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MILLERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The MILLERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING was held on Tuesday, September 23, 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. Mayor Aichele began the meeting by recognizing the five officers from the Northern York County Regional Police Department who were wounded or killed during the week. He asked those present to remember these officers as well as officers across the country during the moment of silence. He particularly recognized the loss of Detective Sergeant Cody Becker, a Millersville University graduate, and asked that those present keep his family in their thoughts. The meeting then continued 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 – absent
Mary Ann Gerber – absent
Marianne Kerlavage – absent

OTHERS PRESENT

Duane Hagelgans, Blue Rock Fire Rescue
Elaine Walmer, Lancaster Newspaper
Dorothy Imel, 1902 Blue Ridge Drive, Lancaster
Phil Lastowski, 101 E. Charlotte Street, Millersville
Michael Miklos, 67 W. Charlotte Street, Millersville
Abby Norman, Millersville University Student Representative
Dr. Victor DeSantis, VP of External Affairs and Chief of Staff, Millersville University
Les McMullen, Borough Wastewater Superintendent
Emma Danae Droz, Borough Part-Time Administrative Coordinator
Rebecca DeSantis-Randall, Borough Manager
Jeff Margevich, Borough Chief of Police

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

CP Lane made a motion to approve the September 9, 2025, minutes. CM Giberson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CITIZEN REQUESTS OR CONCERNS: None

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

BLUE ROCK REGIONAL FIRE COMMISSION

Duane Hagelgans, representing the Blue Rock Regional Fire Commission, presented the Commission's 2026 Budget for Council consideration and approval. The main item was fundraising for the new building. The budget had no increase from the prior year. CP Lane made a motion to approve the Blue Rock Regional Fire Commission

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adopted budget for the 2026 budget year as presented. CM Cuthbert seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

Ken Eckert, representing the Civil Service Commission, reported that at the Commission had only one eligible applicant, Michael L. Ebersole, for an opening in the police department. He requested that Council approve the extension of a conditional job offer to Mr. Ebersole. CP Lane made a motion to approve the conditional hiring of Michael L. Ebersole per the guidelines of the Civil Service Commission regulations and contingent upon completion of the hiring process. CM Kaufhold seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Eckert then requested approval to reopen the hiring process and advertise for the final vacancy in the Police Department. CP Lane made a motion to approve the request by the Civil Service Commission to reopen the hiring process and advertise for the final vacancy in the Police Department. CM Giberson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE ITEMS FOR ACTION:

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

CP Lane made a motion to accept the August 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.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: None

PUBLIC WELFARE AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

CM Giberson made a motion to authorize the Borough Manager to submit a referral application to the Lancaster County Vacant Property Reinvestment Program for the property located at 109 Circle Road. The motion passed unanimously. This item was out of committee.

APPROVAL OF THE 2026-2030 CONTRACT BETWEEN MILLERSVILLE BOROUGH AND THE MILLERSVILLE BOROUGH POLICE ASSOCIATION

CP Lane brought forward approval of the 2026-2030 Contract Between Millersville Borough and the Millersville Borough Police Association. He reported that the negotiations went very well, and thanked Manager DeSantis-Randall, CM Gerber, and CM Kaufhold for their involvement. CP Lane then made a motion to approve the 2026-2030 Contract with the Millersville Borough Police Association for police services to the Borough. CM Kaufhold seconded the motion. This motion passed unanimously.

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MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Aichele reported that he attended a Pennsylvania State Mayor's Association meeting that discussed complaints and possible ordinances regarding e-bikes. He reported that Elizabethtown Borough was drafting an ordinance that would be shared with other municipalities. He also reported on the Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority's State of the Authority meeting. The Authority reported that the Frey Farm Landfill would likely reach capacity in 10 years, and the Authority had begun looking into future expansion of the Creswell Landfill. Mayor then again asked that those present keep the Northern York County Regional Police Department and police officers throughout the country in their thoughts.

Chief Margevich delivered the August Police Report, in which there were 355 calls for service. Mayor finally thanked Council for their approval of the conditional hiring of Mr. Ebersole.

