May 19th 2026 Council meeting Minutes

A. **Call to Order (President)**
   Meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by council president Jason Frazier
B. **Pledge of Allegiance**
C. **Invocation (Mayor William Steele)**
   None
D. **Roll Call (Secretary Nathan Coltura)**

Mayor - William Steele - Here
President - Jason Frazier - Here
Vice President - Hope Peterson - Here
Councilwoman - Maria Frazier - Here
Councilwoman - Lee Ann Wildey - Here
Councilman - Ken Keslar - Here
Councilman - Joe Lane - Absent
Councilwoman - Laurie Steele - Here
Solicitor - Christopher Skovira - Here
Secretary - Nathan Coltura - Here
Treasurer - Diane Figg - Absent
Police representative - Mike Garlowhich - Absent
Fire Department Representative - Absent
Code Enforcement - Mike Garlowhich - Absent
Animal control - Drews Crews Animal rescue - Absent

E. **Review corrections or additions to previous council meeting minutes**
   Motion by Council vice president Hope Peterson to accept the April 21st 2026 meeting minutes and submit them into record. Second by Councilwoman Lee Ann Wildey. Motion Carried
F. **Public comment - 3 Minute limit per person**
   Kenny Gibson - Laurel Skill Games. - Spoke on the issue regarding Pluggers Skills games. He supplied the machines games to the building, and assumed that the legal matters were settled by the building owner. Ken desires to pay and register the machines.
   (C. Skovira) - Asked about the certification of the machines as Skill games
   (K. Gibson) - Spoke on the Lab certification on all 11 machines that certifies them as Skill games.
   (K. Gibson) - Pointed out that the PAK and VFW have skill games through Pacematic.
   (C. Skovira) - Asked about operating hours and security.
   (K. Gibson) - Explained the Cammera's and security.
   (J. Frazier) - Allowed operation until a decision has been made.

   Mark Shedlock - 306 Maple - Raised an issue of food waste in plastic bags not placed in garbage cans. The unprotected bags have led to a vermin and animal issue affecting the Citizen's Hot tub.
   (J. Frazier) - Noted the issue and stated an ordinance already exists. The issue falls again on Code Enforcement.
G. **Secretary's Report** (Nathan Coltura) - Will be on Vacation and miss the June Council meeting.
H. **Committee / standing reports**

Emergency Services (Maria Frazier) - Inquired about separate time cards for code enforcement.
(M. Frazier) - Confirmed there are no separate time cards at this time
Law Enforcement (Asst Chief Mike Garlowhich) - (W. Steele) - Read Garlowich's Police report
Fire Department - (4 months without a Fire Report) (J. Frazier) - Rescue truck down. Incident where a car caught fire across from the firehall with no response from Everson Fire Department.
Code Enforcement - (W. Steele) - Read the code enforcement report by (M. Garlowhich).
Streets - (Ken Keslar) - Met with a contractor for 230 Maple, He filled out a street opening permit and paid the fee. He stated he will return to fix the road. Left a hole.
(K. Keslar) - Spoke to a contractor digging up the street for Sewer repair on Jones St Ext. There are also two houses on Graft who are doing work on the Sewer.
(K. Keslar) - Spoke to Diamond Brown at Columbia Gas about the 201 Maple PA one calls. She will look into expediting the work at that location.
Budget (Hope Peterson) - Motion by Council Vice President Hope Peterson to pay outstanding bills and monthly expenses excluding the $79.40 for Yuhouse's CPR training . Second by Councilwoman Lee Ann Wildey.

Hope Peterson - Aye
Ken Keslar - Aye
Lee Ann Wildey - Aye
Laurie Steele - Aye
Maria Frazier - Aye
Jason Frazier - Aye

Motion Carried.
Sanitation (Laurie Steele) - None
Parks (Maria Frazier) - Spoke on the bids she received for mulch replacement at Centennial Park. (See Below)
(H. Peterson) - Presented bids she had received for the root removal at Centennial Park.
(See Below)
(M. Frazier) - Reached out about repairing the tennis court fence at Centennial Park
(See Below)
(J. Frazier) - Presented an option for refacing the basketball backboards at Centennial Park.
(See Below)
Utilities (Joe Lane) - None
Borough Day (Jason Frazier) - Flyers sent out, Still looking for Volunteers.
Hometown Heroes (Lee Ann Wildey) - (J. Frazier) Banners are up.

I. **Action Items**

Unfinished Business

I. **Code Enforcement**
No new update aside from report mentioned above

II. **Status of Police renovations**
No Update at this time

III. **Pluggers Thrift / Skill Games**

Council will allow the operation of Pluggers Skills games for the time being, provided that they complete the application and pay the amusement tax. Council will return to the issue later to update the ordinance.

