

LAURELDALE BOROUGH
3406 Kutztown Rd.
Laureldale, PA 19605
Monday, March 9, 2026

The regular monthly meeting of the Laureldale Borough Council was called to order at 7:00PM in person by President Rick Heffner with a pledge to the American Flag. The following council members were present: Rick Heffner, Janet Hess, Jeff Calpino, Beth Young, Nytza Santiago, Dean Borrell. Heather Sustello was not present. Also in attendance were Borough Manager Josh Levensgood, Mayor Cherlynn Martin, Solicitor Alex Elliker, and Public Works Supervisor Bill Kutz.

There were no comments from the public on agenda items.

Motion by Dean Borrell and seconded by Beth Young to approve the minutes of the pervious committee meeting and council meeting. Carried.

SOLICITOR

Solicitor, Alex Elliker, had no report to give. This was filed on a motion by Janet Hess and seconded by Beth Young. Carried.

President Rick Heffner reported on the following:

- February bills were paid from the General Fund in the amount of \$339,855.34
- February bills were paid from the Sewer Fund in the amount of \$16,525.71

COMMUNICATIONS

Balance/Bank Statements for February
February Revenue & Expense Reports
Monthly Check Recap for February
Letter from Systems Design regarding Payment Application No. 2 for Community Park Restroom Building project
Letter from Systems Design regarding Payment Application No. 3 for Community Park Restroom Building project
Duke's Root control proposal for Inflow & Infiltration Study
Resolution 2026-01

Councilor Hess reported on behalf of the Finance Committee.

Motion by Janet Hess and seconded by Dean Borrell to approve the separation agreement with Richard Brian Horner. Carried.

Motion by Beth Young and seconded by Jeff Calpino to accept the report of the Finance Committee. Carried.

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Councilor Borrell reported on behalf of the Public Works Committee.

Motion by Dean Borrell and seconded by Beth Young to approve resolution 2026-01 to appoint Jim Bobeck primary delegate and Joshua Levegood alternate delegate to represent the Borough for the Berks County Tax Collection Executive Committee. Carried.

Motion by Nytza Santiago and seconded by Beth Young to approve the report of the Public Works Committee. Carried.

Councilor Santiago reported on behalf of the Property and Supply Committee.

Motion by Dean Borrell and seconded by Beth Young to approve the report of the Property and Supply Committee. Carried.

Councilor Calpino reported on behalf of the Public Health Committee.

Motion by Jeff Calpino and seconded by Janet Hess to hire Duke's Root Control, Costars #016-e22-232, vendor #477970, to conduct the inflow & infiltration study in the amount of \$66,755.50 to be paid from grant funds. Carried.

Motion by Jeff Calpino and seconded by Dean Borrell to hire Robert Souders, Bryan Sockel, and Luis Ortiz as part-time police officers. Carried.

Motion by Jeff Calpino and seconded by Dean Borrell to contract with RMI to install the radios, cameras, and MCT equipment in the police vehicles at a cost not to exceed \$4500.00. Carried.

Motion by Nytza Santiago and seconded by Beth Young to approve the report of the Public Health Committee. Carried.

Councilor Young reported on behalf of the Parks and Recreation Committee.

Motion by Beth Young and seconded by Jeff Calpino to pay Easton General Contractors the phase 2 payment in the amount of \$26,100 and the phase 3 payment in the amount of \$21,600 to be paid from the grant funds. Carried.

Motion by Janet Hess and seconded by Dean Borrell to approve the report of the Parks and Recreation Committee. Carried.

Mayor Martin reported on behalf of the Laureldale Police Department for February.

Motion by Beth Young and seconded by Dean Borrell to accept the report of the Police Department. Carried.

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Fire Chief Bill Kutz read the report from the Central Fire Co. for January and February. This was filed on a motion by Beth Young and seconded by Dean Borrell. Carried.

President Rich Heffner read the report of the Tax Collector. Total tax collected in February was \$51.44. This was filed on a motion by Jeff Calpino and seconded by Nytza Santiago. Carried.

Borough Manager Josh Levegood read the report for the Building and Plumbing Inspector for February. This was filed on a motion by Dean Borrell and seconded by Nytza Santiago. Carried.

Motion by Jeff Calpino and seconded by Beth Young to authorize and approve to pay bills. Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Health Officer Janet Hess gave an update on the number of cases of measles in the state of Pennsylvania.

Beth Young stated that the Laureldale Borough Easter Egg Hunt will be held at the Rosedale Playground at 11AM on March 28, 2026, with a rain-date of March 29, 2026.

With no other business to discuss, the council meeting was adjourned at 7:23PM on a motion by Dean Borrell and seconded by Beth Young. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Sholl
Assistant Secretary