

2025 REGULAR MEETING

A regular meeting of the Duryea Borough Council was held at 315 Main Street, Duryea on July 8, 2025, at 6:40 p.m. with Council President, Stephanie Shupp presiding. After a pledge to the flag, a roll call was taken: (6) council members present, McGlynn absent. Mayor Bauman was in attendance. With a quorum present, the meeting continued. Council met in executive session on July 1st to discuss personnel matters of the police department and legal matters regarding land acquisition, and again this evening to discuss personnel matters of the street and police departments and legal matters regarding land acquisition. All minutes, correspondence, bills, and reports were made available for inspection.

Department Head Reports/Council Comments

- Nick Lohman announced that the new officer graduated the academy.
- Robert Webb noted that Crossin Towers took care of the high grass in the culvert.
- Danny Nicheporchek announced that the street department has finished cutting the dike canal, they received millings for the alleys, and thanked Gino Marriggi for his help in obtaining a CNG inspection for the trucks.
- Carolyn Santee discussed the current paving, the need to get the CNG pump repaired in case the station is closed again, and the Dickson Street property spoke of last month that has a bid pending through the upset sale. Office closed Friday July 11th.
- Allison Brudzinski and Jim Gromelski thanked the departments for working in the heat recently; Gromelski noted that there is a compost meeting this Thursday.
- Justin Tonte announced a meeting between department heads and HR recently and upcoming performance reviews.
- Jef Bauman applauded the council regarding the Hailstone Economics meeting; questioned cutting the Railroad property along Railroad Street; questioned the project for the sidewalks near the church property on Main Street.

Old Business

- No old business

New Business

- HARIE Grant - apply for 1 spotlight, 4 electronic speed signs

Meeting

Motion by Gromelski, second by Zinkavich to accept the minutes as posted. Roll call (6) yes.

Motion by Marriggi, second by Tonte that all correspondence be accepted, action be taken where necessary and placed on file. Roll call (6) yes.

Motion by Zinkavich, second by Brudzinski that all bills, wages, salaries, and commissions be paid when funds are available. Roll call (6) yes.

Motion by Tonte, second by Zinkavich to approve payment of bills that were paid after the last meeting, but before the approval of bills for this meeting. Roll call (6) yes.

Motion by Brudzinski, second by Marriggi that all reports be accepted, action be taken where necessary and placed on file. Roll call (6) yes.

Motion by Gromelski, second by Marriggi to appoint following part-time police officers for the month of August 2025, as necessary for the general welfare, health, and safety to the public: Giles, Wall, Harris. Roll call (6) yes.

Motion by Marriggi, second by Brudzinski to apply for the HARIE Safety Grant for 1 portable light and speed limit signs. Roll call (6) yes.

Motion by Marriggi, second by Zinkavich to approve Resolution 2025-5 Establishing the Terms of Financial Support to Volunteer Fire Companies for the Purpose of Engaging Paid Firefighters. Roll call (6) yes.

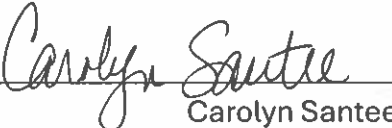
PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Keith Moss discussed EMA meeting; thanked Bert/Ed Faulent for working on updates to the emergency action plan; unhappy that the sidewalks leading up to the church property were not in the initial plan.
- John Volansky discussed his property at 201 Skytop taking on water when it rains; the grates on Park & Skytop bubbling during storms; requested the borough get a quote to put a curb in front of the driveway.
- Lee LaChette/Phoenix Theater stated there is a parking issue at the theater and her home on Main Street. They will be having shows with nowhere to park, parking at her home will be on the street. Jeanne Zinkavich offered her parking lot for show parking. Nativity picnic will have a shuttle from the VFW parking lot; Bobby Webb stated that he is working with Penn Dot and the engineer to do a traffic study; Nick Lohman stated that it is illegal to park on sidewalks altogether.

CLOSING COMMENTS:

No closing comments.

With no further business to discuss, council entertained a motion to adjourn. First by Marriggi, second by Zinkavich. The meeting ended at 7:10 p.m.


Carolyn Santee
Borough Manager