IV. Dividing wall in Parking Garage

No longer needed, See below item VII in new Business.

V. Improvements to Centennial Park

1. **Mulch**

   Motion by Councilwoman Maria Fraizer to accept the bid from McFadden's Reclamation & Recycling Services to remove and replace mulch at Centennial park for $1,850. Second by Council Vice President Hope Peterson.
   Lee Ann Wildey - Aye
   Laurie Steele - Aye
   Maria Frazier Aye
   Jason Frazier - Aye
   Hope Peterson - Aye
   Ken Keslar - Aye

   Motion Carried

2. **Chain link fence repair**

   Motion by Councilwoman Maria Frazier to accept the bid from McFadden's Reclamation & Recycling Services to repair the tennis court fence at Centennial park for $800. Second by Councilwoman Lee Ann Wildey.

   Maria Frazier - Aye
   Jason Frazier - Aye
   Hope Peterson - Aye
   Ken Keslar - Aye
   Lee Ann Wildey - Aye
   Laurie Steele - Aye

   Motion Carried

3. **Stump and root removal**

   Motion by Council Vice President Hope Peterson to accept the Bid from Tree Boss to do the roots, stump, chips, and straw at Centennial Park for $675. Second by Councilwoman Lee Ann Wildey.
   Laurie Steele - Aye
   Maria Frazier - Aye
   Jason Frazier - Aye
   Hope Peterson - Aye
   Ken Keslar - Aye
   Lee Ann Wildey - Aye

   Motion Carried

4. **Backboard covers**
   Motion by Councilman Ken Keslar to reface the basketball backboards at Centennial park for $225 plus gas and turnpike fee for pickup . Second by Councilwoman Maria Frazier

   Jason Frazier - Aye
   Hope Peterson - Aye
   Ken Keslar - Aye
   Lee Ann Wildey - Aye
   Laurie Steele - Aye
   Maria Frazier - Aye

   Motion Carried

VI. Sealing the borough parking lot
Tabled till June Meeting.

New Business

I. Handicap Renewal deadline
Set deadline for Handicap parking permit renewal for July 1st 2026
Letters will be sent with new applications

II. Purchase of new signage
Council agreed to purchase a new no outlet sign for Painter Street extension for $85

III. Police Hour approvals
Council agreed that Assistant Police Chief Michael Garlowhich has no ability to approve additional training hours without approval from the Mayor.

IV. Vote on new no parking ordinance for Shiply street
Motion by Councilwoman Maria Frazier to establish the no parking zone on the right side of Shiply Street from Brown to Maple. Second by Councilwoman Laurie Steele.
Motion Carried

V. Vote on new no parking ordinance for Maple street
Motion by Councilwoman Laurie Steele to establish the no parking zone on Maple street after 2 or more inches of snow. Second by Councilwoman Maria Frazier.
Motion Carried

VI. Vote on new one way ordinance for Cherry Alley
Motion by Councilwoman Laurie Steele to Establish A one way zone in Cherry Alley. Second by Council Vice President Hope Peterson.
Motion Carried

VII. Moving of police cars to outdoor lot
Motion by Councilman Ken Keslar to keep Police vehicles in outdoor lot, from April 1st to November 1st. Second by Councilwoman Lee Ann Wildey.
Motion Carried

VIII. Moving Garage Security Camera to outdoor lot
Council Agrees to move the security camera from the garage out to the outdoor lot where the police vehicle is being parked.

IX. Appointing new Head of Chair
Motion by Councilwoman Maria Frazier to accept Chett Fiume as the new head of Chair for Everson Borough. Second by Councilwoman Laurie Steele.
Motion Carried

X. Brown Street Closure for Borough day Parade
Motion by Councilwoman Laurie Steele to close Brown Street on July 19th from 11:00am till 2:00pm for Borough day Parade. Second by Councilwoman Maria Frazier
Motion Carried

XI. Audit Status
Nearly complete waiting on a few documents from Somerset Trust Company.

XII. Yard Sale Signs
Ordered 4 double sided yard signs for the Borough Yard Sale day.

XIII. Tire Cleanup Signs
Ordered 4 double sided yard signs for the Borough Tire cleanup day.

J. Training and conferences - None

K. Solicitor's Report (Christopher Skovira) - None

L. Mayor's Report (William Steele) - None

M. Executive Session (If needed) - None

N. Community Meetings and Events
Work Session - June 2nd @6:30pm
Council Meeting - June 16th @6:30pm

O. Motion to Adjourn
Motion to Adjourn at 8:58pm by Councilwoman Lee Ann Wildey. Second by Council Vice President Hope Peterson.