

MEETING MINUTES
FORD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
BC3 Armstrong
August 25, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Richard Chimka at 6:30 PM and the audience was advised that the meeting on August 25, 2025, is being audio taped by Ford City Borough to be made available for borough council members.

Is anyone else audio or video taping the meeting?

Leader Times, recording audio.

Vicki Schaub, recording audio.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Council President Carol Fenyes, Vice President Richard Chimka, Councilwoman Mary Alice Bryant, Councilwoman Sally Beck, Councilman Tom Ondrusek, Mayor Tim Bureau, and Solicitor Anna Hosack

Via Phone: Councilwoman Vicki Schaub and Engineer Joel Romagna

Absent: Borough Manager Charles Stull

CITIZENS AGENDA COMMENTS – None

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS – An Executive Session took place on August 11th, 2025, to receive legal advice from the Solicitor.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Bill Lists, July 28-August 22, 2025
2. Fire Department Report, July 2025
3. Police Report, July 2025
4. Code Enforcement Report, July 2025
5. Zoning Report, July 2025
6. Water Report, July 2025
7. Meeting Minutes, July 28, 2025

Having no objections, the consent agenda was passed.

FORD CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Andrea Kiehl- McKibbin, director of Ford City Public Library, has prepared an update on current matters at the Ford City Public Library as well as sharing some upcoming events that FCPL is facilitating.

FORD CITY HALLOWEEN PARADE COMMITTEE

Brad Baillie, a Ford City Lion and member of the Ford City Halloween Parade Committee, to appear before Council for the purpose of sharing details of the upcoming annual Halloween Parade in the borough.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Joel Romagna, Sr. Project Engineer with Stiffler, McGraw & Associates, prepared an Engineer's Report on existing projects within the Ford City Borough.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Approval and Authorization to Submit Payment Requisition #11 to PennVEST for Cast Iron Waterline Replacement Project

Council President Carol Fenyes made the motion to approve and authorize proper Borough officials to take all action necessary to submit Payment Requisition #11 in the amount of \$544,102.54 to PennVEST related to the Cast Iron Waterline Replacement Project. Councilwoman Sally Beck seconds the motion.

No comments

Motion carried: 6-0

2. Approval and Authorization to Submit Payment Requisition #11 to PennVEST for Lead Service Line Replacement Project

Councilwoman Mary Alice Bryant made the motion to approve and authorize proper Borough officials to take all action necessary to submit Payment Requisition #11 in the amount of \$214,354.64 to PennVEST related to the Lead Service Line Replacement Project. Councilman Tom Ondrusek seconds the motion.

No comments

Motion carried: 6-0

3. Authorizing Payment to J.S. Bova Excavating, LLC Pay Estimate #10 for Contract 2023-1 Mainline Work

Council President Carol Fenyes made the motion to table the approval and authorization of proper Borough officials to take all action necessary to remit payment for Pay Estimate #10 in the amount of \$476,771.05 to J.S. Bova Excavating, LLC submitted pursuant to Contract 2023-1 related to Waterline Replacement Project – Mainline Work (Project No. 22-0018).

Council Comments: Councilwoman Vicki Schaub expressed the desire to continue discussing this item and consider tabling the future pay requests.

Motion carried: 5-1 with Councilwoman Vicki Schaub opposing

4. Authorizing Payment to J.S. Bova Excavating, LLC Pay Estimate #9 for Contract 2023-1 LSL Work

Councilwoman Mary Alice Bryant made the motion to approve and authorize proper Borough officials to take all action necessary to remit payment for Pay Estimate #9 in the amount of \$199,910.63 to J.S. Bova Excavating, LLC submitted pursuant to Contract 2023-1 related to

Waterline Replacement Project – LSL Work (Project No. 22-0018). Councilwoman Sally Beck seconds the motion

Council Comments: Councilwoman Vicki Schaub expressed the desire to continue discussing this item and consider tabling the future pay requests.

Motion carried: 5-1 with Councilwoman Vicki Schaub opposing

5. Softball Association License Agreement

Council President Carol Fenyes made the motion to approve the execution of a License Agreement with the Ford City Softball Association for use of the Ford City Softball Fields and Facilities and authorize proper Borough officials to take all action necessary to effectuate the same. Councilwoman Sally Beck seconds the motion.

