

South Waverly Borough August 25, 2025

Meeting was called to order by President Roxanne Testen at 6:00 p.m. Members also present were Mayor Tim Hickey, Chris Wood, Robert Myers and Dr. Burdett Porter arrived at 6:13 p.m. Secretary Julie Lewis was also in attendance and Atty. Jonathon Foster, Sr. was available by phone. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Citizens – Nathan Wiles, Dr. Thomas Horn, Joel Dietz and Matt Freeze from The Morning Times were in attendance. Joel Dietz spoke to the council regarding Pitney Street and how fast the motorists travel up and down the road. He stated we don't see any police presence in order to keep the cars from going so fast on this road. It is a straight stretch between Keystone Avenue and Elmira Street and it just seems that motorists go well above the speed limit. They also fly down Pennsylvania Avenue as well. Mayor Hickey stated he would contact the Sayre Borough Chief and see what can be done as Pitney Street is a state road. Joel also stated that the garbage and recycling being collected in our sewer bills has worked well. That there is one pick up throughout the borough and makes it more convenient.

Minutes – President Testen asked for a motion to approve the minutes of July 28, 2025 as written. Chris Wood made a motion to accept the minutes with a second from Robert Myers. The motion was unanimous.

Financial – President Testen asked for a motion to approve the bills for August 2025 in the amount of \$148,251.80. A motion was made by Robert Myers and seconded by Chris Wood to approve the payment of the following presented bills. Motion was unanimous. There was a motion by Chris Wood seconded by Robert Myers to transfer the remaining \$20,000.00 from the General Fund to the Sewer Fund for the recycling cost that is paid by the Borough. The vote was unanimous

August 2025 Bills to be approved	
General Fund	
Advanced Auto Parts	\$ 36.75
Apex Cleaning Pros	\$ 480.00
Aqua PA	\$ 1,209.24
Art's Exterminating, Inc.	\$ 40.00
Best Line Equipment	\$ 46.02
Bishop Full Time Portables	\$ 105.00
Borough of Sayre	\$ 7,779.94
BradCo Supply Co.	\$ 1,908.78
Casella Waste Systems, Inc.	\$ 151.75
Chamber Choice of N.E. PA	\$ 3,672.86
Cooper Electric	\$ 27.78
Empire Access	\$ 109.96

Fidelity Bank	\$ 57,942.86
Foster Law Office	\$ 3,885.00
Gannon Associates, Inc.	\$ 3,812.00
Harbor Freight Tools	\$ 22.23
Hep Sales	\$ 16.06
Lowe's Home Centers	\$ 110.28
Maureen Yanuzzi	\$ 140.71
Nasco Home and Flooring	\$ 646.92
Penelec	\$ 553.52
Pennsylvania One Call System	\$ 9.00
Pitney Bowes Purchase Power	\$ 33.00
Quill Corporation	\$ 390.06
RBA Professional Data Systems	\$ 43.28
Scott Robinson	\$ 80.00
Selective Insurance Company	\$ 1,780.00
Stewart Signs	\$ 437.22
Teledair Communications	\$ 39.95
Tom's Hardware	\$ 152.54
Valley Energy	\$ 50.15
General Fund Total	\$ 85,712.86
Liquid Fuels	
Dandy Mini Marts, Inc.	\$ 289.55
Fidelity Bank	\$ 10,000.00
Lines by L&L	\$ 4,070.00
Penelec	\$ 1,443.67
Liquid Fuels Total	\$ 15,803.22
Sewer	
Aqua Pennsylvania	\$ 76.80
BradCo Supply Co.	\$ 31.72
Bradford County Prothonotary	\$ 80.00
Dependable Disposal	\$ 10,279.96
Gannon Associates, Inc.	\$ 953.00
Penelec	\$ 154.78
Pennsylvania One Call System	\$ 8.41
Pitney Bowes Purchase Power	\$ 19.24
South Waverly Borough	\$ 16,712.95
Valley Energy	\$ 23.83
Valley Joint Sewer Authority	\$ 18,395.03
Sewer Total	\$ 46,735.72
Total General, Liquid Fuels and Sewer	\$ 148,251.80

Committee Reports:

Police – Mayor Hickey gave the police report for July there were 38 total incidents with 7 - Traffic Warn/Charges, 6 – Suspicious Persons/Vehicle/Circumstances, 3 Domestic Disturbances among some other small infractions. There was another accident at the intersection of Pitney and Elmira Street again that took out the fence that PennDot just put in.

