

Catawissa Borough Organization Meeting

DATE: April 6th, 2026 – 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Council President John Mensch

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: John Mensch, Ernie May, Jeff Fleming, Paul Hulse, Andrew Detwiler, Kevin Ferris, AJ McKenney, Mayor Todd Burke, Attorney Anthony McDonald.

READING OF MINUTES:

- A motion to dispense reading of and approve minutes of previous month's meeting.
M____ 2nd ____.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- DEP will be conducting tick and mosquito surveillance.

GUESTS TO BE HEARD ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY: (Each guest is limited to 3 minutes for comments)

Staff and Authority Reports

MAYOR:

WATER:

POLICE:

Committee Reports

FINANCE:

- A motion to approve not renegotiating the original cell tower rental agreements with Pheonix Tower and American Tower. M____ 2nd ____.
- A motion to approve the electronic vote on March 17th for the purchase of (2) ultrasonic sensors for \$6900.00 to replace the current faulty (2) floats at the Sewer Plant with the funds coming from Sewer Fund GL# 427.36. M____ 2nd ____.
- A motion to approve the purchase of (2) PRISMA Stepper Motor Precision Pumps for a cost of \$3,938.00 with the funds coming from Sewer Fund GL# 427.36. M____ 2nd ____.
- A motion to approve opening of the sealed bids for the Borough Hall Computer upgrades. M____ 2nd ____.
- A motion to approve awarding the Borough Hall Computer upgrades to the lowest responsible bidder. M____ 2nd ____.
- A motion to approve the donation of \$2000.00 to the Southern Columbia Little League for improvements to the Teener League Baseball Field with the donation coming from the Eyer Fund. M____ 2nd ____.
- A motion to approve the purchase of (12) residential vision meters at a cost of \$1560.00 with the funds coming from GL# 442.20 in the Electric Fund. M____ 2nd ____.

****All guests will have a (3) minute limit for all issues to be heard. ****

PERSONNEL:

- A motion to approve the amendment to the Catawissa Civil Service Resolution Section 3, Subsection 3.3 "All Applicants must have reached their eighteenth (18) birthday before the date of the written examination. M ____ 2nd ____.
- A motion to approve the hiring of Kearsten Derr as a part-time patrolman at a starting rate of \$20.47/hr. with a start date of Tuesday April 7th, 2026. M ____ 2nd ____.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

- A motion to approve advertising for the street project for Church St. SR 42 to Shuman and E. South St from Park to Fourth. M ____ 2nd ____.
- A motion to approve advertising for the street project on E. South St. in front of Hose Company #1. M ____ 2nd ____.
- A motion to approve Suburban Fence LLC to remove and repair the portion of the fence at Wolfgang Park that was damaged by a fallen tree for an estimated cost of \$2400.00 using funds from the insurance claim. M ____ 2nd ____.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A motion to approve Jason Brown going to Full-time employment as a Department of Public Works Employee starting Tuesday April 7th, 2026 at a rate of \$18/hr. and completing his probationary period on July 17th 2026. M ____ 2nd ____.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A motion to approve the new electric service agreement with Allegheny Electric Cooperative. M ____ 2nd ____.

FINANCE Payment of Bills.

- Motion to accept as written. M ____ 2nd ____

GUESTS TO BE HEARD: (Each guest is limited to 3 minutes for comments)

ADJOURNMENT: M ____ 2nd ____