

Jermyn Borough
Council Minutes
June 18, 2026

The Jermyn Borough Council met on Thursday, June 18, 2026, 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, who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

On roll call, the following members were present: Bobbi Ann Davis, Jeff Morcom, Kevin Napoli, Chris Cook; also, Kate Hope, Mayor Stacey Cook, and Attorney Brendan Fitzgerald were present. Frank Kulick, Doug Bowman, Carl Tomaine, Bob Chase, KBA, NEIC, Jim Perry, and Stanley Hallowich were absent.

Minutes: B. Davis made a motion to accept the minutes of 5/21/26 as presented, seconded by J. Morcom. All in favor, motion carried.

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

Checking/Savings

American Rescue Plan Fund	92,617.22
Capital Reserve - DPW	1,300.28
Capital Reserve - Police	5,289.82
Crime Watch Fund	222.69
General Fund - Community	261,195.67
General Fund - FNB	11,686.54
Holiday Lights Fund	400.59
Investment - General Fund	1,191.72
Investment - Liquid Fuels	26,244.20
Investment - Paving Fund	1,203.97
Investment - Recycling	130.84
Investment - Refuse	187.82
Liquid Fuels - FNB	34,366.56
Petty Cash	194.00
Recreations Fund	18,939.62
Recycling - Community	10,141.26
Refuse Checking - FNB	312,175.86
Total Checking/Savings	777,488.66

Accounts Payable

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Long Term Debt	415,300.00

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

Ratified Bills Paid on 5/29/26: A motion was made to accept bills paid on 5/29/26 by J. Morcom. Seconded by K. Napoli. All in favor, motion carried.

Correspondence: None

Secretary Report: S. Lee provided then rapidcast packages and pricing from their site. Council decided to change the account to the next available package as the amount would still be under what was budgeted to ensure we are not going over our allowance. A motion was made by J. Morcom to upgrade the Rapidcast package to the Plus package at a rate of \$828.00 per year. Seconded by B. Davis. All in favor, motion carried.

She is still reaching out, trying to get quotes for the Mayor hanging signs. Currently, we have only gotten one quote for the amount of \$ 1,725.00. B. Davis said she would reach out to Cerra Signs to see if they could give us a quote as well.

Next paving project for Bridge St and Riverview Ln. She would like to see if anyone is willing to take the lead in reaching out to Rails and Trails regarding possibly putting in a sidewalk along the WWI park side of Bridge St to their trail, as walkers and marathons are using the roadway to get to the trail, making it unsafe. C. Cook said he would reach out to them to see what can be done.

Tree removal and trimming- We have two locations that require tree trimming and one tree that needs to come down at the entrance of the woodlands. She has already reached out to Woodchuck to see if they can give us a quote.

She also requested assistance with getting a quote for a curb repair up at the corner of Garfield Ave and Cleveland Dr.

Public Comment: None

Professional Reports:

Police: S. Cook advised the police department has received 4,558 incidents in the past month. They will continue doing the house watches they received. They attended Lakeland High School graduation. The new police vehicle painting has been finished and will be moving on to the next stage of upfitting. Also, just before the meeting, we were advised that there was an E-bike accident on the trails involving two kids; an investigation will follow, and hopefully both kids will be ok.

Fire: Absent

EMA: Absent

Solicitor: B. Fitzgerald advised that earlier in the week he had sent out a breakdown of both the MS4 ordinance and Police pension ordinance. As these were both large ordinances and to try and break down what and why to make sure everyone understands why we are looking at passing these ordinances tonight.

Code Enforcement: NA

Grants: None

Zoning: Absent

Engineer: Absent

Tax Collector: K. Hope advised that so far, she has collected for 2026 is \$602,291.83 total. \$362,000.00 in garbage and \$244,748.00 was for borough tax. I have been reaching out to other tax collectors for advice and guidance on some of the issues I have run into.

Mayor: S. Cook advised she is working with the grant writer to submit a technology grant (JAG), which will be due July 14th. In hopes of being able to upgrade the police vehicles and body cameras, etc. Anything technology that we can get, as a lot of their equipment is older, if not outdated. Herself and C.

