



**MOHNTON BOROUGH  
BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**

**NOVEMBER 12, 2025 7:00pm  
(6:30pm BUDGET HEARING)**

*- Public Welcome -*

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Budget meeting was called to Order at 6:30pm by Council President, Jon Davis who presided. The meeting was called to Order at 7:00 PM by Council President, Jon Davis who presided. Pledge of Allegiance was said, and roll taken. *Announcement: Meeting being recorded for accuracy.*

In attendance:

**Council Members:**

Jon Davis  
Lori Kruze  
Jason Kercher  
Brian Simmon

Gary Hafer  
Alicia Bressler  
Jerry Boughton -*absent*  
Eric Burgis, Mayor

**Borough Attendees:**

Loretta Imbody, Operations Manager/Sec.  
Jason Ulrich, Solicitor  
Matthew Rieger, Engineer *absent*

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**GUEST:**

**Paul Janssen (Excellence in Local Government)** – Public Reading of 2026 Budget.  
**Governor Mifflin Library Representatives** – 2025 Library review.  
**Buddy Styer** – Compliment to Council for won elections. **Fern Street:** Maintenance of trees lining wall.  
**Patti Drenning** – Leaf Pickup, possible extension. Noise Ordinance for barking dogs questions.  
**Kim Shrom (Finance Manager)** 2025-2026 Projects and Grants Review

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT:** - *Report submitted. Jon Davis.*

**ENGINEER REPORT:** - *Matthew Rieger - absent*

**MS4 Permit Tasks**

- Isett will schedule a meeting with the Borough to review year-end permit items and discuss 2026 MS4 goals.
- The current MS4 permit expires in 2026. DEP requires submission of a renewal application by January 1st. Isett will prepare the renewal application and supplemental documents for the Borough’s review and approval before submission.
- Isett continues to attend monthly Wyomissing Creek Watershed Coalition (WCWC) meetings. Mohnton Borough will provide MS4 sediment reduction calculations for completed projects, and Isett will coordinate with the Borough to finalize these figures.
- The Coalition is evaluating potential locations for additional Pollutant Reduction Plan (PRP) projects that would benefit all member municipalities. A site visit to assess MS4

applicability is planned before Thanksgiving.

**Highbrooke Project**

- All required easements have been secured.
- The DEP has determined that the project does not qualify for a waiver under Chapter 105, and that a Joint Permit application as currently proposed due to the anticipated loss of the watercourse near the bottom of the hill.
- The USDA Representative we were working with is still furloughed due to the federal government shutdown. Prior to this, Isett and the Borough were working to meet the USDA’s grant requirements to advance the project to the bidding phase and secure funds.

**Sport Court Improvements**

- The courts are now paved. SLC plans to install fencing, equipment, and seed/stabilize disturbed areas before Thanksgiving. Acrylic surfacing will likely occur in Spring 2026.
- Some low spots (“birdbaths”) were observed in the finished pavement. While this is common in sport court construction due to precise slope requirements, Isett will be meeting with SLC and the Breneman company on Wednesday, 11/12 to review the finished pavement and determine if these areas can be corrected by acrylic leveling, or if other corrections are needed.
- SLC has submitted Payment Application #2 to Isett. We provided comments on 11/5. If the Payment Application can be revised to our satisfaction, it will be forwarded to the Borough with our payment recommendation before the Council Meeting.
- We recommend submitting a reimbursement request to the DCED before the end of the year that covers 2025 construction costs, and a second request once the project is substantially complete.

**Fern Street Retaining Wall** – The Borough is working with residents to obtain the required Easements needed for construction. Construction Masters Services, LLC. intends to perform this work beginning on November 17th. A pre-construction meeting was held at the Borough Office on October 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Grants -**

**SOLICITOR REPORT: - Jason Ulrich, Esq.**

**ORDINANCE:**

✓ **MOTION and Discussion:** To authorize advertisement of an Ordinance to approve Real Estate tax increase of 2Mils, and to advertise the 2026 budget with suitable amendments.

*Motion: 2<sup>nd</sup>: all in favor **Changed, see below.***

✓ **MOTION and Discussion:** To authorize advertisement of an Ordinance to approve Real Estate tax increase of 1Mil, and to advertise the 2026 budget with suitable amendments.

*Motion: Gary Hafer 2<sup>nd</sup>: Alicia Bressler all in favor*

✓ **MOTION and Discussion:** To authorize advertisement of an Ordinance to approve Fire tax increase of .25Mils.

