

**WERNERSVILLE BOROUGH
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
October 1, 2025**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

**DAVID LATINO, PRESIDENT
JIM PIERCE, VICE PRESIDENT
LINDA DAPCIC-ANGST
CARL REIDLER
KEEGAN WORLEY
JOSH FIDLER**

ALSO PRESENT:

**MICHAEL GOMBAR, SOLICITOR
DEBRA PIERCE, SECRETARY
JENNIFER VELEZ, ASSISTANT SECRETARY
MATT ZERR, ROADMASTER
TIM CROUSE, PUBLIC WORKS
DET. ROB HEIDEN, SOUTH HEIDELBERG POLICE
JARED RENSHAW, WESTERN BERKS FIRE DEPARTMENT
GLENN BERTOLET, KRAFT MUNICIPAL GROUP
KEN FULMER, GVC**

ABSENT:

**MAYOR, MELISSA DEAN
ROB GORDON**

D. Latino called the Wernersville Borough Council Meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Motion made by J. Fidler to approve the minutes from the September 3, 2025 regular Council meeting and the September 25 Special meeting. J. Pierce seconded and carried unanimously.

Visitors:

None

Police Report: Written Report Submitted. 363 calls for September and 71 were in the Borough.

Fire Report: Written Report Submitted. 109 calls for the month of September. 16 calls were in the Borough.

Jared Mentioned that their Open House is this Saturday, October 4, 2025 from 9-2.

Jared presented a power point about the proposed new Intermunicipal Agreement Revisions. This would include a standard milage rate across all 4 municipalities that are served by the Western Berks Fire Department. More information will be shared in the next month or two.

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Western Berks Ambulance: Written report submitted. 63 Calls for the month of September. 36 were in Phoebe.

Wernersville Public Library: No Written report submitted.

EMC Report: No report submitted

Engineer Report: Written report submitted.

West Ridge Suites: I have not received any info regarding traffic counts have been taken at Penn Ave. and Furnace Rd. I sent a memo on September 22 regarding the Transportation Agreement between Grande and South Heidelberg Township.

Sewer Planning Module: Still waiting from the Wernersville Municipal Authority regarding this and whether it is ready for Borough Council to take action.

K. Fulmer suggests having the Water Authority do a study about servicing the properties on Furnace Rd to see if they can be connected to the Public sewer. There are 5 properties in the Borough that are not currently connected to the public sewer.

Stone Ridge Subdivision: Nothing to Report.

K. Fulmer indicated that Laura Gande told him that the street will be dedicated in 2026.

2025 Street Projects: All Paperwork has been submitted to PennDot and they will be closing out the project.

Zoning and Building Enforcement Report: Written report submitted for September. 3 permits were issued, 8 Property Maintenance issues and 9 zoning issues.

- **Joint Zoning Ordinance Amendments** follow up from previous discussion. Proposed amendments were included in a document for Council to review.
- **55 W. Gaul St:** Sidewalk has still not been installed. Motion made by C. Reidler to cite the owner of 55 W Gaul St. Motion seconded by J. Fidler and carried unanimously.

Public Works: Written report submitted.

Part Time Employee: Motion made by K. Worley to hire Craig Matthew as a Part Time Public Works Employee at \$20/hr, pending background check. Motion seconded by J. Pierce and carried unanimously.

Recreation Board:

Nothing to report

Mayor's Report:

No written Report submitted.

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Council's Report:

Linda Dapcic-Angst: Do we want to take action on a No Plastic Bag Ordinance?

Linda discussed the plastic bag Ordinance with Council. Council decided to take no action at this time.

Linda also discussed an LSA Grant that is due by November 30, for up to 1 Million Dollars. She requested that any ideas for the grant be sent to her by the Budget meeting on Monday, October 13. This will be put on the November Agenda as an action item to authorize Linda to apply for the Grant.

Dave Latino: Dave told Council that the Borough has been conducting interviews for a new Part Time Secretary.

Keegan Worley: Keegan told Council that everything regarding the Tennis Courts and prevailing wage has been settled. Work will begin in the Spring of 2026.

Keegan asked Council for a letter of support for an LSA Grant that the WMA would like to apply for to repair Reservoir 3 (behind the Novitiate). This will be added to the Agenda for the Budget meeting on October 13, 2025. Keegan will write the letter of support for Council to approve.

Solicitor's Report: Written report submitted.

Ordinance for Robesonia-Wernersville Municipal Authority: Motion made by J. Pierce to enact an Ordinance to amend the Articles of Incorporation for Robesonia-Wernersville Municipal Authority in order to extend the term of its existence to September 30, 2075. Motion seconded by C. Reidler and carried unanimously.

Old Business:

Snow Emergency Ordinance: Council and Public works discussed the revised Snow Emergency Route Ordinance. Motion made J. Fidler to amend Ordinance #637 for incorrect Ordinance 546 being repealed (The correct Ordinance is #491) and also to amend the ordinance as follows: Washington St, Pine Street and Fairview Street will be removed from the list of Snow Emergency Routes. Motion seconded by J. Pierce and carried unanimously.

New Business:

Trash Liens: Motion made by J. Pierce to file liens against the following properties:

Sabrina Elmarzouky 78 S. Reber St. for \$490;

Cindy Miller 140 S. Reber St. for \$490;

Richard Beidler 35 W. Washington St. for \$361.22;

Steve Koch 207 S. Rosewood Ct. for \$375;

Joe Miller 143 Beckley St. for \$375.00.

George Saltzman, 439 Mountain Blvd. \$720.

Motion seconded by J. Fidler and carried unanimously.

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Monthly Bills: Motion made by J. Fidler to approve the bill list and bills previously paid to avoid penalty. L. Dapcic-Angst seconded and carried. J. Pierce abstained.

Balance Sheet: Motion made by L. Dapcic-Angst to accept the Balance Sheet. C. Reidler seconded and carried. J. Pierce abstained.

Budget Meeting: Monday, October 13, 2025 @ 6pm.

Next Council Meeting: Wednesday, November 5, 2025 at 7pm.

Motion made by L. Dapcic-Angst to adjourn the meeting at 9:00pm. Motion seconded by J. Pierce and carried unanimously.

Attest:

Borough Secretary