Lawrenceville Borough Council Meeting

6 Mechanic Street, Lawrenceville, PA

Regular Meeting

Wednesday June 3, 2026, at 6 pm

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Council President Hotelling called the meeting to order at 6pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call – Council Attendance

Councilman Larry Barnes, Absent; Councilman VP Terry Gleason, Absent; Councilwoman Cyndy Burrows, Present; Councilman Anthony Urbano, Absent; Councilman Eddie Wetzel, Present; Councilman Mansel O'Dell, Present; Council President Anna Hotelling, Present; Mayor Kris Davis, Absent; Secretary Jennifer Rumsey, Present

Prior Months Regular Minutes

Motion was made by Councilman O'Dell; Seconded by Councilman Wetzel to approve the May minutes. Roll Call Vote 4/0 with Councilmen Barnes, Gleason, and Urbano absent. Motion Carried.

Guest Speaker – Mark Spencer –

Mark is the property manager for St. Vincents LLC**,** he addressed Council about the zoning application for the new construction of the James Street apartments. He provided Council with blueprints/drawings of the duplex that the owner St. Vincents LLC would like to have built within the boundaries of his property that currently holds 3 other duplexes. Council President did advise Mr. Spencer that currently there are no new hooks up within the Borough and there was no timeline provided for connections to be granted. Council stated that after contacting DEP and further discussion on the construction, boundaries, etc., that a letter will be sent to him with their findings.

Treasurer's Report

Motion was made by Councilman Wetzel; Seconded by Councilman O'Dell to approve the Treasurers report. Roll Call Vote 4/0 with Councilmen Barnes, Gleason, and Urbano absent. Motion Carried.

Payment of bills

Motion was made by Councilman O'Dell; Seconded by Councilwoman Burrows to approve the payment of the bills with the addition of the payment to the United States Treasury for $109.09. Roll Call Vote 4/0 with Councilmen Barnes, Gleason, and Urbano absent. Motion Carried.

Public Comment on Agenda Items

Robert Penzone Jr. –

1. Asked for a summary of the bills total – Council President Hotelling stated that the financials will be posted on the community board at the Borough Office to view or contact the Treasurer for an appointment to discuss.

2. Asked if there was a process for receiving an EDU - Does a list exist for EDUs, if so, is it being followed – Councilman O'Dell stated there are steps to the process for an EDU that involves working with DEP to be granted allowable connections, ordinances, and permits.
3. Playground Equipment – Is this an official action or informational purposes – President Hotelling stated it is informational and it will be discussed under new business.

Department Reports

- ➔ Mayor – Mayor Daivs was Absent, no report provided
- ➔ Police – Report was provided and read by Council President Hotelling – 15.75 hours of service
- ➔ Fire Department – Mike Keeney presented and read the report. He also asked about filling pools using the department's tanker and the Borough's water. Councilman O'Dell stated he would check with DEP for allowability. Mike stated to contact TJ with the information. Discussion - is there restrictions on the water and how it is used - how to bring in revenue for the Brough – how to benefit the Community.
- ➔ Library – Report was provided and read by Council President Hotelling – question was asked about putting flags on main street, stating the library has several flags that can be used, this would be to celebrate the 250th birthday of America.

Old Business:

Generator Sewer Plant Update – Installation

Councilman O'Dell stated that the Borough would be going with a gas generator, starting work now to be ready for the generator to be delivered in September or October.

New Business:

Play Equipment – Guaranteed Auto & Hoff Mechanical –

Typo correction - Guaranteed Tire – Councilman O'Dell provided an overview of the animal hopper play equipment at the Mechanic St park stating that Guaranteed Tire is repairing the animal figures and springs and that Hoff Mechanical is replacing the steel plate that the animals attach too, all work and materials are being donated by the two companies. The play unit will be reinstalled at the park once the repairs have been completed.

Mile Long Yard Sale – July 10-11

It was agreed the Mile Long Yard Sale would be Friday July 10 and Saturday July 11, 2026, it was also suggested to put the event on the next water bill.

Street Sign Purchase

Councilman Wetzel presented the purchase of 15 signs and 10 brackets costing $805.50 to the Council stating it would be replacing the missing or faded signs within the borough.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Burrows; Seconded by Councilman O'Dell to order the signs and brackets needed. Roll Call Vote 4/0 with Councilmen Barnes, Gleason, and Urbano Absent. Motion carried.

Zoning Permit – New Construction James Street - Duplex

This was discussed at the beginning of the meeting with the Guest Speaker, and a letter will be sent to Mr. Spencer once the research and contacts have been satisfied.

Demolition Permit – 8 State Street

Motion was made by Councilman O'Dell; Seconded by Councilwoman Burrows to approve the Demolition permit and send notice to Erbs. Roll Call Vote 4/0 with Councilmen Barnes, Gleason, and Urbano Absent. Motion Carried.

Treasurers Bond

Motion was made by Councilman O'Dell; Seconded by Councilman Wetzel to approve the Treasurers bond payment of $393 which covers up to $285,000.00. Roll Call Vote 4/0 with Councilmen Barnes, Gleason, and Urbano Absent. Motion Carried.

Community Resource Cabinet

Council President Hotelling read a letter about the possibility of a Community Resource cabinet located within the Borough. It was suggested to check with the Calvery Church and see if it would be something they might be interested in setting up at their location.

TCAB Meeting June 18, 2026 – Blossburg VFC

President Hotelling shared this event with the Council members, if any were interested in attending cost $17.00 for the meal

Visitors Open Forum

Robert Penzone Jr.

1. **Yard Sale Event – Are there permits needed for this event? What is the Borough doing about the non-residence and vendors who set up during the event? Councilwoman Burrows stated that permits are waived during this event**
2. **Generator – Sewer Plant – What type of gas? Did the Borough consider using/purchasing a used generator vs buying brand new? Councilman O'Dell replied natural gas. No to using/purchasing a used unit**

Robert Penzone III

1. **Are Committee Meetings open to the Public? Council President replied yes, the committee meetings are open to the public**
2. **Any dates set for hydrant flushing? Councilman O'Dell replied no, not at this time, we are beginning repairs and replacement of hydrants.**
3. **Will questions be answered via RTK request? Secretary Rumsey replied no, questions are responded to via RTK per the RTK law**

Gordon Chilson

1. **If the Borough has no money, why are they purchasing a new generator? Councilman O'Dell stated that this is a necessary purchase, and he can not answer the no money statement.**
2. **Why is the Borough purchasing an additional bond for the Treasurer? President Hotelling stated that the Treasurer's bond is required.**
3. **Who supervised the Street Sweeping?**

Adjournment

Motion was made by Councilman Wetzel; Seconded by Councilwoman Burrows to adjourn the meeting at 6:58 pm. Roll Call Vote: 4/0 with Councilmen Barnes, Gleason, and Urbano Absent. Motion Carried.

Next Meeting Wednesday July 1, 2026, at 6pm

Anna Hotelling, Council President

Jennifer Rumsey, Secretary

Electronically signed – Minutes Approved July 1, 2026, at the Regular Council Meeting of the Lawrenceville Borough.