*Motion: Jason Kercher 2<sup>nd</sup>: Brian Simmon all in favor*

✓ **MOTION and Discussion:** To authorize advertisement of an Ordinance Sewer rate increase of 10%.

*Motion: Gary Hafer 2<sup>nd</sup>: Alicia Bressler all in favor*

✓ **MOTION and Discussion:** To authorize advertisement of an Ordinance Trash rate increase of 15%, \$391.00.

*Motion: Jason Kercher 2<sup>nd</sup>: Brian Simmon all in favor*

✓ **MOTION and Discussion:** To authorize advertisement of an Ordinance to the Handicap Parking Ordinance.

*Motion: Alicia Bressler 2<sup>nd</sup>: Lori Kruse all in favor*

✓ **MOTION and Discussion:** To authorize advertisement of an Ordinance for enforcement of Feral Cats within the Borough.

*Motion: Alicia Bressler 2<sup>nd</sup>: Jason Kercher all in favor*

**MOTION and Discussion:** *To authorize advertisement of Year End Ordinances as follows:*

- LERTA Reauthorization
- Local Services Tax Reauthorization
- Real Estate Property Transfer Tax
- 2026 Occupational Assessment Tax Reauthorization

*Motion: Gary Hafer 2<sup>nd</sup>: Brian Simmon all in favor*

**MOTION and Discussions:**

✓ **MOTION:** To Approve 2026 Paul Janssen Contract with Mohnton Borough.

*Motion: Gary Hafer 2<sup>nd</sup>: Brian Simmon all in favor*

✓ **MOTION:** To approve advertising of Vacancy Board.

*Motion: Alicia Bressler 2<sup>nd</sup>: Jason Kercher all in favor*

✓ **DISCUSSION:** Potential changes for the Fee Schedule by Resolution at the December Meeting.

✓ **MOTION:** To approve the LSA Statewide Application. Church Street.

*Motion: Alicia Bressler 2<sup>nd</sup>: Lori Kruse all in favor*

**POLICE CHIEF REPORT: Mayor Eric Burgis**

**FIRE CHIEF REPORT: Reported.**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT: - Jon Davis**

✓ **MOTION:** To Approve resignation of Technicon Enterprises Inc., II.

*Motion: Jason Kercher 2<sup>nd</sup>: Alicia Bressler all in favor*

✓ **MOTION:** Hire Great Valley Consultants as the Codes Enforcement Company for Mohnton Borough.

*Motion: Brian Simmon 2<sup>nd</sup>: Gary Hafer all in favor*

**MAYOR REPORT: - Eric Burgis**

✓ **MOTION:** To Approve hire Part time Police Officer Christopher Fallara.

*Motion: Gary Hafer 2<sup>nd</sup>: Brian Simmon all in favor*

✓ **MOTION:** To approve the pay rate increases for the Mohnton Fire Department employees.

Rate of: \$18.50 for drivers. \$17.50 for crewmen.

*Motion: Jon Davis 2<sup>nd</sup>: Jason Kercher all in favor*

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION REPORT: - Jon Davis**

✓ **MOTION:** Motion to pay bills. Review of Bills to pay.

*Motion: Brian Simmon 2<sup>nd</sup>: Alicia Bressler all in favor*

### **PERSONNEL AND PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT: - Jerry Boughton absent**

### **PARKS AND RECREATION PROGRAMS REPORT: Lori Kruse**

*No report.*

### **BUILDINGS, GROUNDS AND ZONING REPORT: - Gary Hafer**

*Doors scheduled to be in the next week or so.*

### **GRANTS, COMM. RELATIONS, INTER-GOVERNMENT COOPERATION REPORT: - Brian Simmon**

*No report.*

### **STREETS AND LIGHTS REPORT: - Jason Kercher**

*Northridge light outage discussion.*

### **HEALTH, SANITATION, WATER, SEWER REPORT: - Alicia Bressler**

*No report.*

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### **Motion to accept all reports.**

***Motion to accept, made by:*** Brian Simmon 2<sup>nd</sup>: Lori Kruse *all in favor.*

**Executive Session:** Held.

### **Old Business:**

✓ **MOTION: Motion to accept minutes of last General Meeting.**

*Motion: Gary Hafer 2<sup>nd</sup>: Brian Simmon all in favor*

### **New Business:**

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*There being no other new business, old business, comments or notes from other Council Members nor any other action items,*

### **Motion to Adjourn meeting:**

***Motion to accept, made by:*** Gary Hafer 2<sup>nd</sup> by: Lori Kruse *All unopposed, motion carried*

**Adjournment** - The meeting adjourned at 8:16pm