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Roderick Wilson

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – May 14, 2026

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

OPENING OF BIDS:

PUBLIC ADDRESS OF AGENDA ITEMS:

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL: **Motion to approve** April 9, 2026 meeting minutes

FINANCE- DeAnne Pavelko, Chairperson:

Read aloud Payroll Report

Read aloud Treasurer's Report

1. Motion to accept the Payroll and Treasurer's Report as read.

Read aloud Bill Report

2. Motion to accept the Bill Report as read.

Read aloud Tax Collection Report (if any)

3. Motion to accept the Tax Collection Report as read.

4. Motion to authorize the sale of Borough-owned empty lot at 986 Thompson Avenue, Washington County Tax Parcel 240-011-00-03-0006-00 to Anthony Loftus of 980 Thompson Avenue for a sale price of \$500.00

5. Motion to replace and purchase a set of double doors for the Borough Banquet Hall from Davis-Fetch Corporation, at a cost not to exceed \$6,000.00. This cost also includes the painting and installation of the doors.

6. Motion to authorize a Resolution for the Borough of Donora to participate and apply to the American Spirit Grant Application through the Washington County Tourism Promotion Agency in the amount of \$32,700.00 of which the Borough would be responsible for 25% of the matching funds (\$7,700.00) and to authorize the President of Council and Borough Administrator to execute any and all documents pertaining to Grant Application

HEALTH, SANITATION & CODE ENFORCEMENT –Jim Brice, Chairperson:

Read aloud reports

RECREATION – Roderick Wilson – Chairperson:

Read aloud Park Report

7. Motion to replace the roof of the restroom facilities at the John Lignelli Pavilion with a metal roof at a material cost not to exceed \$1,500.00

8. Motion to approve the use of First Street Field for an Intramural Kickball League from June 16th through July 30th provided that proper waivers and releases are signed to release the Borough, Council and its employees from any injury or liability

9. Motion to enter into an agreement with Thomas Family Amusements, from Connellsville, PA to sponsor a Fall Festival and Carnival at Palmer Park from Wednesday, October 7, 2026, through Sunday, October 11, 2026, and to have the President of Council and Borough Administrator execute all documents relating to such

10. Motion to partner with Southwest Training Services, Inc., from 90 West Chestnut Street, Washington, PA, to assist with a Summer Work Program for youths between the ages of 14 and 24 with a maximum weekly hour limit of 32.5 hours. Southwest Training Services, Inc. will be responsible for the Insurance and hourly wages of the youth employee

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS & MUNICIPAL BUILDING – Michelle Kitchens, Chairperson:

Read aloud Banquet Hall Report

HIGHWAYS AND STREET LIGHTS: Mark Boyer, Chairperson

11. Motion to approve a handicap Parking Spot in front of 121 South Allen Avenue. All required paperwork was submitted by Joseph and Vanna Cepaitis

12. Motion to authorize the Borough Engineer to perform studies on specific Borough roads to calculate the weight rating of the roads for proper signage to be placed for the enforcement of overweight vehicles

13. Motion to authorize two (2) hours of overtime for two (2) Street Department employees in reference to the Grievance filed by their Union Members relating to the Donora 5k Race

14. Motion to authorize a Memorandum of Understanding to be sent to the Teamsters Local #585 regarding creating a Non-CDL/Laborer position for the Donora Street Department

PUBLIC SAFETY – Neal Rands, Chairperson:

Read aloud Police Report

15. Motion to ratify the hiring of Kepler Rhoden as a Part-Time Police Patrolman, at a pay rate of \$30.26 per hour, with no fringe benefits, according to the Collective bargaining Agreement, effective April 9, 2026

16. Motion to hire Braden Henson as a Part-Time Police Patrolman, at a pay rate of \$30.26 per hour, with no fringe benefits, according to the Collective Bargaining Agreement

17. Motion to hire Michael Mazur, Jr. as a Part-Time Police Patrolman, at a pay rate of \$30.36 per hour, with no fringe benefits, according to the Collective Bargaining Agreement

18. Motion to hire James Miller as Part-Time Police Patrolman and Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP) Officer, at a pay rate of \$30.26 per hour with no fringe benefits, according to the Collective Bargaining Agreement

19. Motion to authorize the Public Notice Advertisement to obtain Sealed Bids for the Request for Proposal, Non-Collusion affidavit, the Resolution to Purchase a Traffic and Security Overview Camera system for the Borough of Donora. This advertisement will be advertised twice, with one advertisement posted 10 days prior to the deadline set of June 10, 2026, at 4:00pm

20. Motion to approve the purchase of Police safety vests for each Patrolman and Chief (4) for a total of \$5,140.00

21. Motion to accept this as the First Reading of Proposed Ordinance 1411 of 2026 and to advertise this as required prior to the Regular June Council Meeting where a vote of Adoption will be taken

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL – Casey J. Perrotta:

MAYOR’S REPORT – Donald Pavelko:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

We are looking for any Borough Resident(s) that would be interested in sitting on the following Committees:

- 1. Civil Service Commission (1 Resident)**
- 2. Zoning Board of Appeals (1 Resident)**
- 3. Planning Commission (2 Residents)**

APPOINTED OFFICIALS:

Solicitor’s Report – Steven Toprani

Police Chief Report – Mark Shemansky, Sr.

Building and Street Supervisor’s Report – Dean Fronzaglio

Fire Chief’s Report – Patsy Vince

Code Enforcement Officer

Old Business:

New Business:

Public Address of non-agenda items:

Adjournment:

EXECUTIVE SESSION: