

Jermyn Borough
Council Minutes
October 16, 2025

The Jermyn Borough Council met on Thursday, October 16, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Jermyn Borough Building, 440 Jefferson Ave, Jermyn, PA 18433.

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Chris Cook with the Pledge of Allegiance.

On roll call, the following members were present: Bobbi Ann Davis, Doug Bowman, Jeff Morcom, Carl Tomaine, Kevin Napoli, Chris Cook, Bob Chase, and Attorney Kyle Colaous was also present, representing Brendan Fitzgerald. Frank Kulick, Tony Fuga, KBA, NEIC, Jim Perry, Nicole Stephens, and Stanley Hallowich were absent

Minutes: C. Tomaine made a motion to accept the minutes of 9/18/25 as presented, and K. Napoli seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

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

Checking/Savings	
American Rescue Plan Fund	92,598.72
Capital Reserve - DPW	1,207.95
Capital Reserve - Police	6,959.82
Crime Watch Fund	222.69
General Fund - Community	75,358.24
General Fund - FNB	4,186.80
Holiday Lights Fund	400.59
Investment - General Fund	1,157.83
Investment - Liquid Fuels	25,492.76
Investment - Paving Fund	1,169.86
Investment - Recycling	127.84
Investment - Refuse	182.32
Liquid Fuels - FNB	30,689.92
Petty Cash	194.00
Recreations Fund	23,405.80
Recycling - Community	8,486.87
Refuse Checking - FNB	231,981.65
 Total Checking/Savings	 503,823.66
 Accounts Payable	
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Long Term Debt	0

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

Ratified Bills Paid on 9/29/25: Motion was made to accept bills paid on 9/29/25 by J. Morcom. Seconded by B. Davis. All in favor, motion carried.

Correspondence: None

Secretary Report: S. Lee advised that Norlack is still awaiting a response to their email requesting approval for the updated zoning and planning information they sent. Also, our estimated allocation for liquid fuels has just come in at \$68,585.79.

Public Comment: Basil Kleha, 600 Washington Ave., on behalf of the planning committee, wanted to advise that they are still working on getting volunteers to join the planning committee, as they are still only working with three members at this time.

Professional Reports:

Police: K. Napoli advised the council that our 2015 Police SUV is going to need to be replaced as the transmission is about to go out. So, we will need to plan on budgeting for a vehicle soon. Also, our police chief requested that we do a reclassification of the full-time officers to Sergeants and the part-time officers to senior officers. This will not include a pay raise, but an earned recognition of their work and dedication. And if this could be done at one of our council meetings, to allow everyone to be involved.

Fire: None

EMA: Absent

Solicitor: None

Code Enforcement: NA

Grants: None

Zoning: None

Engineer: Absent

Tax Collector: Absent

Mayor: Absent

Committee Reports:

Planning: None

Public Safety: K. Napoli requested that it be noted that Chief Arthur was unable to attend the meeting due to a regional police meeting.

Finance: C. Cook advised that the finance committee has held a meeting to start reviewing the budget for next year and will continue to meet weekly, when possible, to ensure it is completed and ready to be advertised at the next council meeting for review.

Shade Tree: None

Grants: None

MS4: None

DPW: None

Recreations: S. Lee advised that the cameras have started to be installed at the park, as previously advised. She also wanted to let everyone know that, due to the need for internet at the park for the cameras, we will be adding a new expense item.

Data Centers: C. Cook read a letter from council president Frank Kulick, which read. Although Jermyn is not and will not be directly impacted by the data center building since we have no available land for any to be built on-I feel it is important to our citizens to do all we can to protect those and their properties that appear will be within a fairly close range of the proposed centers in Archbald.

The recent dying of a motion made by a member of Archbald council, which would have limited the building of data centers to specific areas of town and put conditional uses on the building of those centers, does not affect the centers proposed to be built closest to our border. It appears that the governing body of Archbald has no recourse but to grant the permits, etc, based on their 2023 zoning laws.

It will be in the best interest of Jermyn for us to keep a close eye on those proposed centers and try to influence the builders and or the borough of Archbald to take into consideration the impact these proposed centers may have on Jermyn residents living in close proximity to the centers, as well as our town in general. With that in mind I am appointing myself, Chris Cook and Stacey Cook to serve on a committee to closely follow any and all developments regarding the centers that will border our town and to work in conjunction with our solicitor to take any steps within our rights to limit the impact of the centers on the borough of Jermyn as well as investigate if

there might be any financial considerations available to us from the borough of Archbald and or the developers of the centers.

Trash bid approval for advertising: Motion was made to advertise Jermyn borough's 2026-2028 garbage bid specs by B. Davis. Seconded by C. Tomaine. All in favor, motion carried.

Easements for Creek Project: Kyle advised he was not given any follow-up information in regards to this matter, but will touch base with Brendan when he returns to the office.

New business: Motion was made to pass Resolution 06-2025, A resolution of the borough council of Jermyn borough, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, authorizing the borough to serve as the local government sponsor for an application to the Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA) for funding through the local share account (Monroe County) program on behalf of the Artisan Fire Company. by J. Morcom. Seconded by B. Davis. All in favor, motion carried.

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn by J. Morcom. Seconded by K. Napoli. All members in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm.



Respectfully submitted,

Shannon Lee, Secretary/ Treasurer