

Jermyn Borough
Council Minutes
February 20, 2025

The Jermyn Borough Council held a council meeting on Thursday, February 20, 2025 at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers of the Jermyn Borough Building, 440 Jefferson Ave. Jermyn, PA 18433.

The meeting was called to order by President Robert Hunt with the Pledge of Allegiance.

On roll call, the following members were present: BobbiAnn Davis, Mark Kilmer, Jeff Morcom, Carl Tomaine, Robert Hunt, and Chris Cook. Attorney Brendan Fitzgerald was also present., Mayor Fuga, KBA, Bob Chase, NEIC, Jim Perry, Nicole Stephens, and Stanley Hallowich were absent

Minutes: A motion was made by J. Morcom to accept the minutes of 1/2/25 as presented, and seconded by C. Cook. All in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report/Bills Payable: S. Lee read the treasurer's report:

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

American Rescue Plan Fund	94,580.01
Capital Reserve - DPW	1,040.69
Capital Reserve - Police	6,394.82
Crime Watch Fund	222.69
General Fund - Community	71,403.33
General Fund - FNB	3,602.56
Holiday Lights Fund	400.59
Investment - General Fund	1,125.24
Investment - Liquid Fuels	24,775.47
Investment - Paving Fund	1,136.95
Investment - Recycling	124.26
Investment - Refuse	177.19
Liquid Fuels - FNB	298.96
Petty Cash	194.00
Recreations Fund	28,467.15
Recycling - Community	6,396.07
Refuse Checking - FNB	59,872.00
Total Checking/Savings	300,211.98

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable

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A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report and pay bills by J. Morcom. Seconded by M. Kilmer. All members in favor. Motion carried.

Ratify Bill Paid on 1/28/25 & 2/10/25: Motion was made to accept bills paid on 1/28/25 & 2/10/25 by M. Kilmer. Seconded by C. Tomaine. All in favor, motion carried.

Secretary Report: None

Correspondence: None

Public Comment: Mark Cordelli from Lackawanna County provided the council with some of the upcoming events in the area and provided fliers for the secretary to post in the hallway.

Professional Reports:

Police: Absent

Fire: None

EMA: Absent

Solicitor: Brendan wanted to remind everyone that the next Norlack meeting will be held the following week after the planning committees regular meeting, and wanted to make sure someone on council would be able to attend as well.

Code Enforcement: NA

Grants: None

Zoning: Absent

Engineer: Absent

Tax Collector: Absent

Mayor: Absent

Committee Reports:

Planning Commission: None

Public Safety: None

Finance: None

Shade Tree: None

Grants: None

MS4: None

Recreations: S. Lee advised the council that she was looking into purchasing wall-mounted fans for the gym area, which would be motion censored along with an on-off switch. As the fans that are in the gym tend to be left on by renters, raising the electric bill, and they are larger floor fans that could be possibly dangerous if anyone were to stick anything in them while running. She presented the council with a possible option. C. Tomaine also offered to reach out to someone he knows to see if there may be any better pricing for something with the same features.

DPW: None

It upgrades info: S. Lee advised that the police department will need to have some technology security systems in place before the end of this year for them to be able to access certain legal systems required to do their jobs. After speaking with our current IT company, I do not feel they will be able to meet this need of requirement, as they were unsure of what I was speaking of when I called to see if they were aware of the new regulations coming out for police departments. The police chief and she have met with another company, which is servicing all the other neighboring towns/boroughs, and they were able to give a rough quote as to what the services would cost. At this time, she had given each council member a copy of the quotes and asked them to look them over, as it was going to be quite a bit more than our current cost, and we would need to budget for this accordingly if we decided to go forward with this company.

At this time council made a request to see if they would be able to attend our next council meeting to address any questions, they end up having after review.

Paving project advertisement: A motion was made to advertise the Jermyn Borough's 2025 paving project, for bid opening to be held at the March council meeting by J. Morcom. Seconded by C. Tomaine. All members in favor. Motion carried.

Rushbrook Creek project: Brendan advises that they have filed with the courts for eminent domain on the properties that have not been responsive to obtain possession.

New business: S. Lee advised that she has gotten a request from a new resident to have an Autistic child sign placed out front of their home, as the son is none nonverbal autistic child. Brendan will be able to have a resolution for the next council meeting for the placement of the signs, but would like approval to move forward with purchasing the two signs that will be needed.

A motion was made to purchase two autistic child signs that will be placed on the 300 block of Lackawanna St. by J. Morcom. Seconded by C. Cook. All members in favor. Motion carried.

B. Davis wanted to let the borough know that the community bank is now offering to municipalities a free credit card service for the tax collectors to use. So that residents would be able to pay their taxes with a card if they choose, and that there would be a credit card fee charged to them and not the borough.

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn by J. Morcom. Seconded by C. Cook. All members in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:39 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Shannon Lee, Secretary/ Treasurer