

**BLOSSBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
October 8, 2025**

The Council Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Jolene Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Attendance: President Jolene Hall, Vice-President Joshua Jones, Pro-Temp Kenneth Johnson, Council Members: Jill Nickerson, James Rakoski, Robert Bowens, Kallie Wickman, Mayor, Timothy Martin, Borough Solicitor, Patrick Barrett, Police Chief, Josh McCurdy (Absent), Borough Manager, George D. Lloyd, Borough Secretary, Cheryl Bubacz and School Representative, Kail Thompson (Absent).

Guests: Renee Carey – North Central Conservancy, Tom Yankowky

Renee Carey: She will be at Fall Festival and will be having a craft for people to do, making a Halloween bat. There were about 85 people who attended the concert which was the final in the series over the summer. All of the paperwork has been submitted and the Conservation District believes they will have the permit by year end. There will probably need to be variances issued by the Borough. Suspect the project will start in 2027.

Tom Yankowky: Stated that there are some potholes that need to be filed going into Arbon Cemetery.

Minutes, Treasurer’s Report, Bills, Police Report & Borough Manager’s Report:

Minutes and monthly Reports were accepted as presented by Motion of J. Jones, Second K. Johnson. All in favor.

Mayor:

The Mayor discussed the current status of ASC/Ward closure. There was also a discussion regarding the status of the Island Park Grant and schools. The Solicitor for the School District has prepared a 99-year lease that will need to be reviewed if DCED approves the Grant.

Police:

The Mayor reported on behalf of the Chief that there will be a combined defensive training on October 13th with Blossburg and Mansfield. Mansfield Police Department has also increased their starting wage rate to \$23.00/hour.

Police Committee:

No Meeting.

Borough Manager:

We have been working on the pool and should be pouring the floor the week of October 14, 2025, then laying blocks after that. Hope to be under roof before winter, if the weather cooperates.

Junior Council Person:

Nothing.

VIBE:

Fall Fest this weekend.

Planning Commission Report:

No Meeting.

Zoning Hearing Board:

No Meeting

Recreation:

The dog park fence is installed. The gates are currently locked until the cleanup is completed around the installation. Once that is completed, the gates will be unlocked and the park can be used.

Fire and Ambulance:

Nothing.

Library:

Liz provided a report of the current happenings.

Street Committee:

Nothing.

Shade Tree Commission:

Nothing.

Budget:

The Budget has been advertised and is ready for adoption. Motion by J. Nickerson, Second by K. Johnson to approve the 2026 Budget. All in Favor.

Blossburg Municipal Report:

The new generator is installed at Bellman.

OLD BUSINESS:

LED Streetlights (April 2021): Still nothing.

Project Goals for 2022: Project Goal Updates:

- a. **Sidewalk, Lighting and Signage for Island Park:** Nothing.
- b. **Plaza Refurbishment:** Nothing.

Concepcion – Maple Hill: Waiting for Court to review the Motion to Dismiss.

VIBE Signage: The installation started for the new sign, however, there was an issue and the installation has been delayed. The fundraising for the second sign will start soon.

DCNR Grant for Track: Nothing at this time.

BOROUGH WEBSITE – ADA Compliance: Nothing at this time.

Tioga County Emergency Operations Plan – The County’s Emergency Operations Plan was reviewed. Motion by J. Nickerson, Second by J. Jones to adopt the County’s 2025 Emergency Operations Plan. All in Favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

GENERAL DISCUSSION:

The Solicitor called for an executive session following adjournment of the Meeting to discuss legal matters. No action will be taken.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by K. Johnson, Second by R. Bowens to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 pm. All in Favor.

Executive session adjourned at 7:56 pm.

Cheryl L. Bubacz, Borough Secretary