



MOHNTON BOROUGH BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 9, 2026 7:00pm

- Public Welcome -

The meeting was called to Order at 7:00 PM by Council President, Jason Kercher
Pledge of Allegiance was said, and roll taken.

Announcement: Meeting being recorded for accuracy.

In attendance:

Council Members:

Lori Kruze
Jason Kercher
Alicia Bressler
Eric Burgis, Mayor- *absent*
Brian Simmon

Jerry Boughton - *absent*
Michael Derr - *absent*
Cathy Przyjemski

Borough Attendees:

Loretta Imbody, Operations Manager/Sec.
Tom Focht – Police Officer
Jason Ulrich, Solicitor
Brad Smith, Engineer
Terry Naugle, Codes

CALL TO ORDER, and Pledge of Allegiance:

Meeting recorded for minute's accuracy.

ROLL CALL: Absent, Eric Burgis, Jerry Boughton, Michael Derr

GUEST: Governor Mifflin Library - Representative reviews 2026.

PUBLIC COMMENT(s):

Buddy Styer

Fern Street deterioration – shared pictures.

Weed Compliant Properties - in the neighborhood.

Trash – Reported on trash left out on off days. 112 S. Church.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT: **Terry Naugle**, Great Valley Consultants
Report submitted.

ENGINEER REPORT: - **Brad Smith**, Barry Isett & Associates, Inc.

1. Borough MS4 & PRP Items

Isett is preparing the draft report for the Borough's review by August 21, 2026.

2. Highbrooke Project

A meeting was held on July 29, 2026 with USDA representative Sean McElroy. USDA will need to issue approval prior to the Borough proceeding with the project. Tree clearing can only be performed between November 15 and March 31.

3. 2026 Road Improvements.

Ronnie C. Folk Paving was awarded the project.

A pre-construction meeting was held on Wednesday, June 10th, at the Borough Hall.

Construction began on June 26th. Isett has a representative on site observing the work.

Isett is processing final payment application from Ronnie C. Folk.

4. DCNR C2P2 Planning Grant for Park Master Site Plan:

Action Item:

A kickoff meeting between Isett and the Borough needs to be scheduled.

5. Northridge Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation: \$419,666 was awarded to rehabilitate sanitary sewer mains, manholes, and laterals in the Northridge neighborhoods. Isett is preparing a proposal for the development of sketches, details, contract administration, and construction support services. Work is anticipated to occur in 2027. The grant expires in 2029.

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6. Grants

LSA Grants

Action Items: Authorization is needed to apply for the following grants:

LSA Category 4, due September 30, 2026 for police equipment.

LSA Statewide, due November 30, 2026 for stormwater culverts.

SUBMITTED – DCED Greenways, Trails, and Recreation (GTRP) Fund

Front Street Basketball Court

Grant Ask: \$69,989.00 Match: \$12,351.00 (15%) Project Total: \$82,340.00

Action Item: Council to memorialize that this grant request should be withdrawn.

SUBMITTED – 2026 DCED Multimodal Transportation Fund

Main Street and Fern Street Culvert Improvements

Grant Ask: \$537,006 Match: No match required Project Total: \$767,151

SUBMITTED – 2026 PennDOT Multimodal Transportation Fund

Main Street and Fern Street Culvert Improvements

Grant Ask: \$537,006 Match: \$230,145 (30%) Project Total: \$767,151

SUBMITTED – 2025 DCED LSA Statewide

Project: Church Street Improvements

Grant Ask: \$431,033.85 Match: No match required. Project Total: \$431,033.85

TOTAL MATCH FOR APPLIED GRANTS FOR OUR UNDER REVIEW - \$230,145

SOLICITOR REPORT: - Jason Ulrich

Decision: RTK - Max Kraft – Copier – Printer – Multifunction Device Records. Review and decide on approval. 30 day letter emailed to Max Kraft on 8 26 26. Jason explained we must provide information for this request.

Highbrooke easements were returned to the Borough to resend due to incorrect information on the documents. Need to get notarized.

