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MILLERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The MILLERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING was held on Tuesday, February 24, 2026, in the Millersville Borough Public Meeting Room located at 100 Municipal Drive, Millersville, Pennsylvania.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Council President (CP) Lauren Hauck. The meeting began with a pledge to the flag as well as an observed moment of silence.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Lauren Hauck, President
Joseph Lane, Vice President
Gregg Barley
Michael Kaufhold – absent

Philip A. Lastowski, Mayor
W. Michael Miklos, Asst. Secretary
Ryan Hoffman
Marianne Kerlavage – absent

OTHERS PRESENT

Terry Trego, PA Senate
John Lichty, 84 Municipal Drive, Millersville
Dave Rhodes, 25 Wabank Road, Millersville
Randall Snyder, 209 Manor Avenue, Millersville
Mary Lyons, 426 Spring Drive, Millersville
Angela Cuthbert, 106 Kready Avenue, Millersville
Linda Bellile, 437 Penn View Drive, Millersville
Brandon Williams, Garman Builders
David Sykes, 344 Valley Road, Millersville
Gary Hess, 453 N. George Street, Millersville
Dorothy Imel, 1902 Blue Ridge Drive, Lancaster
Stephanie Hersh, 72 Blue Rock Road, Millersville
Richard Frantz, 55 N. Duke Street, Millersville
Dawan Worsley, Leadership Lancaster
Dr. Victor DeSantis, VP of External Affairs and Chief of Staff, Millersville University
Cohen Stigelman, Penn Manor Student Representative
Rob Moyer, Borough Code Enforcement/Zoning Officer & BCO, CCIS
Emma Danae Droz, Borough Administrative Specialist
Rebecca DeSantis-Randall, Borough Manager
Jeff Margevich, Borough Chief of Police

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council Member (CM) Lane made a motion to approve the February 10, 2026, Council meeting minutes. CM Miklos seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CITIZEN REQUESTS OR CONCERNS: None

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REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

BLUE ROCK REGIONAL FIRE COMMISSION

Mayor Lastowski delivered the Blue Rock Regional Fire Commission report. The Commission met on February 5, 2026. Mayor Lastowski reported that the Blue Rock Rescue Relief Association's bank account was hacked several times in January but was able to recover all funds and change banks. Blue Rock responded to a total of 70 calls in January, 43 in Manor Township and 27 in the Borough. Fundraising efforts for the new building have raised \$2.2 million, with groundbreaking expected in Spring 2027. The Commission continues to search for additional grant opportunities. Lastly, the Commission is advertising student firefighters' scholarship opportunities through a \$296,000 Federal Emergency Management Agency grant.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

Mary Lyons, Vice Chair, delivered the Civil Service Commission report. On behalf of the Commission, Ms. Lyons requested that Council extend a conditional offer of employment as Patrol Officer to Malcom Jenkins, pending completion of background checks and polygraph exams. Ms. Lyons also brought forward a request for approval to advertise the Patrol Officer Position (limited to Act 120 certified candidates).

CP Hauck made a motion to authorize the extension of a conditional offer of employment as a Patrol Officer to Malcom Jenkins, pending completion of background checks and polygraph exam. CM Miklos seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CP Hauck then made a motion to advertise the Patrol Officer position to Act 120 candidates. CM Lane seconded the motion. CM Lane asked whether limiting eligibility to Act 120 certified candidates would thin the pool, and Chief Margevich stated they had several prior candidates who were certified, but the limitation would allow for a quicker hiring process without necessitating sending hires to the police academy. After discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS

FINANCE REPORT

Manager DeSantis-Randall delivered the January finance report. She noted that staff were preparing for the 2025 audit. Without any questions, CM Lane made a motion to accept the January Financial Report and authorize staff to satisfy the ordinary and routine obligations incurred by the Borough for this month. CM Hoffman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Margevich delivered the January police report in which there were 270 calls for service. He noted the closing of a significant case of repeated theft from vehicles.

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CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

Rob Moyer, Borough Code Enforcement/Zoning Officer, delivered the January code enforcement report in which there were 5 permits issued with 4 inspections and 44 rental renewals with 39 inspections. CP Hauck asked about the high number of snow citations, which Mr. Moyer confirmed were two properties that needed repeated citations.

VOTING ITEMS

CP Hauck brought forward approval to send Draft Text Amendment to Traditional Neighborhood Development Ordinance proposed by Garman Builders to Lancaster County Planning Commission and Millersville Borough Planning Commission for review and advertising for a public hearing in early May. With no discussion, CM Lane made a motion to send the Draft Text Amendment to the Traditional Neighborhood Development Ordinance, proposed by Garman Builders, to Lancaster County Planning Commission and Millersville Borough Planning Commission for review, and subsequent advertising for a public hearing in early May. CP Hauck seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CP Hauck brought forward appointment of a candidate to the Blue Rock Regional Fire Commission. CM Miklos nominated Gary Hess and CM Barley seconded. CM Lane nominated Randy Snyder with no second. After nominations, Council unanimously voted to appoint Gary Hess to the Blue Rock Regional Fire Commission with a term ending 12/31/27.

