works, Fire Marshal, Treasurer’s Reports, EAC Minutes, and UMHJSA minutes. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hendrickson, all ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

APPROVAL OF WARRANT LIST, PAYMENT OF BILLS, MANUAL CHECKS, AND TRANSFERS – Councilwoman Jacobus made a motion to approve Warrant List, Payment of Bills, Manual Checks, and Transfers for the month of August 2025. Motion was seconded by Councilman Myers, all ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

JULY 21, 2025, COMMITTEE/COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – This item was tabled.

ENTERPRISE FIRE COMPANY EXPENDITURE LIST – Councilwoman Jacobus made a motion to approve the Enterprise Fire Company Expenditure list for the Month of July 2025 in the amount of \$ 12,124.51. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Shay, all ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

ENTERPRISE FREI COMPANY CAPITAL TRANSFER – Councilwoman Jacobus made a motion to approve the transfer of \$ 200,000.00 from the Fire Protection Account to the Fire Capital Account in accordance with the request made by Enterprise Fire Company. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Shay, all yes. Motion carried 5-0.

LIBRARY EXPENDITURE LIST – Councilwoman Hendrickson made a motion to approve the Library Expenditure List for the month of July 2025 in the amount of \$ 41,089.00. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Shay, all ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

LSA GRANT RESOLUTION AMENDMENT – Councilwoman Jacobus made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-34, amending the amount of funding requested under Resolution 2025-33 for the LSA Grant Application for mobile barrier units. Motion was seconded by Councilman Myers, all ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

24-28 S. YORK ROAD FINANCIAL SECURITY RELEASE #2 – Councilman Myers made a motion to financial security release #2 for the Milliner Lofts Project in the amount of \$195,912.00. This release shall leave a balance in the developer's letter of credit in the amount of \$ 125,309.40. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hendrickson, all ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

21-23 & 37 N. YORK ROAD FINANCIAL SECURITY RELEASE #2 – Councilwoman Shay made a motion to approve financial security release #1 for the Station at Hatboro Project in the amount of \$ 1,474,923.15. This release shall leave a balance in the developer's letter of credit in the amount of \$ 771,767.45. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hendrickson, all ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

MAIN STREET MATTERS PROGRAM RESOLUTION – Councilwoman Hendrickson made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-35 memorializing application to the Main Street Matters Program for a main street consultant. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Jacobus, all ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

2026 EARTH DAY SPECIAL EVENT REQUEST – Councilwoman Jacobus made a motion to approve the Special Event Request for the Earth Day 2026 Celebration at the Pennypack Community Center on April 11, 2026, Big Trees – Friend or Foe workshop hosted by the Environmental Advisory Council taking place on September 17, 2025, at Borough Hall, Linked Souls Paranormal Events at Pennypack on 8/17/2025 and 9/14/2025, Hatboro Horsham Hawks Bingo Fundraiser on 11/7/2025 at Pennypack, and the Kat Hall Wiffle Ball event on 8/31/2025 at Hatboro Little League Field. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Shay, all ayes. Motion carried 4-0 with 1 abstention as Councilwoman Hendrickson abstained.

EAGLE SCOUT STORY WALK PROJECT – Councilwoman Hendrickson made a motion to authorize Aidan Wills to proceed with fundraising and planning of a Story Walk Eagle Scout Project in Miller Meadow. Motion was seconded by Councilman Myers, all ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE AMENDMENT – Councilwoman Shay made a motion to amend the 2025 Council Meeting Schedule to hold one combined Committee/Voting Meeting in September 9/22, October 10/27, November 11/17, and December 12/15 as discussed by Council. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Jacobus, all ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL CHAIR APPOINTMENT – Councilwoman Jacobus made a motion to appoint Jonathan Pignatelli to the position of Chair of the Environmental Advisory Council. Motion was seconded by Councilman Myers, all ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

SHADE TREE COMMISSION APPOINTMENT – Councilwoman Shay made a motion to appoint Sarah Cunningham to the Shade Tree Commission for a term of three years. Motion was seconded by Councilman Myers, all ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL APPOINTMENT – Councilwoman Shay made a motion to appoint Victoria Szaliga to the Environmental Advisory Committee for a term ending December 31, 2025. Motion was seconded by Councilman Myers, all ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

PARKING COMMISSION APPOINTMENT – Councilwoman Jacobus made a motion to appoint Vicky Widmaier to the parking Commission for a term of 2 years. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hendrickson, all ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE BOARD OF APPEALS APPOINTMENT – Councilwoman Shay made a motion to appoint James Holland to the property maintenance board of appeals for a term of 2 years. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hendrickson, all ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

24-28 S. YORK ROAD PARKING SIGN – This item was tabled.

OLD BUSINESS AND UPDATES - There was no old business or updates.

NEW BUSINESS – There was no new business.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Kelly A 'Harrah, 145 W Lehman Avenue, asked for EAC term clarification – 12/31/2025 and President Bollendorf confirmed, yes.

ADJOURNMENT – President Bollendorf adjourned the August 18, 2025, Council Meeting at 8:36 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:

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