Borough of Beaver, PA Council Meeting August 12, 2025 Minutes

- A regular scheduled meeting of Beaver Borough Council was held in the Community Room of the Beaver Borough Municipal building and was called to order on Tuesday, August 12, 2025, at 7:00 PM by Council President, Sean Snowden.
- Council Representatives in attendance: Alexander Andres, Robert Bickerton, Michael Deelo, Roberta Good, Todd Hindman, Whitney Learn-Conjeski, Margaret McKean, and Sean Snowden.
- Borough officials in attendance: Mayor Thomas Hamilton, Chief of Police and Borough Manager Dan Madgar, Solicitor Garen Fedeles, Code Enforcement Officer Rick Sprecker, Debbie Hindman and Rebecca Phillips.
- Absent: Amy Stettler.
- Visitors in attendance (signed in): Midge Sefton, Cheryl Hansen, Amy Shay, Rebecca Beem, and Robert Snider.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Mr. Hindman, to accept the July 8, 2025 Council Meeting Minutes and July 22, 2025 Work Session Minutes. Seconded by Ms. Learn-Conjeski. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

- The July Treasurer's report was provided in the Council packet for review.
 - Mr. Hindman reviewed that the Treasurer's Report indicates that the budget is trending as expected.

Review invoices and authorization to pay bills

Motion by Ms. Good to authorize and pay submitted invoices for the Borough. Seconded by Ms. Learn-Conjeski. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Public Participation –

- Midge Sefton, River Road
 - Thanked Chief Madgar, Mayor Hamilton, and Brent Dawson (Highway Department) on behalf of herself and the museum for the coordination of the donated sun dial that was installed in front of the Borough Building. This sun dial was generously donated by the Bundy family.
- Roberta Good, on behalf of resident in Third Ward
 - Received complaint of new garbage can installed on River Road near their home, fearing it will be used for dog waste.
 - Received positive feedback from another resident regarding the garbage can being installed so
 it can be used for waste.
 - Ms. Good stated that the garbage cans are emptied frequently.

o Mr. Madgar explained that the intention is to have garbage cans spread out evenly for residents to use along River Road. The cans are scheduled to be emptied frequently.

Council Committees

Finance – Reported by Mr. Hindman

- The Borough us under budget despite lower property taxes due to reassessments.
- The Finance Committee continues to work on the 2026 draft budget and expect to present to Council at the August or September Work Session.
 - Mr. Madgar stated that healthcare costs are typically not available until the end of the year. In the past, a draft has been presented at the end of September.

General Government -

- Mr. Andres reported that the annual Beaver County Local Government Conference is next Thursday, August 21st.
- Ms. Good reviewed that the Road Department continues to work on curbs and lights.
- Mr. Madgar reported that the next Borough newsletter will go out this fall.
 - Ms. McKean suggested sustainability content such as cost savings of solar panels or reducing plastic use.

Highways – Reported by Mr. Deelo

- Reviewed the 2025 road paving project in the provided Engineer's report and recognized Mr. Martone, Mr. Sprecker, and Mr. Madgar's work to prioritize areas that need immediate attention.
- Reviewed complaints and concerns of E-Bikes.
 - The Borough Solicitor will continue to research laws and ordinances to determine what is reasonable and possible to pose any type of regulations.
 - Mayor Hamilton has been reviewing this issue and is monitoring the situation with the Police Department.

Public Safety / Code Enforcement – No report

Recreation – Reported by Ms. Learn-Conjeski

- Continuing to work with Borough staff for playground equipment upgrades to Linn Park.
- Approached by Beaver Area Chamber of Commerce for a Halloween Event. Will meet with Borough Manager to review.
- Ms. McKean suggested using the comprehensive plan questionnaire for feedback on the Pool House.

Reports

Manager/Secretary – Reported by Mr. Madgar

- The Planning Commission meeting scheduled for August has been cancelled. They are scheduled to meet again in September.
- Reviewed the renewal of the SRO contract with Beaver Area School District. The renewal is proposed for a five-year extension at a 4% increase each year.

- o Working with Western Beaver School District to renew theirs as well with the same terms.
- The Beaver County parking garage is scheduled to be closed from August 18th through December for renovations. This may cause parking issues and complaints. The renovations will involve noise, including jackhammering.
- The concert at the Pool House will be held this Saturday. Approximately 400-500 attendees are expected.
- Beaver Area Chamber of Commerce Wine Festival tickets are available for purchase. The event will be held on Saturday, September 27th.
- The Veterans Day Parade will be held in Beaver Borough this year on November 11th. The Borough is working with the County Commissioners to get funding for flaggers and police support.

Mayor Hamilton -

• Reviewed the successful Hot Summer Nights Car Cruise event and recognized its committee of volunteers who work hard to make this such a great event for Beaver Borough.

President – No report

Police Department – No report

Borough Engineer -

July 2025 Engineer report included in the Council packet.

Solicitor Report – No report

Motions

2026 Minimum Obligation (MMO) for Police and Municipal Employees

Motion by Mr. Hindman, I move that Beaver Borough Council approve the attached Resolution 2025-02 relating to the 2026 Financial Requirement and Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for Police and Municipal employees. Seconded by Ms. Good. Voice vote passed unanimously.

2025 Road Paving Project

Motion by Mr. Deelo, in accordance with the Borough Engineer's recommendation letter dated August 8, 2025, I move that Beaver Borough Council approve Youngblood Paving, Inc. as the low bidder for the 2025 Road Paving Project for a total bid amount of \$269,682.63. Seconded by Ms. McKean. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Hindman. Seconded by Ms. Good. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Submitted by Rebecca Phillips