



Borough Council Minutes

November 12, 2025

7:30 pm

Call to Order, Salute to the Flag.

Mr. Eric Kudrich President	P	Mr. John Bush Jr Councilman	P	Mr. Scott Myer Treasurer	A	Mr. Shawn Bolles Zoning/Code Enforcement Office	P
Mr. Mark Madsen Vice President	P	Mr. Jon Maney Councilman	P	Ms. Amy Turner Tax Collector	P	Mr. Dave Clark Municipal Authority	P
Mr. Sean Alessandra Councilman	A	Mr. Harry Prey Councilman	P	Mr. Tom Olver EMA	A		
Mrs. Lisa Salvato Councilwoman	P	Ms. Shannon O'Leary Junior Council	P	Mr. Greg Fean Fire Department	P		
Mr. Cory Homer Mayor	P	Mr. Jason Ohliger Solicitor	P	Corporal Linehan Eastern Pike Regional Police	P		

Approximately 30 members of the public were present.

President Kudrich congratulated Councilmen Jon Maney, Harry Prey, Tax Collector Amy Turner and welcomed and congratulated Council-elect Mike Mady Jr and Mark Toussaint. President Kudrich thanked those who ran, but were unsuccessful, as it is good to see new candidates interested in public service. He reminded everyone that the Rick Drew Parade will be on December 7th. Residents along the parade route are encouraged to decorate and groups that would like to participate are encouraged to do so.

Motion to Amend Agenda: None.

Public Comment: None

Unanimous Consent Agenda M: Mr. Maney/ Mr. Prey. All in favor, motion carried.

- a) Approval of Minutes –
 - Public Hearing and Council meeting October 14, 2025
 - EPRP Budget meetings September 18, 2025 and October 23, 2025
 - Council Budget meetings October 1, 2025 and November 5, 2025 A motion made by Lisa Salvato, seconded by Jon Maney to correct the Liquid Fuel decrease from \$13,418 to \$1,348. All in favor.
- b) Approval of Treasurer's Report – October 2025
- c) Approval of bills to be paid – October 2025

Motion to approve reimbursement to the Recreation Department for invoices paid October 2025 on behalf of the Wade Trust Fund. **M: Mr. Maney/Mr. Prey. All in favor, motion carried.**

Reports:

Mayor Cory Homer: Full report on file. He thanked everyone for contributions to the *Mayor's Holiday Food Drive*. Reminded all that the *Tree of Heroes Ceremony* will be held on December 5th at 6pm. The Eagle Scout projects are currently in the planning process. Mayor Homer shared correspondence he received from a young resident in Matamoras. As per the request of 7-year-old Ava, he will be looking into installing a prayer box in town for those in need. ❤️

General Government Committee: Mark Madsen/Harry Prey: Kris Kringle jog, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, will be held on the 2nd Saturday of December. Registration starts at 7:30

Fire Committee: Sean Alessandra/Lisa Salvato: Nothing to report.

Public Works: Harry Prey/Jon Maney: DPW has been collecting leaves. The paving project has been completed; Wayco will be back to finish some areas of concern and Mr. Maney reported that other areas will be addressed by the Borough. Mr. Prey then presented Ian Copertino, a DPW employee, with a Community Hero Award. Ian recently helped a man escape from a burning vehicle. The vehicle was fully engulfed and was parked dangerously close to a building. He then helped a worker who was still inside the building exit safely. The vehicle was then safely pulled away from the building, with no damage to the structure.

Facilities Committee: John Bush Jr./Mark Madsen: The firehouse men's room drains were replaced.

Finance Committee: Lisa Salvato/ John Bush Jr.: CPA audit is complete, report to follow; council met for two budget workshops. At the last meeting there were three pending items: the police budget, health insurance premiums and a ballot

question to voters asking if they were in support of a tax of 1.25 mils for ambulance funding. All unknowns have since been answered and a fiscally proposed balanced budget for 2026 is available for public review. A public hearing will be held and everyone is encouraged to attend.

Treasurer Scott Myer: Nothing to report.

Recreation Jon Maney/Sean Alessandra: Work continues in the offseason, new playground equipment will be installed as well as new scoreboards. Jon thanked the staff for the tremendous work they have done this past season.

Recreation Advisory Board: Pam Conklin: Firefly Park is closed for the season; it was a good year. Members of the Heart of Matamoras have merged with the Advisory Board. Everyone is looking forward to more events and activities next year. The reorganization meeting will be held on January 6, 2026.

Planning Commission Eddie Addison: The Commission is currently reviewing and revamping the Sign Ordinance. The Commission also submitted a letter of recommendation of approval for a lot combination, which is under "New Business" report.

