CENTRE HALL BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
July 10, 2025

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

OTHERS PRESENT:
Kenneth Strouse, Superintendent/Maintenance, Zoning & Code Enforcement Officer;
Philip Orndorf, Jr., Maintenance, Code Enforcement and Zoning Officer;
Angela Mundy, Borough Secretary; and LeDon Young, Mayor

CITIZENS PRESENT: Anne Messner (Centre County MPO), Rhonda Rumbaugh (Centre County Library), Elyse Crawford (Centre County Planning Office), Domer Smeltzer (Penns Valley School District) Tibben Zerby (Century Engineering)

CALL TO ORDER: President Kathryn Long called the Meeting of the Centre Hall Borough Council to order at 6:57 p.m.

CITIZENS: Rhonda Rumbaugh presented an update on the library expansion. They have received a grant for getting hot sports for the community to use. They are receiving great reception on summer programs. There will be an open house on July 16th open to the public with the engineers attending to dive deep into the expansion plan.
Domer Smeltzer presented the potential closure for Miles Township Elementary School. He wanted opinions on the closure. The Council presented their concerns and opinions.
Anne Messner presented Grant opportunities for the Borough to apply for.
Elise Crawford requested the Council to sign the 2024 Resolution and pay their $50 contribution. She requested the Borough advertise their meeting information on their websites to catch public attention.
Tibben Zerby went over Act 57 with the Council.

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

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: A motion was made by Vice-President C. Christine Cooper and was seconded by Councilperson Patrick Kelly, to approve the Financial Statement as presented for the month of April 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 let the Council know the 2025 PSAB Conference was a success.
2. A motion was made by Councilperson LuAnn Yearick and was seconded by Councilperson Matthew Powell to install a pipe & pit at 133 E. Church St for their issue in their yard from the previous homeowner: Ayes – 7; Nays – 0; Motion Passed.

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OLD BUSINESS:

1. President Kathryn Long signed the Centre County Planning & Community Development Office Resolution.
2. A motion was made by Councilperson Daniel Smith and was seconded by Vice-President C. Christine Cooper to add crosswalks to Ridge St and Kurtz St: Ayes – 7; Nays – 0; Motion passed.
3. Daniel Decker requested a library sign to moved on Pennsylvania Ave. The council are in all agreement to not move the sign as the requested placement will be in front of a business.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Secretary Angela Mundy requested approval to start looking into booking the Council Christmas party for 2025 and to receive ideas. The Council gave permission to Angela to start calling around and collecting prices and information.
2. A motion was made by Councilperson Matthew Powell and was seconded by Councilperson LuAnn Yearick to approve the Centre Hall Fire Company request to host a 150th Anniversary Parade and Festival in October of 2025: Ayes – 7; Nays – 0; Motion passed.
3. A motion was made by Councilperson Matthew Roan and was seconded by Councilperson Daniel Smith to approve signing the Hazard Mitigation Resolution: Ayes – 7; Nays – 0; Motion passed.
4. A motion was made by Councilperson Matthew Powell and was seconded by Vice-President C. Christine Cooper to hire Theresa Heiser to make a new & updated Borough website: Ayes – 7; Nays – 0; Motion passed.

WATER BUSINESS:

1. A motion was made Vice-President C. Christine Cooper and was seconded by Councilperson Matthew Powell to approve water service request from Wawa: Ayes – 7; Nays – 0; Motion passed.
2. The discussion about Act 57 is tabled until August 14th meeting.
3. A motion was made by Vice-President C. Christine Cooper and was seconded by Councilperson Matthew Powell to approve water applications for 145 Blarney Ln and 120 Heirloom Dr: Ayes – 7; Nays – 0; Motion passed.

CORRESPONDENCE (INCOMING): Secretary Angela Mundy spoke with West Penn Power Engineer about adding a street light to the corner of Wilson Street. The engineer stated he does not think that is a good idea due to having 2 street lights in that area. To add a new street light will cost between $700 - $900. If a whole new pole would be needed, that would cost thousands. The Council has requested Angela to ask him if he could angle the street light across the street towards Wilson St. Mayor LeDon stated PennDOT is requesting the Borough to sign contract agreement, Kenny says no to the agreement. He is in contact with Spring Township to borrow their equipment for projects.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor LeDon Young requested the Council to sign a Resolution supporting Semi Quincentennial. President Kathryn Long has signed Resolution.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Nothing new to report.

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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** – Nothing to report.
G. **FINANCE – COOPER –** Nothing new to report.
H. **TREE – LONG –** Nothing new to report.
I. **PENNS PRAIRIE PARK – POWELL** – Pavillion and Park are now open! Opening Day event information soon to come.

ADJOURNMENT: At 9:22 p.m., it was moved by Councilperson Matthew Roan and was seconded by Councilperson Patrick Kelly, to adjourn the meeting: Ayes – 7; Nays – 0: Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Angela Mundy
Centre Hall Borough Secretary

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