Meeting with Sean McElroy for the Highbrooke project on Wednesday to review the 9 items assigned to Jason U. for completion – 8 are completed.

POLICE CHIEF REPORT: Tom Focht Report submitted.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT: Report submitted.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT: - Jason Kercher

RESOLUTION:

✓ **MOTION:** Motion to approve the USDA Letter of Conditions for Agreement to the Mohnton Borough Highbrooke Stormwater Channel Stabilization Project.

Motion: 2nd: *Correction: Done in last meeting.*

MAYOR REPORT: - Eric Burgis

Fire Company Grant: Plymovent System Contract \$59,857.14. Balance paid by Mohnton Borough \$2992.86.

✓ **MOTION:** Motion to approve the Plymovent System Grant Contract - \$2992.86

Motion: Alicia Bressler 2nd: Brian Simmon all in favor

✓ **MOTION:** Establish Police Corporal position in 2027. Subject to review with the Police Union Contract.

Motion: Alicia Bressler 2nd: Lori Kruse all in favor

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION REPORT: - Cathy Przyjemski

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

Motion: Jason Kercher 2nd: Brian Simmon all in favor

✓ **MOTION:** Motion to renew with CodeRED notification system for a 3 year Agreement.

Motion: Brian Simmon 2nd: Alicia Bressler all in favor

RESOLUTION:

✓ **MOTION:** Motion to approve the 2025-year end Audit Resolution.

Motion: Lori Kruse 2nd: Brian Simmon all in favor

RESOLUTION:

✓ **MOTION:** Motion to approve the DCED Local Share Account, Cat 4 Grant of \$56,954 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to acquire 6 Axon tazer 10 devices, and 4 Axon Body worn cameras.

Motion: Jason Kercher 2nd: Brian Simmon all in favor

✓ **MOTION:** Motion to approve raising taxes for:

Trash:

Motion: 2nd:

Property Tax:

Motion: 2nd:

Fire Tax:

Motion: 2nd:

Content for next General Meeting.

PERSONNEL AND PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT: - Jerry Boughton – absent Jason Kercher

✓ **MOTION:** Accept resignation of Mayor Eric Burgis.

Motion: Alicia Bressler 2nd: Cathy Przyjemski all in favor

PARKS AND RECREATION PROGRAMS REPORT: - Lori Kruse

DECISION: New MAYBA Contract.

New Contract needs to be revised and submitted for vote.

BUILDINGS, GROUNDS AND ZONING REPORT: - Michael Derr - absent

Pole Building is up and footers are concreted in and sealed shut.

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE & INHOUSE CODES: : - Brian Simmon

No report.

STREETS AND LIGHTS REPORT: - Jason Kercher

✓ **MOTION:** Motion to approve replacing 14 street lights in next years budget.

3 Quotes:

Hirneisen @\$540 each = \$7560 - Council decided to hire this contractor.

Pagoda @\$710 each = \$9940

HB Frazer @\$1545 each = \$21636.72

Motion: Cathy Przyjemski 2nd: Lori Kruse all in favor

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

✓ **MOTION:** Motion to accept an additional one-year term with Berks Transfer. As part of the extension, Berks Transfer will maintain the current 2026 pricing throughout 2027.

Motion: Jason Kercher 2nd: Brian Simmon all in favor

Motion to accept all reports.

Motion to accept, made by: Brian Simmon 2nd by: Alicia Bressler all in favor, motion carried

Executive Session: No session.

Old Business:

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

Motion: Cathy Przyjemski 2nd: Brian Simmon all in favor

New Business:

Brian Simmon – This year we’re going to be doing Christmas in the Park in December. The first planning meeting will be next Wednesday the 16th at 7:00 PM If there’s any volunteers that want to help please come to the Borough Hall There will be more to come.

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

Motion to Adjourn meeting: 7:52PM

Motion to accept, made by: Brian Simmon 2nd by: Cathy Przyjemski All unopposed, motion carried