

MOUNT JOY BOROUGH COUNCIL
November 3, 2025, Minutes

The Mount Joy Borough Council held its regular meeting on November 3, 2025.

President Hall called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Roll Call- Present were Councilors, Lu Ann Fahndrich, Mary Ginder, David Greineder (via Zoom), William Hall, Bruce Haigh, Philip Kark, Mitchell Scordo, and Brian Youngerman. Staff present were Manager, Mark G. Pugliese I; Assistant Borough Manager/Financial Director, Jill Frey; and Administrative Assistant, Lisa Peffley. Absent was Public Works Director, Dennis Nissley and Grants, Projects, Community & Economic Development Administrator, Rachel Stebbins.

President Hall gave the invocation, and the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Executive Session – There were no Executive Meetings held between October 6, 2025, and November 3, 2025.

On a **MOTION** by Haigh, and a second by Kark a request was made to accept the agenda for the November 3, 2025, Borough Council Meeting. *Motion carries unanimously.*

Public Input Period

None

Councilor Eichler joined the meeting at this time.

Senator Malone was present to say hi and answer any questions anyone may have for him. He briefly touched on snap benefits and how it is being affected by the government shutdown due to the budget.

Mayor Bradley and Codes and Zoning Officer, Brett Hamm joined the meeting

Rotary Club presentation of funding for Memorial Project. Joanne Pinkerton and Dave Christian led the presentation. They provided Council with copies of the proposed project and asked if they had any questions.

On a **MOTION** by Kark, and a second by Ginder, a request was made to allow Rotary to move forward with the project. An **AMENDMENT** by Haigh, and a second by Kark, to include the sponsors name and anonymous if the sponsor chooses to remain anonymous. Amendment passes, Hall voting No. Main motion as amended carries 8-1, Hall voting No.

Chief Goshen joined the meeting at this time.

Report of Mayor

Mayor Bradley provided his report to Council for the month of October 2025.

Report of the Chief of Police

Robert Goshen, Police Chief, provided a monthly written report for September 1, 2025, through September 30, 2025. The report showed 27 traffic arrests and 28 criminal arrests for the month. There was a total of 545 incidents for the month of August, with a total of 5,491 incidents year to date. President Hall commended Chief Goshen for the Officer initiated engagements regarding traffic arrests.

Report of Fire Department Mount Joy (FDMJ)

Brett Hamm, FDMJ Fire Chief, provided a written monthly report for August 2025.

Report of PSH Life Lion LLC

Provided a written monthly report for September 2025.

Report of EMA

Philip Colvin provided a written monthly report for September 20, 2025, to October 22, 2025..

Report of the Milanof-Schock Library (MSL)

Joseph McIlhenney provided a written report for September 2025.

Report of Codes/ Zoning & Stormwater Administrator

Brett Hamm, Codes, Zoning & Stormwater Administrator, provided a written monthly report for October 2025.

Report of Grants, Projects, and Community & Economic Development Administrator

Rachel Stebbins, Grants, Projects, and Community & Economic Development Administrator provided a written monthly report for October 2025.

Report of Public Works Director

Dennis Nissley, Public Works Director, provided a written monthly report for October 2025.

Report of the Borough Authority Manager

Scott Kapcos, Borough Authority Manager, provided a written report for October 2025.

Report of the Assistant Borough Manager/Finance Officer

Jill Frey, Assistant Borough Manager/Finance Officer, proved a written report for October 2025.

Report of the Borough Manager

Mark G Pugliese I, Borough Manager, provided a written monthly report for October 2025.

Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

On a **MOTION** by Scordo, and a second by Fahndrich, approval was given for the minutes of the regular Borough Council meeting held on October 6, 2025, with spelling corrections. *Motion carries unanimously.*

Building Ad Hoc Committee

Deering gave an update on the progress of the new Municipal Building. Deering said the project is on schedule and there is a lot happening inside with plumbing, electrical and duct work. Also, the beams and joist are getting set. The ball field back stop is starting to go up too.

175th Anniversary Ad Hoc Committee

Eichler said they had a fireworks demo this evening at Rotary Park to see where they could be seen from. The next meeting is scheduled for November 19th. He would like to have everything finalized by January 31, 2026. All of the regular scheduled special events in 2026 will be themed to coincide with 175th Anniversary celebration June 27, 2026, at the new Municipal Complex.

Administration and Finance Committee

Hall acknowledged receipt of the PLGIT report.

On a **MOTION** by Youngerman, and a second by Kark, a request was made to award the construction bid for Phase 3 of the Little Chiques Park Streambank Restoration Project to Stonewood Landshaping, Inc. in the amount of \$290,000.00. *Motion carries unanimously.*

On a **MOTION** by Youngerman, and a second by Kark, a request was made to affirm the Borough Manager's decision to not permit construction of the underground retention/infiltration basin for Phase 3 of Florin Hill Development. An **AMENDMENT** by Haigh, and a second by Kark, to add the verbiage, until the NPDES permit amendment is issued. After some discussion, Haigh withdrew his Amendment. *Main motion carries unanimously.*

On a **MOTION** by Youngerman, and a second by Kark, a request was made to send a letter of recommendation to the Lancaster County Planning Commission in support of Councilor Haigh being appointed to the vacant "At Large Member" seat with the Lancaster County Planning Commission. *Motion carries. Haigh abstained.*

On a **MOTION** by Youngerman, and a second by Kark, a request was made to approve the draft letter from the Borough Solicitor to Constantine & Eleni Korgelis and to set a date (not less than a year) for revocation of parking lot easement as well as to advise that the Borough is willing to discuss the easement. An **AMENDMENT** by Youngerman, and a second by Kark, to set the date as December 1, 2026. *Amendment passes; Haigh recused himself. Main motion as amended carries; Haigh rescued himself.*

Youngerman reminded Council that the first Budget meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 6, 2025. Budget books were distributed tonight at the Council meeting.

