

October 28, 2025

MILLERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The MILLERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING was held on Tuesday, October 28, 2025, in the Millersville Borough Public Meeting Room located at 100 Municipal Drive, Millersville, Pennsylvania.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Council President (CP) Joseph Lane. The meeting began with a pledge to the flag as well as an observed moment of silence.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Joseph Lane
Phyllis Giberson
Angela Cuthbert
Michael Kaufhold

David T. Aichele, Mayor
Linda Bellile
Mary Ann Gerber
Marianne Kerlavage

OTHERS PRESENT

Tony Hightower, Civil Service Commission
Geoff Beers, Student Lodging Inc.
Robert Sempsey, Student Lodging Inc.
Duane Hagelgans, Blue Rock Fire Rescue
Dorothy Imel, 1902 Blue Ridge Drive, Lancaster
David Sykes, 344 Valley Road, Millersville
Phil Gerber, 122 Village Drive, Millersville
Richard Frantz, 55 N. Duke Street, Millersville
Elaine Walmer, Lancaster Newspaper
Michael Ebersole, Borough Police Officer
Abby Norman, Millersville University Student Representative
Landon Smith, Penn Manor Student Representative
Cohen Stigelman, Penn Manor Student Representative
Sue McCullough, Borough Receptionist
Emma Danae Droz, Borough Part-Time Administrative Coordinator
Jeff Margevich, Borough Chief of Police

SWEARING IN OF NEW POLICE OFFICER

Mayor Aichele conducted the swearing in of new police officer Michael Ebersole. Officer Ebersole is a veteran police officer of York City and Maryland and was accompanied by his wife and son.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

CP Lane made a motion to approve the October 14, 2025, minutes. CM Giberson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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CITIZEN REQUESTS OR CONCERNS:

Dorothy Imel, 1902 Blue Ridge Drive, Lancaster, asked questions about zoning of the Cottage Avenue Solar Project before its sale to the current owner. Council discussed getting more information to Ms. Imel after the meeting.

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

BLUE ROCK REGIONAL FIRE COMMISSION

CM Bellile reported on the Blue Rock Regional Fire Commission meeting held on October 2, 2025. The financial report was tight in September due to delay of federal reimbursement and increased vehicle and state maintenance costs. The Commission saw interest earnings of 4,442.70 for September. September had a total of 76 calls. Archaeological approval of the new facility is expected soon, and the Commission has had several meetings with PennDOT and engineers regarding the building's location and driveways. Land settlement is expected on December 31st. Lastly, Blue Rock has elections for four board members coming up soon.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE ITEMS FOR ACTION:

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

CP Lane made a motion to accept the September Financial Report and authorize staff to satisfy the ordinary and routine obligations incurred by the Borough for this month. The motion passed unanimously. This item was out of committee.

CP Lane made a motion to adopt the Resolution to Establish a Policy Relative to the Maintenance of an Adequate Operating Fund Balance, pending final comments from the Solicitor. The motion passed unanimously. This item was out of committee.

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS (CONTINUED):

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

Tony Hightower, representing the Civil Service Commission, extended congratulations to the new Officer Ebersole. He then reported that the Commission was continuing through the hiring process with twenty candidates, seven of which were Act 120 Certified, and the Commission expects to produce a full eligibility list at the next meeting.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE ITEMS FOR ACTION (CONTINUED):

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

CM Gerber made a motion to re-appoint Mike Weidinger to the Planning Commission with a new term ending date of October 31, 2029. CMs Bellile and Giberson voiced their concerns about reappointing Mr. Weidinger to the position, citing his

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behavior at past Planning Commission meetings toward themselves and other Council Members. They further noted that Mr. Weidinger's behavior spurred the adoption of a Code of Conduct for Borough Commissioners and Council Members. CMs Gerber, Cuthbert, and Kaufhold spoke to Mr. Weidinger's expertise and the importance of his knowledge on the Planning Commission, as well as the positive feedback they had received about Mr. Weidinger over the years. CM Cuthbert also noted, as a member of the Planning Commission, that Mr. Weidinger had stepped aside as chair. After discussion, a roll call vote was conducted.

CM Cuthbert – Yes

CM Kaufhold – Yes

CM Gerber – Yes

CM Giberson – No

CM Bellile – No

CM Kerlavage – Yes

CM Lane – Yes

This motion passed. This item was out of committee.

