

**STOCKERTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 1, 2026**

THE BOROUGH OF STOCKERTOWN HELD A COUNCIL MEETING ON MONDAY,
JUNE 1st at 7:30PM AT BOROUGH HALL.

Roll Call

- Council Members present were Peter Dewey, President; Katie Santiago, Vice President; Amy Richard, Kathleen Zdonowski, Richard Wagner and Timothy Kratzer. Joe Gosnell was absent.
- Solicitor Gary Asteak, Secretary/Treasurer Candace Keller were present. Mayor Rosemarie Wenzelberger was absent.

The meeting was called to order by Peter Dewey, President at 7:30pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda

- **Motion** by Timothy Kratzer, Seconded, by Katie Santiago to accept the agenda as written. Motion carried unopposed 6-0.

No public comment on agenda items.

Secretary / Treasurer Report

- **Motion** by Katie Santiago, Seconded, by Richard Wagner to approve the May 4, 2026 minutes as written. Richard Wagner Yes; Amy Richard No; Kathleen Zdonowski No; Katie Santiago Yes; Peter Dewey Yes; Timothy Kratzer Yes. Motion carried 4-2.
- **Motion** by Peter Dewey, Seconded, by Richard Wagner to approve the General and Sewer Fund Payables as presented. Motion carried unopposed 6-0.

Solicitor Report

- Solicitor Gary Asteak presented the proposed Ordinance 2026-01 for Borough Manager. **Motion** by Timothy Kratzer, Seconded, by Katie Santiago to approve the Ordinance 2026-01 for Borough Manager as written. Richard Wagner Yes; Amy Richard Abstain; Kathleen Zdonowski Abstain; Katie Santiago Yes; Peter Dewey Yes; Timothy Kratzer Yes. Motion carried 4 Yes - 2 Abstain.
- Solicitor Gary Asteak noted the negotiating committee has met and are in the process of confirming the first meeting with the Teamsters Union regarding the bargaining agreement.

Mayor's Report

- In the Mayor's absence, Peter Dewey reported on the 911 calls for service. Month of April 12 calls for service (3 MVA, 2 EMS, 2 Traffic related and 5 non-priority misc) month of May 27 calls for service (6 MVA, 9 EMS, 5 - 911 calls and 7 non-priority misc). Total for two months is 39 calls for service.

Public Works

- Ken Zemencsik, PW Director reported on the 9-11 Alliance placement of signs for their route. Ken also reported on a proposal for a used 1999 18" chipper for a quote of \$20,000. This purchase was put on hold until further quotes and options are explored.
- Ken Zemencsik gave his monthly report for PW tasks completed. PenDot was contacted with a few areas where trees and signs were blocking sight to pull out onto Main Street safely. The trees were reported to be something the Boro PW would need to trim as they are on Boro property and not part of the state road, however PenDot agreed to move the signs, for safety concerned, placed for roadwork being done on Main Street. Ken reported the continued work on the GIS Mapping project.

Resident Eric Wenzelberger mentioned a dead tree hanging on Old Easton Road over the highway. Ken stated he will look into this. Richard Wagner inquired about repair on bridge at Newhart Park. Ken reported one piece needs to be welded, which will be done soon.

New Business

- **Motion** by Amy Richard, Seconded, by Timothy Kratzer to approve library reimbursement increase effective July 1, 2026 from \$75 to \$100 for Borough residents who purchase a library card from Easton Library. Motion carried 6-0.
- **Motion** by Timothy Kratzer, Seconded, by Katie Santiago to grant Peter Dewey, Council President authorization to sign the Landowners Guarantee Grant Agreement for 2026 (Growing Greener Stream Bank Grant to stabilize Bushkill Creek streambank erosion). Motion carried 6-0.
- Sean Dooley, Planning Commission Chair spoke regarding the Comprehensive Plan adopted August/September 2025 for the Borough as part of the multi-municipal effort with NazCOG.Saldo and Zoning Grant. Sean stated this is just getting started and will come back in front of council after everyone reviews plan.
- Sean Dooley, Planning Commission Chair also stated they are looking for two new members to be on the Planning Commission Committee. Please contact Sean Dooley or the Borough office if interested.
- Discussion regarding ACH and direct deposits for all employees, including council. Richard Wagner made a motion to approve ACH on all payables where possible, but no to required direct deposits for all employees, including council, Seconded, by Amy Richard. Peter Dewey No; Timothy Kratzer No; Katie Santiago No; Richard Wagner Yes; Amy Richard Yes; Kathleen Zdonowski Yes. Result 3-3 tied vote. Motion tabled.

Old Business

- Update on sinkhole issues – Council President Peter Dewey; Vice President, Katie Santiago and Solicitor Gary Asteak attended the May 22 meeting where a 2-hour discussion on sinkhole issues in the area was held. Another meeting will be held on June 26. Updates will be provided after the next meeting.

- Council Vice President Katie Santiago reported the website needs to be launched before September 1, 2026 as the present website provider will be retired as of this date. She is not renewing the software to continuing hosting the Borough's website. Katie reported she is in contact with Robert Bysher of nastudios. Mr. Bysher is aware of deadline and the Borough's website will be worked on as soon as possible.

Public Comment

- Resident Kailee Picciotti, Lincoln Ave. inquired about website content.

Adjournment

- **Motion** by Richard Wagner, Seconded, by Katie Santiago to adjourn meeting at 8:56pm. Motion carried 6-0 unopposed.

The next regular meeting of Borough Council is scheduled for Monday, June 15, 2026.

The foregoing was approved the **20th** day of **July, 2026**.

President of Council

Attest: _____