

## **FERNDALE BOROUGH**

Regular Meeting

January 5, 2026

The Ferndale Borough Council met on Monday, January 5, 2026, in the Fireman's Recreation Hall at 618 Westinghouse Avenue, Johnstown, PA.

President Owen Hofecker called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag.

### **ROLL CALL**

The Roll Call showed the following present: VP Eric Baumbaugh, Cindy Dom, Connie Hobbs, President Owen Hofecker, Zachary Neal, Mark Wissinger Jr, Mark Wissinger Sr, Mayor Ralph Boyle, Attorney Joe Green, and Secretary Nancy Hofecker. Police Chief Adam Richards was absent.

A motion was made by Eric Baumbaugh to adopt the January 5, 2026 agenda seconded by Connie Hobbs. The motion carried.

### **VISITOR'S**

No visitors were present.

### **MINUTES**

There were no changes to the December 11, 2025 minutes. A motion was made by Eric Baumbaugh to accept the minutes, seconded by Zachary Neal. The motion carried.

There was no committee meeting held in January.

### **PERSONNEL**

No report given

### **SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

Attorney Joe Green said he has been in talks with other solicitors regarding our contract with West Hills Fire.

### **MAYOR AND POLICE REPORTS**

Mayor Ralph Boyle said that Chief Adam Richards was injured on a call and is currently off work.

## **WEST HILLS REPORT**

West Hills Regional e-mailed their report to the office.

## **FERNDALE FIREMAN'S ASSOC. REPORT**

Mayor Ralph Boyle said the AED has been installed in the hall. They also did purchase a 2<sup>nd</sup> garbage can to be used for the hall. Eric Baumbaugh said they will pay ½ when we get a new pallet of calcium/salt for the winter.

## **STREETS AND PROPERTY**

Nancy said she is waiting to hear back from A&H Equipment with a plow quote for Roger's truck. Roger did order salt and it was delivered.

Eric Baumbaugh said he was working with Chief Richards to address some parking issues we are having in the borough.

## **TREES**

Zachary Neal said he got a quote to remove some trees at the end of Marigold that sit on borough property. The quote was around \$1300.00. All of council agreed to get them removed as they are dead and a hazard.

## **SEWER/SEWER PROJECT REPORT**

Frank DiLoreto was present from EADS.

One pressure test was completed in December.

Ferndale Ave Sidewalk Rehabilitation Project: All work is completed except for the concrete sealer. Kishmo needs a dry day over 50 degrees to apply the second coat of concrete sealer. EADS contacted Climber Tree Service to trim the existing trees.

DCED LSA 2024 Grant: The grant submission for the Ferndale Borough Municipal Building roof was approved. Once the grant agreement is executed, we can begin to pursue bidding/costars for the roof replacement.

DCED MTF 2025 Grant: An application was submitted for the sidewalk between Vickroy and Ferndale Avenue. A grant announcement date has not been determined at this time.

DCED LSA 2025 Grant: The retaining wall replacement on Plainfield Ave grant application was submitted. A grant announcement date has not been determined at this time.

## **TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT**

No report was received for December 2025.

## **FINANCE/ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

A motion to pay all Accounts Payable was made by the committee, seconded by Cindy Dom. The motion carried.

## **PUBLIC RELATIONS**

No report given

## **RECREATION REPORT**

No report given

## **OLD BUSINESS**

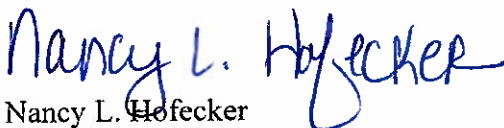
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## **NEW BUSINESS**

Resolution # 01-2026 was presented. The resolution states the garbage collection fee for 2026 is \$210.00, per year for each residential unit located within the Borough. A motion was made by Mark Wissinger Sr to pass Resolution #01-2026, seconded by Mark Wissinger Jr. A roll call vote was taken with all present members voting yes. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:12pm with Cindy Dom making the motion seconded by Eric Baumbaugh.

Respectfully submitted,



Nancy L. Hefecker  
Borough Secretary