CM Gerber made a motion to nominate Angela Cuthbert to the Lancaster County Planning Commission's pool of qualified candidates for the next four years. The motion passed unanimously. This item was out of committee.

PUBLIC WELFARE AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

CM Giberson made a motion to approve the Resolution Concerning Tax-Exempt Financing for Student Lodging Solar Project. CP Lane confirmed the issuer was the PennIDA. After discussion, the motion passed unanimously. This item was out of committee.

CM Giberson then brought forward discussion and approval of Cottage Ave Solar Project Subdivision and Land Development Final Plan Submission and Waiver Requests. Council briefly discussed the waivers and then four motions were carried out:

1. CM Giberson then made a motion to conditionally approve the Subdivision and Land Development Plan for the Cottage Ave Solar Project Submitted by Student Lodging Inc, upon completion of the items in the Borough's Solicitor's 10/4/25 letter and the Engineer's 10/21/25 letter. The motion passed unanimously. This item was out of committee.
2. CM Giberson made a motion to conditionally approve the financial security of \$195,412 for the Cottage Ave Solar Project, pending final review of the Borough Engineer. Council discussed when the Borough Engineer's review would be complete. The motion passed unanimously. This item was out of committee.
3. CM Giberson made a motion to approve the waiver requests of Section 325-8 Preliminary Plan Submission, and Section 325-14.B and 325-15.A Plan Scales

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for the Cottage Ave Solar Project. The motion passed unanimously. This item was out of committee.

4. CM Giberson made a motion to approve the waiver requests of Section 320-6 Construction of curbs and sidewalks required for the Cottage Ave Solar Project. Council discussed that the walking path was anticipated to be completed in November. After discussion, the motion passed unanimously. This item was out of committee.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Chief Margevich delivered the September Police Report, in which there were 366 calls for service.

MILLERSVILLE UNIVERSITY REPORT:

Abby Norman, Millersville University Student Representative delivered the MU report. In athletics, MU is mourning the loss of student-athlete Syndey Barnes and extends its deepest sympathies to her family and friends. Also in athletics, MU partnered with Make A Wish to help a 13 year old boy with a heart condition, Silas Eberly, reveal his wish of going to the world series. Dr. Biran Trou won the 2025-2026 Educator of the Year Award and Dr. Margaret Mbindyo was named the inaugural recipient of the 2024-2025 Outstanding Faculty Service Award. MU's annual Purple Carnival was held October 23rd for Domestic Violence Awareness Month. In theater, MU would be presenting the play "Midst of Faith" in memory of local hero Hazel L Jackson on October 31st and November 1st.

The 2026-2027 FAFSA is open. MU had great attendance at its first open house for potential students on October 18th, with similar turnout expected at the final open house scheduled for November 8th. MU Will be hosting the Ville Wedding Expo on November 9th, and the 39th Annual Brossman Foundation and Ronald E. Frisbie Sr. Science Lectureship with Dr. Arthur Benjamin presenting "Mathemagics!" on November 6th. For its 15th anniversary season, the Ware Center held a celebratory evening on Sept. 20 for its community partners, supporters and local artists. Lastly, MU had another successful annual PrideFest to celebrate National Coming Out Day and students in the LGBTQIA community.

PENN MANOR REPORT:

Penn Manor Student Representatives Landon Smith and Cohen Stigelman presented the Penn Manor report. Penn Manor will be holding its 33rd annual Education Day Career Expo on November 3rd for all students grade 9-12. Penn Manor hosted Junior Achievement with its Real Life Program on October 23rd and 24th to promote financial literacy and career readiness. In sports, Penn Manor's Quiz Bowl team finished 5th of 25 teams at Lehigh Valley Invitational and were currently in the first round of WGAL Brainbusters. Two teams would be moving onto states, with both the girls field hockey and soccer teams currently competing in the district semi-finals.

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BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT:

Borough Receptionist Sue McCullough reported on the upcoming Veterans Day Ceremony, inviting those present to attend. She noted that the ceremony is truly a community event, with contributions from many community figures and organizations that make the event truly special.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

CP Lane encouraged those present to get out and vote on November 4th.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT:

CP Lane made a motion to adjourn. CM Kerlavage seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:42 PM.

Rebecca DeSantis-Randall
Borough Secretary

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