On a **MOTION** by Youngerman, and a second by Kark, a request was made to authorize Council President to sign the Amended Storm Water Management Agreement between the Mount Joy Borough Authority and Mount Joy Borough. *Motion carries unanimously.*

On a **MOTION** by Youngerman, and a second by Kark, a request was made to authorize Lancaster County Office of the Treasure to sell 311 & 315 Locust Lane in accordance with the Pa Real Estate Tax Sale laws. *Motion carries unanimously.*

On a **MOTION** by Youngerman, and a second by Kark, a request was made to adopt Resolution 2025-16, a resolution approving the meeting date for 2026. An **AMENDMENT** by Youngerman, and a second by Kark, to change the third Council Budget meeting from November 12 to November 17, 2026. *Amendment passes. Main motion carries as amended.*

On a **MOTION** by Youngerman, and a second by Kark, a request was made to adopt Resolution 2025-17, a resolution authorizing the application for a Local Shares Grant in the amount of \$30,000 for pickleball courts at Borough Park. *Motion carries unanimously.*

On a **MOTION** by Youngerman, and a second by Kark, a request was made to adopt Resolution 2025-18, a resolution authorizing the application for a "Local Share Grant" in the amount of \$156,329.62 for the purchase of a HAKO Citymaster1650 Sweeper with attachments. *Motion carries on a roll call vote; Eichler, Fahndrich, Greineder, Ginder, Haigh, Scordo, and Youngerman voting yes and Kark and Hall voting no.*

On a **MOTION** by Youngerman, and a second by Kark, a request was made to adopt resolution 2025-19, a resolution authorizing the application for a "Local Shares Grant" in the amount of \$29,963.54 for 72 "water filled" event barricades. *Motion carries unanimously.*

On a **MOTION** by Youngerman, and a second by Kark, a request was made to adopt Resolution 2025-20 a resolution authorizing the application for a "Local Shares Grant" in the amount of \$46,190.00 for 22 Zoll AED 3 Semi-Automatic units for municipal staff, fire department, and Police department. *Motion carries unanimously.*

Public Safety Committee

On a **MOTION** by Fahndrich, and a second by Scordo, a request was made to approve draft "E-bike" ordinance proposal, and to authorize the Borough Solicitor to prepare and advertise said ordinance with comments for the December Council Meeting. *Motion carries 8-1, Youngerman voting No.*

Councilor Eichler said at the last Public Safety meeting they were given a letter from the Pennsylvania Juvenile Court Judges Commission that on Wednesday, September 24th our Police Department was monitored for its crime and delinquency compliance. They did not find any issues or problems and commended the Department for their hard work and dedication toward ensuring that the juveniles are handled in a manner that is consistent with the federal requirements.

Public Works Committee

On a **MOTION** by Ginder, and a second by Haigh, a request was made to allow an Eagle Scout project of installing a free library at Borough Park near Kids Joyland. *Motion carries unanimously.*

On a **MOTION** by Ginder, and a second by Haigh, a request was made to allow Donegal Baseball/Softball Association to install a batting cage at the Lakes Park, providing that DBSA is responsible for providing, installing, and maintaining the batting cage, and it is installed at a location that is approved by Borough Council. *Motion carries unanimously.*

Haigh led a discussion of the Flooding Hotspots group list.

Public Input Period

Josh Deering, 33 Frank St., said the Borough has been doing a great job over the last decade getting the streets where they need to be. He feels like stormwater is taking precedent over the streets and that maybe money should be funneled to stormwater improvements rather than streets.

Any other matter proper to come before Council

Youngerman thanked everyone who contributed candy and their time to the Spooktacular event.

Authorization to Acknowledge the Payment of Bills

On a **MOTION** by Youngerman, and a second by Kark, Council approved paying the bills as presented.

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| GENERAL FUND | \$ 793,170.33 |
| REFUSE/RECYCLING | \$ 94,221.97 |
| CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND | \$ 1,150,222.44 |
| HIGHWAY AID FUND | \$ - |
| ESCROW FUND | \$ 27,745.65 |
| JOY LAND ACCOUNT | \$ - |
| GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES | \$ 2,065,360.39 |

Motion carries unanimously.

Meetings and dates of importance

See the yellow calendar for the month of November.

Executive Session

None

Adjournment

On a **MOTION** by Greineder, and a second by Haigh, approval was given to adjourn the meeting at 8:39PM. *Motion carries unanimously.*

Respectfully Submitted,



Mark G. Pugliese I
Borough Manager/Secretary