Cook have also donated a new large TV to the police department so they are able to view all the new park cameras more clearly.

Committee Reports:

America 250: S. Cook showed a presentation showing some images of the pancakes in the park that was held for the kids to update them as to the events that will be happening and how they can get involved. The Jermyn police department, Crystal Fire, and Artisan Fire companies were also in attendance and went over some safety items and allowed the kids to check out the equipment.

The T-shirt winner for the American 250th shirt design is Lorelai Davis; these will be available for purchase before and at the event.

The movie in the park had to be cancelled due to the thunderstorms; we will be working on getting this rescheduled.

This weekend will also be our Duck Derby at the winery on Washington Ave. The winery and Roselina's will be donating 10% of their purchases made this day to the America 250 committee. There will be great music and raffle baskets as well.

Ending the presentation with an overview of the Town Hall meeting and what was gone over and discussed as to what is happening in town and what will be happening in the near future in the borough.

Planning: B. Davis advised that the next meeting will be held June 23rd, with the planning commission will be approving the new zoning map so that it can be brought to council.

Public Safety: None

Finance: None

Shade Tree: B. Davis announced that this year's winner of the first aid scholarship for \$400.00 for 2026 is Siloh Muta, who will be attending Marywood University for Pre-Dental.

Grants: None

DPW: None

Recreation: None

MS4: None

MOTION TO HAVE SOLICITOR PREPARE E-BIKE ORDINANCE: Motion to have solicitor prepare E-Bike Ordinance to be presented at the July council meeting for advertisement by J. Morcom. Seconded by B. Davis. All in favor, motion carried.

MS4 ORDINANCE 07-2026- Motion to pass Ordinance 07-2026, an ordinance of the borough of Jermyn, Lackawanna county, Pennsylvania, establishing stormwater management regulations; providing for the regulation of earth disturbance and land development activities that affect stormwater runoff; providing for the prohibition of unauthorized non-stormwater discharges to the borough's municipal separate storm sewer system; providing for the enforcement of this ordinance; and providing penalties for violations by K. Napoli. Seconded by J. Morcom. All in favor, motion carried.

POLICE PENSION ORDINANCE 08-2026- Motion to pass Ordinance 08-2026, an ordinance of the borough of Jermyn, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, amending the borough of Jermyn police pension plan

to provide for an annual cost-of-living adjustment for eligible retired members of the police department in accordance with the act of May 29, 1956, p.l. 1804, No. 600, as amended ("Act 600"), and Act 24 of 1998; authorizing the execution of an amended joinder agreement with the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs Municipal Retirement Trust; and providing for an effective date by B. Davis. Seconded by K. Napoli. All in favor, motion carried.

RESOLUTION FOR ARTISAN GRANT 09-2026- Motion to pass Resolution 09-2026, 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.

SAFE STREETS RESOLUTION 10-2026- Motion to pass Resolution 10-2026, a resolution expressing support for safe streets in Lackawanna by K. Napoli. Seconded by J. Morcom. All in favor, motion carried.

DPW BLDG CEILING BIDS: Tabled awaiting more quotes

CODE OFFICER APPOINTMENT: A motion was made by C. Cook to hire Joe Unis as the code enforcement officer at a rate of \$25.00 per hour. Seconded by K. Napoli. All in favor. Motion carried.

OLD MILL TREE ISSUE: Secretary is collecting quotes as noted under her report

New business: A motion was made by C. Cook to purchase a new double-sided park sign at the estimated amount of \$1,159.00. Seconded by J. Morcom. All in favor. Motion carried.

K. Napoli wanted to discuss that after talking to the police department, they would like to see if we could add two more cameras at the park. One at the basketball court and the entrance by the bathrooms. They would like to see what it would cost, if we could get a quote to have these added.

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn by J. Morcom. Seconded by K. Napoli. All members in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:28 pm.



Respectfully submitted,

Shannon Lee, Secretary/ Treasurer