CM Lane made a motion to approve the MOU with the Police Association regarding police recruits and new hires. CM Hoffman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CM Lane a made a motion to offer employment to Troy Rogers and Kevin Cruickshank as Part Time Patrol Officers at a rate of \$32.28 per hour. CM Miklos seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

CP Hauck brought forward discussion of Draft Police Department Policy concerning immigration and interaction with federal immigration officials. Mayor Lastowski explained that the Policy came about from discussions with Chief Margevich and was prompted by recent news about federal Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) throughout the country and the possibility of an ICE warehouse in Berks County. The policy stated the Borough's intent not to join or enter into any task force enforcement agreements with ICE. Mayor and the Chief explained that the Borough Police Department cannot afford to have police officers taking on additional duties given the Department's current short staffing. Chief noted that officers will always fulfill their duty to carry out lawful warrants as they are encountered, but not additional training. CM Miklos asked about data on incidents of crimes committed by immigrants or individuals lacking proper immigration status in the Borough, which Chief stated he did not have but acknowledged it is a very rare circumstance. CM Lane expressed concern about the term "warrant" in the policy and asked if the term could be defined more clearly to clarify between warrants issued by a court and warrants that might be issued by the Department of Homeland Security. Lastly, CM Lane expressed concern about the welfare of Millersville University foreign

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students who have proper documentation, asking whether such individuals are documented by Borough or University police. CP Hauck expressed support of the policy and recommended that Council move forward with review by the Borough Solicitor. CM Lane made a motion to authorize the review of the Draft Police Department Policy concerning immigration and interaction with federal immigration officials by the Borough Solicitor and the drafting of a resolution for Council's approval. CM Hoffman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Lastowski reported that he attended the Lancaster County Mayor's Association luncheon where they discussed executive sessions.

MILLERSVILLE UNIVERSITY REPORT

Dr. Victor DeSantis, VP of External Affairs and Chief of Staff, Millersville University, delivered the Millersville University (MU) Report, noting that MU is still looking for a new student representative. He announced a new initiative for the University to celebrate that the Conestoga River was named PA River of the Year for 2026. With this designation, MU is hoping to explore events and collaborations with the Borough to celebrate the Conestoga, raise environmental awareness, and increase opportunities for community engagement with the river. Upcoming MU events included the 41st Conference on the Holocaust & Genocide as well as Black History Month performances at the Ware Center. Lastly, spring break would take place in the second week of March. CP Hauck expressed excitement over the opportunities to celebrate Conestoga, hoping this would serve as a springboard to strengthen river recreation in Millersville.

PENN MANOR REPORT:

Cohen Stigelman, Penn Manor Student Representative, delivered the Penn Manor Report. Junior Achievement will hold its STEM Summit Program at Penn Manor High School on February 24th and 25th. The Outstanding Educator Award is open for nominations until March 13th. Lastly, Penn Manor will present the musical The Music Man on March 12th through 14th.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager DeSantis-Randall brought forward a request for approval to extend a conditional offer of employment as Maintenance Worker I to Matthew Weaver, pending completion of background check and physical. She noted they had two positions to fill, and that this candidate would hopefully start next week at a step one salary of \$53,971. CP Hauck made a motion to extend a conditional offer of employment as Maintenance Worker I to Matthew Weaver, pending completion of background check and physical. CM Miklos seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Manager DeSantis-Randall shouted out the Street Team for their hard work salting and plowing over the weekend. She reported some Hometown Hero Banner spots are still open and encouraged people to apply. Lastly, she announced the Borough's new accounting system would be launched next week.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

CP Hauck thanked CM Lane for covering for her at the prior meeting.

CITIZEN REQUESTS OR CONCERNS:

Linda Bellile, 437 Penn View Drive, expressed concern about Gary Hess serving as a member of both the Blue Rock Regional Fire Commission and the Borough Planning Commission. She believed that his representation on two Borough commissions, as well as CP Hauck's representation on both the Planning Commission and Borough Council, represented a conflict of interest. Council asked about the nature of the conflict, and stated that there appeared to be no financial conflict of interest present. Council agreed to possibly check with the Borough solicitor to see if there was any conflict.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT

CM Lane made a motion to adjourn. CM Barley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM.

Rebecca DeSantis-Randall
Borough Secretary

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