MILLERSVILLE UNIVERSITY REPORT:

Abby Norman, Millersville University Student Representative, and Dr. Victor DeSantis, VP of External Affairs and Chief of Staff at Millersville University, delivered the MU report. Ms. Norman reported that MU had named 12 alumni Marvelous Marauders, and MU received the 2025 Higher Education Excellence and Distinction Award from "Insight Into Academia" magazine for inclusive excellence. MU will be offering AI endorsement for K-12 educators. Ms. Norman then reported on upcoming events, including Defy the Odds: Breast-a-Ville on October 1st for breast cancer prevention and education and various Homecoming events on October 3rd and 4th. In athletics, Ms. Norman further reported that the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference recognized its 75 Greatest Female Athletes, five of whom were MU alumni. An MU student, Catherine Samer, was named a Newman Civic Fellow and an MU professor, Dr. Robert Bookmiller, was named a 2025-2026 Council on Foreign Relations Education Ambassador. Lastly, Ms. Norman reported on the upcoming theatre season, including *The Laramie Project* in Fall 2025 and *The Good Doctor* in Spring 2026.

Dr. DeSantis then thanked Chief Margevich, Blue Rock Fire Rescue, and the Borough Streets Department for their attendance at the MU Parade luncheon and additional parade planning.

PENN MANOR REPORT:

Manager DeSantis-Randall reported that two representatives from Penn Manor would be appearing at the next fourth Tuesday Council meeting.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT:

Manager DeSantis-Randall noted the success of Saturday in the Park. She particularly thanked MU for sending students for MU's Day of Caring to help prepare the park for the event.

She then brought forward discussion and approval of a request of escrow reduction for the Bellaride at Crossgates Phase II Project in the amount of \$118,310.50. She noted that \$598,878.43 would be left in escrow after the request. Council discussed the amount, and Manager DeSantis-

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Randall noted that the number presented to Council is lower than the original request after Borough Engineer's review. CP Lane then made a motion to authorize the reduction of escrow held for the Bellaride at Crossgates Phase II project in the amount of \$118,310.50, bringing the total escrow still held on the project to \$590,878.43. CM Giberson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Manager DeSantis-Randall and Borough Wastewater Superintendent, Les McMullen, then brought forward discussion and approval to execute a Settlement Agreement with PA Fish and Boat Commission. She reviewed the details of the March 15th Waste Activated Sludge Incident and the Borough's reporting process to the PA DEP and the PA Fish and Boat Commission. The PA Fish and Boat Commission has since issued the Borough a fine of \$5,300.00 for a "severe pollution event". Council discussed the Borough's due diligence since the event to prevent further incidents, the size of the fine, whether the Borough or the contractor were at fault, and the importance of the Borough's quick reporting in this event. After discussion, CP Lane made a motion to authorize the execution of the Settlement Agreement for Pollution of Waterways with the PA Fish and Boat Commission, upon final review of the Solicitor. CM Kaufhold seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Lastly, Manager DeSantis-Randall brought forward discussion of IT contract renewal with Sidium Solutions for 2025-2028. She noted that the Borough was pleased with Sidium's service. The new contract showed price increases. In order to lock in a lower price, staff recommend upgrading from the "Silver" package to the "Gold" package for its inclusion of increased cybersecurity features, some of which the Borough already pays for separately, and a larger discount on incurred labor hours. Council asked about a longer contract option, which Manager DeSantis-Randall noted was not available but a sliding pay-scale option was available if Council was interested. After discussion, CP Lane made a motion to execute a three-year master services agreement with Sidium Solutions LLC for information technology support of all Borough operations. CM Cuthbert seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

CP Lane further recognized the Northern York County Regional Police Department. He also noted the success of Saturday in the Park. Lastly, he noted again the success of the police contract negotiations, and he further thanked those involved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT:

CM Giberson made a motion to adjourn. CP Lane seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:43 PM.

Rebecca DeSantis-Randall
Borough Secretary

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