Municipal Authority: Dave Clark: The Authority built a road to access the new drinking well, they are still looking for a drilling company to dig the well; hydrant flushing will take place next week, robo calls will go out to residents; leaves and brush pickup will continue.

EPRPD Corporal Linehan: Read the November 2025 report, which is on file. Members of the department attended Bule-Mass at 2 local churches, and they also participated in Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Fire Department Greg Fean: Reported on calls, drills and community engagement activities for the month of October. Christmas Tree Sale begins the weekend after Thanksgiving. His full report is on file.

Emergency Management: Tom Oliver: Nothing to report.

Police Commission Dave Clark/Lisa Salvato: An ad was placed for an open seat for a commissioner. Officers are partnering with Shoprite for a "Shop w/ Cop" event. Corporal Linehan explained a bit about the program.

Sewage Mark Madsen: Act 537 was approved, and we are moving forward. Meetings are being held to see how we will secure funding. The filtration plant was toured yesterday. Westfall will be applying for an LSA Grant. The Borough will provide a letter of support in favor of this application.

Code Enforcement Shawn Bolles: Zoning/Code: 3 zoning permits and 1 building permit were issued for the month of October. Several violations are being written. Mr. Bolles also spent time with the paving company ensuring that the work performed was satisfactory.

Tax Collector Amy Turner: Reported there were 110 unpaid school tax bills paid and 47 unpaid property bills to date.

Junior Council Shannon O'Leary: Reported on recent past events and upcoming events including the Art Honor Society Induction, DVMS will be performing *Shrek Jr* on 11/21-23 and DDMS will be performing *Cinderella* 11/14-15, Holiday Bingo will be held on 12/13/2025. Her full report is on file.

All other Reports on file:

Police Report X	Recreation X	Police Commission
Planning X	Fire Department	Municipal Authority
Myer & Meyer Financial Report X	Berkheimer EIT Report X	Pike Tax Maintenance Updates X

Correspondence: On file.

- Letter from Planning to Council recommending approval of a Lot Improvement Application from Warner Tschopp
- Letter to the Mayor submitted by A. Giuliano

Old Business:

1. Westfall Compost Update: Mr. Ohliger noted that he had just received a proposed agreement from the attorney of Westfall; it has not been reviewed with council. This will be discussed during Executive Session later this evening.
2. Fire Department Lease agreement. Nothing to report. Eric Kudrich will meet with Scott Gillette Sr to discuss.
3. Borough Alleyways update was provided by Mr. Bolles. He stated that the surveyor is reviewing the Charles St. James map of the Borough.
4. A motion to table the Borough Building Renovation discussion was made by Mr. Maney and seconded by Mr. Madsen. All in favor, motion carried.

New Business:

1. A motion to amend §17-5 regulating the Matamoras Municipal Authority (a public hearing was held prior to the meeting) was made by Mr. Maney and seconded by Mr. Prey. All in favor, motion carried.
2. A motion to correct a typo in the Special Meeting Minutes of September 02, 2025, "one mill equals approximately \$40 per household", be amended to "approximately \$20 per household" was made by Mr. Maney and seconded by Mr. Bush Jr. All in favor, motion carried.
3. A motion to change the starting time of Borough Council meetings from 7:30 pm to 7:00 pm was made by Mr. Maney

- and seconded by Mr. Madsen. Discussion ensued regarding special meetings/hearing. When possible, they will be moved to the beginning of the agenda, rather than scheduling them for an earlier time slot. All in favor, motion carried.
4. There was no one present for the Lot Improvement request submitted by Warner Tschopp of 909 Pennsylvania Ave Tax Map #083.14-01-57. Since the time the recommendation from Planning for approval was sent to the council, Mr. Warner Tschopp has passed away. He is the listed applicant and owner of the property; the property now belongs to the estate. A motion to table was made by Mr. Madsen, seconded by Mr. Prey. All in favor, motion carried.
 5. A motion to advertise a Public Hearing at 7:15 pm on December 9, 2025, to take public comments on the proposed 2026 Budget was made by Mr. Prey, seconded by Mrs. Salvato. All in favor, motion carried.

Public Comment: None

A motion to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of personnel discussion and discussion regarding a proposal from Westfall Township with regards to the composting area was made at 8:03 by Mr. Madsen and seconded by Mrs. Salvato. All in favor.

Council reconvened at 8:22, and there was no action taken.

There was no public comment.

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Madsen, seconded by Mr. Prey at 8:23, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Marianne Brown
Borough Secretary