Fire Department – Mayor Hickey stated that the firemen are getting measured for new gear.

Planning Commission – Planning did not meet last month. However, Ken Bentley and Joel Hunt will both be on the ballot in November and we will need to find replacements for them.

Sewer – Chris stated that Craig got called out to Pennsylvania Ave due to an overload at the station. He pulled the pump but had to call Van Patton in to check out the overload issue. The Delinquent accounts were reviewed. Julie let the council know that 2 are on payment plans. There are a few that will need to have the 30 day notices sent followed by the 10 day notices for payments. Craig fixed a jam in the muffin monster on Pennsylvania Avenue pump station. He had to camera the sewer line on Murray Street. Marked out sewer lines for one calls.

EMC – Nothing

Code – A report was given. All PA 1 calls are up to date. Mailed out contractor licenses; filled out building/zoning permits, gave 3 verbal notices about property maintenance issues and they have all been resolved. Sent out 5 – 5 day notices for property maintenance issues. All have been resolved.

Building and Grounds – Craig replaced the ceiling in the Kubota Garage. Replaced the refrigerator in the hall. He and Pat cleaned and painted the sign on the playground. Roxanne asked about the money for the handicap swing for the park. Julie had asked Chris where he was with the grant from Leprino. He stated he was working on it.

Streets – Chris stated that Craig received a call from PennDot to let us know that they are going to be spraying the vegetation on the SR220 right of way fence on Elmira St. Craig also cleaned up the bamboo on Reel St. He cleaned up the curb line for Lines by L & L to do the line painting. He installed new Handicap signs on Loder St., picked up trash around town and observed the installation of the new fry wells on Murray St. Nathan Wiles from Wiles Valley Weather came in and spoke about what service he provides for townships/boroughs. He stated that he gives a specific specialized forecast for the area. Robert Myers asked if there is an app for his forecast and Nathan stated that there is. He does weather consulting for townships/boroughs and schools. He has been forecasting

for 13 years. He stated that we would receive information about a potential storm 2 days ahead of time and will update that as needed. He forecasts for more local, rather than regional. He has weather cameras located throughout the valley. Roxanne asked if he can predict if a storm will hit our general area or not. As it seemed that last year a lot of the storms went around us that were predicted to hit us. He has predicted at a 90% rate for Athens Township and about 65% for the valley because of the way the valley is.

Other Business – Roxanne Testen asked how long would the digital sign that we have out front last? We put money into it 3 years ago and now we have to put more money into it again. Julie Lewis stated that the digital sign they have is 13 years old. Chris Wood asked for a quote to replace it. Chris Wood stated that the storm water maintenance for Tom Horn Development is moving along. The dry wells are in, swales are in and grass is planted. Tom Horn has to wait for the conservation to approve and get his NPDES permit Notice of Termination signed. Once that is done, we can sign an agreement to take over the dry wells. Roxanne Testen stated that the community picnic went well and it was well received by the residents. She would like to see it be an annual event possibly having it on the same weekend. She thanked Maureen Yanuzzi for all her hard work that she put into it to make it a good event. Mayor Hickey asked if we could maybe have it coincide with an open house for the fire department. There was a discussion about the stray cat issue. Roxanne Testen stated that the cats help keep the rodents down and that there are is an organization that will trap, spay/neuter and release them back to where they were trapped. But our ordinance excludes cats with relation to the leash law. There was discussion regarding the State Legislation on Council and Mayor salary increases. It is state legislation, however, we can, by ordinance, set council salary. Right now our code says that council and the mayor are to receive \$1,875.00 annually, paid on a quarterly basis. Chris asked Attorney Foster if we change our ordinance, would it effect all council or just those newly elected council members. Attorney Foster stated if you adopted this legislation, that it would affect newly elected officials. Roxanne Tested asked if we have to act on the letter and Attorney Foster stated we do not have to vote on it. Dr. Porter stated that we are below what the state says we should pay, but maybe should see what we can do to keep the \$1,875.00. It could be an incentive to get people to run for council in the future.

Legal – Report was given

There was not an executive session.

There was a motion to adjourn by Robert Myers, seconded by Dr. Burdett Porter the motion passed at 7:26 p.m. The next meeting is September 22, 2025

Respectfully submitted,
Julie Lewis
Secretary/Treasurer