

Jermyn Borough
Council Minutes
March 31, 2025

The Jermyn Borough Council held a council meeting on Monday March 31, 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, Jeff Morcom, Carl Tomaine, Robert Hunt, Chris Cook via telephone. Mayor Fuga and Attorney Brendan Fitzgerald were also present. Trish Dabney, Mark Kilmer, KBA, Bob Chase, NEIC, Jim Perry, Nicole Stephens, and Stanley Hallowich were absent

Minutes: B. Davis made a motion to accept the minutes of 2/20/25 as presented, and J. Morcom seconded. 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	94,582.19
Capital Reserve - DPW	1,083.69
Capital Reserve - Police	6,409.82
Crime Watch Fund	222.69
General Fund - Community	34,435.46
General Fund - FNB	3,723.67
Holiday Lights Fund	400.59
Investment - General Fund	1,129.45
Investment - Liquid Fuels	24,868.09
Investment - Paving Fund	1,141.20
Investment - Recycling	124.72
Investment - Refuse	177.85
Liquid Fuels - FNB	61,458.41
Petty Cash	194.00
Recreations Fund	29,637.15
Recycling - Community	6,396.07
Refuse Checking - FNB	28,338.84
 Total Checking/Savings	 294,323.89

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable

200000 - Accounts Payable	15,779.27
Long Term Debt	80,180.58

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

Ratify Bill Paid on 3/10/25 and 3/20/25: Motion was made to accept bills paid on 3/10/25 and 3/20/25 by J. Morcom. Seconded by C. Tomaine. All in favor, motion carried.

Secretary Report: S. Lee advised that both the DCED financial and Liquid Fuels audits have been completed for 2024.

Correspondence: R. Hunt read a letter received from Ron Novotny, 427 Shields Ct, in regards to the recent property assessments conducted by the county. The second letter read was from Betty Schlegel, 454 Madison Ave, in regards to an issue with her neighbor's stone supporting wall falling over on her property.

The last letter was from Tricia Dabney, addressed to the council. As it was read – Dear Council, I am writing to inform you of my decision to resign from my position on Jermyn Council, effective Monday, March 31, 2025. It has been an honor to serve on the council and represent our community for the past three and a half years. I would like to express my gratitude for the opportunities and experiences I have had while serving on the council. Sincerely, Tricia Dabney

A motion was made to accept Tricia Dabney's resignation by C. Tomaine. Seconded by J. Morcom. All members in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Collin Striefsky wanted to advise the council about an issue that was brought to his attention after the completion of his updated rental property located at 530 Washington Ave. He was not aware that a zoning permit was required for any rental properties over five units; he is aware of it now, and after obtaining and reading through the current zoning information, he found that. In trying to rectify the unknown error, he

has submitted for a zoning permit that was given to the zoning officer, however, he is still waiting to hear back. And is looking to hopefully have no further issues moving forward with the other properties he is looking to renovate within the borough.

Professional Reports:

Police: Absent

Fire: None

EMA: Absent

Solicitor: B. Fitzgerald advise he has reached out to the board of elections to make sure they were updated that there was to be three seats actually open for the next election instead of just the two as Bobbie Ann's seat would be open as well being she was just fill out the remainder of an election year.

Code Enforcement: NA

Grants: None

Zoning: Absent

Engineer: Absent

Tax Collector: Absent

Mayor: F. Fuga wanted to thank the business over on Chestnut St. for having the lines painted with in the roadway. Also, the PSAB is requested pictures from our home town hero's flags that will be used as part of their display at their 2025 annual conference. So, he has as Joanne from shade tree if she would like to handle maybe submitting some of the photos she received when creating the banners for Washington Ave.

Committee Reports:

Planning Commission: None

Public Safety: None

Finance: None

Shade Tree: Joanne Wilson wanted to let council know that they are collecting quotes for some of the remaining tree trimming that is needed over above the gazebo and sitting area. They will also be teaming up with the Events Committee to hold an envelope drive in which all funds collected will be split between the both entities.

Grants: None

MS4: None

Recreations: S. Lee advised that the batting cage at the park was damaged and had to be taken down. Herself and DPW are trying to get this replaced, but are looking at different options to try and ensure that anything placed back here would not be as easily damaged by those at the park who are not treating the equipment provided with respect.

DPW: F. Fuga advise that he has been out trying to get a start on the towns spring cleaning. Also, he is looking to restore the boroughs roller which will need a new engine, however that would be at a minimum expense vs having to purchase a new one.

BID OPENING FOR JERMYN PAVING PROJECT: R. Hunt opened the first bid from Stafursky Paving Company, Inc with a bid amount of \$297,050.60, Wayco, Inc amount of \$312,995.67, Pennsy Supply amount of \$393,119.65, H&K Group amount \$424,702.49, New Enterprise Stone & Lime amount \$329,570.75, E&R Linde Construction Corp. amount \$324,346.00, M&J Excavation Inc. amount \$421,223.00, Kobalt Construction, Inc. amount \$430,258.00, American Asphalt Paving amount \$328,646.00, And last Pioneer Construction amount \$426,011.10 After Bids were opened and read to council it was announced that Stafursky Paving Company came in at a lower Price.

A motion was made to award Stafursky Paving Co. with the 2025 Jermyn Borough paving project at the amount of \$297,050.60 by J. Morcom. Seconded by C. Tomaine. All in favor, motion carried.

IRON NEBULA IT: S. Lee advised that they were unable to make it to the rescheduled council meeting. However, everyone should have in their folders his business card, and to feel free to reach out to him with any questions you may have about their services and the price quote everyone received at the previous meeting so that we can try and move forward with the IT securities that will need to be in place before October 2025 for the police department.

RESOLUTION AUTISTIC SIGNS LACKAWANNA AVE.: Resolution 01-2025 providing for the erection of autistic child area signs on the 300 block of Lackawanna Avenue.

A motion was made to pass resolution 01-2025 for the erection of autistic child area signs on the 300 block of Lackawanna Avenue by C. Tomaine. Seconded by B. Davis. All in favor, motion carried.

NORLACK MEETING: S. Lee requested an update from the Norlack meeting that was held at the borough building on March 26, 2025 from the council members that attended. C. Tomaine and B. Davis had attended the meeting and confirmed everything is moving forward smoothly, and they will be bringing more information and things for council to approve in the upcoming meetings.

New business: J. Morcom made a request that council to make an acknowledgment certificate for the Crystal Fire company who will be celebrating their 140th anniversary.

A motion was made to acknowledge by certificate the Crystal Fire company for 140 years of service by B. David. Seconded by J. Morcom. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by C. Tomaine to appoint Frank Kulick to the newly open seat on the council. Seconded C. Cook. All in favor, motion carried.

S. Lee requested a follow up on getting the quotes for 700 block of Mellow Ct to be paved. B. Fitzgerald suggested that being now quotes have been collected by the DPW chairmen, that this task be handed over to S. Lee as the borough secretary to be completed so the project can move forward.

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn by J. Morcom. Seconded by C. Tomaine. All members in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:09 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Shannon Lee".

Shannon Lee, Secretary/ Treasurer