CENTRE HALL BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
November 13, 2025

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: President Kathryn Long; Vice-President C. Christine Cooper, Daniel Smith; LuAnn Yearick; Matt Powell; Patrick Kelly; and Matthew Roan

OTHERS PRESENT:
Kenneth Strouse, Superintendent/Maintenance, Zoning & Code Enforcement Officer;
Angela Mundy, Borough Secretary; John Miller, Solicitor; and LeDon Young, Mayor

CITIZENS PRESENT: None

CALL TO ORDER: President Kathryn Long called the Meeting of the Centre Hall Borough Council to order at 7:02 pm.

CITIZENS: Nothing to report.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: A motion was made by Councilperson Patrick Kelly and was seconded by Councilperson Matt Powell to approve the Minutes of the October 9th Council Meeting: Ayes - 7; Nays – 0; Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: A motion was made by Councilperson Patrick Kelly and was seconded by Councilperson Matt Powell to approve the Minutes of the October 27th Council Meeting: Ayes - 7; Nays – 0; Motion passed.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: A motion was made by Councilperson Patrick Kelly and was seconded by Councilperson Matt Powell, to approve the Financial Statement as presented for the month of October and to continue to pay the bills: Ayes – 7; Nays – 0; Motion passed.

ZONING / CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT:
Parking Tickets or Warnings – 0; Zoning Permits – 0; CEO Letters – 0

STATE OF THE BOROUGH REPORT:

1. Kenny stated him and Jr are still collecting leaves.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. LuAnn has concerns donating more money to the Penns Prairie Park from the water account due to raising the water rates. Kenny stated the Borough has water wells at the park and they have future projects that will require water such as bathrooms and more. The Borough also does not help with road maintenance to our wells at the park, so donating out of water would make up for not maintaining. Council then all agreed to donate the 2000 out of water.
2. A motion was made by Councilperson Matt Powell and was seconded by Councilperson Patrick Kelly to move to adopt tentative 2026 budget; Ayes – 7; Nays – 0; Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Kathryn Long would like the Council to do a Service Recognition for employee milestones as Kenny is on his 25th year of service and Philip is on his 15th year of service. She is asking all Council members to brainstorm ideas for the December meeting.

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WATER BUSINESS:

1. A motion was made by Vice-President C. Christine Cooper and was seconded by Councilperson Matthew Roan to accept the Waterline Dedication Agreement from Transducer Works contingent upon providing a proper bond; Ayes – 7; Nays – 0; motion passed.
2. Matthew Roan presented to the Council the information gathered meeting with an attorney regarding creating a water authority. Council has all agreed to creating a water authority for Centre Hall Borough labeled as the Centre Hall Water Authority. A motion was made by Councilperson Matt Powell and was seconded by Councilperson Daniel Smith to start the process of creating a water authority; Ayes – 7; Nays – 0; motion passed.
3. Christine questioned why we are raising the monthly water rate from $11 to $15 in 2026. Kenny explained we are due to water line upgrades and a possible new well house for new development would be needed. That would cost around $2 million to have done. At $11 a month from all paying residents does not even cover the cost of a valve currently.
3. A motion was made by Councilperson Patrick Kelly and was seconded by Councilperson Matt Powell to raise the monthly water rate to $15 per month totaling $45 per quarter; Ayes – 7; Nays – 0; motion passed.

CORRESPONDENCE (INCOMING): Nothing to report.

MAYOR'S REPORT: LeDon would like Borough to borrow crosswalk signs for Grange Fair 2026.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Nothing to report.

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON REPORTS - from meetings they have called:

A. **STREETS – KELLY –** Nothing to report.
B. **WATER – ROAN/POWELL/SMITH/KELLY –** Nothing to report.
C. **PUBLIC SAFETY – YEARICK –** Nothing to report.
D. **SOLID WASTE AND SIDEWALKS – POWELL –** Nothing to report.
E. **LIGHTS AND NUISANCE – SMITH –** Nothing to report.
F. **FIRE TAX – LONG/YEARICK** – Council would like to receive budget from Fire Hall.
G. **FINANCE – COOPER –** Nothing new to report.
H. **TREE – LONG –** Nothing new to report.
I. **PENNS PRAIRIE PARK – POWELL** – Matt stated the park received a Right To Know request for construction projects done at the park, John Miller stated the RTK request should go to the contractors.

ADJOURNMENT: At 8:35 p.m., it was moved by Vice-President C. Christine Cooper and was seconded by Councilperson Daniel Smith to adjourn the meeting: Ayes – 7; Nays – 0: Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Angela Mundy
Centre Hall Borough Secretary

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