

BOROUGH OF DUNCANSVILLE

315 14th Street Duncansville, PA 16635

June 9th, 2025

Call Meeting to Order: 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance -

Attendance -

Annette Lewis

Cindy Blontz

Dave Shaw

Jerrica Grance

Eric Fritz

Nicole Estep

Rodney Estep

Michael Emerick

Prior Meeting Minutes –

Motion: Approve the minutes of the May 12th, 2025 meeting.

Moved By: Nicole Estep

Second: Cindy Blontz

Motion: Approve Municipal Authority minutes from May 1st, 2025.

Moved By: Cindy Blontz

Second: Nicole Estep

Visitors –



Gary Detwiler

Delorise Stroup – Raised concerns regarding:

- The stop sign at Sunbrook Manor
- Drainage issues on Sunbrook Drive causing winter ice
- McCadum Street conditions
- Heavy traffic and a malfunctioning traffic light (stated light did not change for 16+ minutes)

Rodney Estep responded that hot patch will be used to fill potholes until funding is available for repaving and drainage.

Visitors Continued –

James Eicher – Addressed safety issues at the pickleball and basketball courts:

- Pole placement too close to the hoop
- Damaged bench
- Improperly placed fence prevents one-on-one play
- Garbage is not being emptied

🔍 **Rodney Knol**

🔍 **Sue Koronowski** – Noted that Google incorrectly lists her address (601 Park Ave) as the park's location.

Admin Report – Financial Reports & Budget were presented.

Dave Shaw inquired about a \$50,000 increase in the Community Center Loan.

Mr. Estep explained that an unpaid invoice from Season Aire was recently settled, adjusting the loan balance.

Motion: Close bank account #8689 (book printing)

Moved by: Nicole Estep

Second: Cindy Blontz

Donna Cruse Pavilion Request – Donna requested use of the pavilion on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, June through August. Council President, Annette Lewis, approved the use on a first-come, first-served basis (excluding Community Days week).

Mayors Report – The Police report has been included in the meeting documents.

Motion: Approve Police Report

Moved by: Nicole Estep

Second: Cindy Blontz

LPR System – Functioning effectively. Rod Estep used it to identify an individual with a suspended license.

Managers' Report –

Phase II Bids were received June 3rd. The lowest bid is: \$171,000 from Mid-state. Moving forward with phase 2 renovations, Mr. Estep presented the council with 5 options. Those 5 options are included with the meeting documents.

Mr. Fritz suggested option 5 as the best option to move forward with. The council agreed with option 5.

Motion: Accept lowest bid, remove siding & proceed with Option 5.

Moved by: Nicole Estep

Second: Dave Shaw

Dump Truck Financing options were presented to the council.

- First National Bank: 5.05% for 5 years, first payment Oct. 2026
- Ford Financing: 8.49%
- First Commonwealth Bank: 5.432%

Motion: Proceed with First National Bank

Moved by: Cindy Blontz

Second: Dave Shaw

Mr. Estep spoke to Grannas Brothers regarding the 4th Ave paving project. Grannas brothers will be submitting a bid.

Mr Estep spoke regarding a potential project. Preliminary approval by Conservation District for additions to 4th Ave, 5th Ave, and I-99 underpass. More project details to come.

Lastly, Mr. Estep expressed that he feels that Bryan Rhodes, the Zoning Officer for the Borough should conceal carry a weapon. Bryan drives the police car while looking for code violations and Mr. Estep feels that Bryan should have the means to defend himself if needed. Mr. Estep will consult the solicitor and insurance provider.

Solicitor –

Mr. Emerick spoke of the 14th Street Ally closure. Mr. Emerick will advertise the ordinance in the newspaper.

Motion: Approve advertising of 14th Street Ally closure.

Moved by: Cindy Blontz

Second: Nicole Estep

Engineer – A report has been provided to council.

Committees – Building & Grounds: Mr. Estep will discuss the options for the basketball hoop with James Batzel.

Finance:

Fire Company: Mr. Lloyd has not received any recent burning complaints.

Parks & Recreation: Mr. Estep stated that he has a contract for the DCED mini grant for the park pavilion. Mike will be reviewing the contract.

Motion: Rodney Estep to be signer on the Mini grant contract.

Moved By: Nicole

Second: Dave Shaw

Annette Lewis suggested having a park clean up day on June 25th.

Street & Equipment: The street sweeping continues. Mrs. Blontz stated that she has not seen the street sweeper out.

Water & Sewer: Approve Water & Sewer report.

Motion: Approve Water & Sewer reports

Moved by: Nicole Estep

Second: Cindy Blontz

Duncansville Community Days: Community Days is fast approaching.

Mr. Fritz stated that the event is in need of non-profits as some have dropped out this year. A lot of volunteers are also needed.

The dog Run/Walk that was organized by Nicole Flanders was very successful. She raised nearly \$7,000 for the dog park. Aran, Nicole & Jerrica continue to work on the Dog Park plans and execution.

Unfinished Business –

New Business –

Next Meeting – July 14th, 2025 @ 7 p.m. – Municipal Complex

Motion: Approve and pay the May bills

Moved by: Nicole Estep

Second: Dave Shaw

Meeting Adjourned – 8:13 p.m.