



MOHNTON BOROUGH BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 8, 2025 7:00pm

- Public Welcome -

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 *absent*
Brian Simmon

Gary Hafer
Alicia Bressler
Eric Burgis, Mayor

Borough Attendees:

Loretta Imbody, Operations Manager
Jason Ulrich, Solicitor
Matthew Rieger, Engineer

GUEST: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: Residents from Reed Street. Inquiry into documents received to sign prior to Reed Street repairs.

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

Number of new building permits being worked on.

Many of the NOV letters are being worked on in-house. Weeds and overgrowth of properties.

ENGINEER REPORT: - *Matthew Rieger*

Borough MS4 & PRP Items

MS4 Permit Tasks

- The 2025 MS4 Annual Report and supporting documentation was uploaded to the DEP's online portal ahead of the September 30th deadline.
- Isett will continue assisting the Borough with MS4 general permitting requirements, working with the Wyomissing Creek Watershed Coalition (WCWC) to discuss the joint Pollution Reduction Plan (PRP) and working with the Berks MS4 steering committee to ensure Minimum Control Measures (MCM) are addressed.

Highbrooke Project

- All temporary and permanent easements have been signed by the property owners, the Borough, and WCWC.
- 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.
- We are currently awaiting additional information from the USDA regarding project funding and next steps. Isett and the Borough have been working to meet the USDA's grant requirements to advance the project to the bidding phase and secure funds.

2025 Road Improvements – Sacks and Sons substantially completed the milling, paving, and Epler Street reconstruction work on September 2, 2025. Their invoice covering all of the work is provided with this report. We have reviewed the completed work against the invoice and respectfully recommend payment.

Sport Court Improvements – Construction is underway. SLC Excavating intends to pave the courts in early October and have the Breneman Company install acrylic surfacing in early November. If weather conditions are not suitable for acrylic surfacing in November, SLC may install temporary striping and return for acrylic surfacing in the Spring.

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 in November. A pre-construction meeting is scheduled at the Borough Office on October 15th.

Grants – update given.

SOLICITOR REPORT: - Jason Ulrich, Esq.

- ✓ **MOTION:** To Approve 2024 Audit as advertised.
Motion: Alicia Bressler 2nd: Jerry Boughton all in favor
- ✓ **MOTION:** Approve advertised LGUDA Ordinance in the amount of \$500,000.00.
Motion: Gary Hafer 2nd: Brian Simmon all in favor
- ✓ **MOTION:** To approve Updated Trash Fees Resolution with a flat amount of \$340.00 per year and a late amount due after June 30 of \$399.50.
Motion: Gary Hafer 2nd: Alicia Bressler all in favor
- ✓ **MOTION:** Approve Records Disposal Form.
Motion: Lori Kruse 2nd: Brian Simmon all in favor
- ✓ **MOTION:** Approve Resolution releasing funds held for Fern Street litigation.
Motion: Gary Hafer 2nd: Brian Simmon all in favor

POLICE CHIEF REPORT: Chief Eric Pistilli

FIRE CHIEF REPORT: Reported.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT: - Jon Davis

No report.

MAYOR REPORT: - Eric Burgis

- ✓ **MOTION:** Approve purchase of 2 Police Glock guns, Witmer Public Safety. \$3480.06.
Purchase of 100 Ticket Books (5000 forms) \$2307.40.
Motion: Alicia Bressler 2nd: Brian Simmon all in favor

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION REPORT: - Jon Davis

- ✓ **MOTION:** Motion to pay bills. Review of Bills to pay.
Motion: Gary Hafer 2nd: Brian Simmon all in favor
- ✓ **MOTION:** Approve borrowing \$67439.02K from the General Fund to help cover \$128,939.02K for Sacks and Sons invoice (Road Improvements). Balance of \$61,500 from Liquid Fuels fund.
Motion: Brian Simmon 2nd: Lori Kruse all in favor
- ✓ **MOTION:** Approve Sacks and Sons Invoice for \$128,939.02 for the 2025 Road Improvements.
Motion: Gary Hafer 2nd: Brian Simmon all in favor
- ✓ **MOTION:** Approve Fire Apparatus Fleet and Fire Station Evaluation Report Invoice:
Total: \$14,800.00, cost to Mohnton Borough \$7400.00.
Motion: Alicia Bressler 2nd: Jerry Boughton all in favor
- ✓ **MOTION:** Approve SLC Excavating Payment, #1 for Mohnton Sport Court Improvements Project.
Payment due: \$40920.36 which accounts for 10% retainage in the amount of \$4546.67
Motion: Gary Hafer 2nd: Lori Kruse all in favor
- ✓ **MOTION:** Approve Sewer Specialty Services Quote: \$3850.00. Televis inlet on F. Skip Zerbie.
Motion: Alicia Bressler 2nd: Lori Kruse all in favor

RESOLUTIONS:

- ✓ **MOTION:** Approve a new Vacancy Board. Change: Motion to table for next General Meeting.
Motion: Jerry Boughton 2nd: Lori Kruse all in favor

ORDINANCE:

- ✓ **MOTION:** Approve Obligation Note of \$500,000.
Motion: Gary Hafer 2nd: Brian Simmon all in favor

Sport Court Donation: Jon Davis announced and expressed appreciation for the Lions Club donation of \$10,000.

2026 Council Chairs Announced:

PERSONNEL AND PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT: - Jerry Boughton no report

- ✓ **MOTION:** Motion to add Dave Argentati as an additional alternate for the Civil Service Commission. This gives the Commission 2 alternate members in addition to the 3 voting members.
Motion: Jerry Boughton 2nd: Lori Kruse all in favor

PARKS AND RECREATION PROGRAMS REPORT: Lori Kruse

Mifflin Library would like to donate a give a book take a book stand. *Discussion where to place the stand. It will be placed where there are security cameras.*

BUILDINGS, GROUNDS AND ZONING REPORT: - Gary Hafer

Signs for playground – pavilions rent only per the Ordinance.

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

No report.

STREETS AND LIGHTS REPORT: - Jason Kercher absent

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

No report.

Motion to accept all reports.

Motion to accept, made by: Alicia Bressler 2nd: Lori Kruse *all in favor.*

Executive Session: Held.

Old Business:

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

Motion: Gary Hafer 2nd: Brian Simmon all in favor

New Business:

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: Brian Simmon 2nd by: Lori Kruse *All unopposed, motion carried*

Adjournment - The meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.