No comments

Motion carried: 6-0

6. Resolution 9-2025: Borough Council Committees

Council President Carol Fenyes made the motion to adopt Resolution 9-2025 establishing standing and ad hoc committees within Borough Council. Councilwoman Mary Alice Bryant seconds the motion

Council Comments: Councilwoman Vicki Schaub questioned the purpose of adopting a resolution of this nature as typically these committee positions are assigned by the Council President.

Motion carried: 5-1 with Councilwoman Vicki Schaub opposing

7. Resolution 10-2025: Borough Records Destruction

Councilwoman Mary Alice Bryant made the motion to adopt Resolution 10-2025 authorizing the destruction of certain public records pursuant to the Borough's Retention and Disposal Schedule authorized by the Municipal Records Act. Council President Carol Fenyes seconds the motion.

No comments

Motion carried: 6-0

8. Resolution 11-2025: Main Street Matters: Ford City Borough Façade Program

Council President Carol Fenyes made the motion to adopt Resolution 11-2025 authorizing the borough to submit an application to the Main Street Matters Program facilitated by the Department of Community and Economic Development for the Ford City Borough Façade Program. Councilwoman Sally Beck seconds the motion.

Council Comments: Councilwoman Vicki Schaub had a few preliminary questions upon the borough being awarded the grant.

Motion carried: 6-0

9. Approval of Ford City Borough's Appointee to the Southern Armstrong Regional Police Department Board of Commissioners

Council President Carol Fenyes made the motion to approve the appointment of Richard Chimka Jr to the Southern Armstrong Regional Police Department Board of Commissioners, to fill the

vacancy created by the resignation Carol Fenyes, for the remainder of a vacated term expiring December 31, 2026. Councilman Tom Ondrusek seconds the motion

Council Comments: Council President Carol Fenyes announced that she resigned from the Southern Armstrong Regional Police Department Board of Commissioners at their monthly meeting on August 18th, 2025 effective for August 25th, 2025.

Motion carried: 6-0

10. Permanent Restoration Agreement

Councilman Tom Ondrusek made the motion to approve a permanent restoration agreement with Peoples Gas as it pertains to the restoration of 6th Avenue in a form acceptable to the Solicitor and authorize proper Borough officials to take all action necessary to effectuate the same. Councilwoman Sally Beck seconds the motion.

Council Comments: Councilwoman Vicki Schaub expressed some concern moving forward with this agreement as the current draft was missing an exhibit.

Motion carried: 5-1 with Councilwoman Vicki Schaub opposing.

11. Borough of Ford City Stormwater Authority Appointment – David Tomaswick

Councilman Tom Ondrusek made the motion to appoint David Tomaswick to serve on the Borough of Ford City Storm Water Authority for the remainder of a vacated term expiring December 31, 2027. Councilwoman Mary Alice Bryant seconds the motion.

No comments

Motion carried: 6-0

DISCUSSION & POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS

Brownfields/ KOZ Extension

Evan Lyle, Vice President of Projectile Tubing Inc., prepared a presentation for Ford City Borough Council and the public audience to request a KOZ extension on their portion of the riverfront property that they recently worked with the borough to acquire. The presentation included their building plans to move Projectile Tubing Inc. to Ford City Borough.

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trick or Treat: Assistant Secretary Abby Nimerosky mentioned that the date for Trick or Treat needed to be decided as the borough office was already beginning to receive inquiries. Council ultimately decided to continue the tradition of scheduling trick or treating for the last Wednesday of October, making Trick or Treat in Ford City Borough on October 29th, 2025.

Fall Street Sweeping: Assistant Secretary Abby Nimerosky announced that fall street sweeping is just around the corner, specifying that the first evening of street sweeping is October 2nd, 2025.

Upcoming Events: Assistant Secretary Abby Nimerosky announced some upcoming events in the borough such as the two remaining First Fridays being September 5th and October 3rd. She also mentioned the upcoming annual Street Fair hosted by Ford City Hose Co. #1 during Labor Day weekend.

CITIZENS COMMENTS – None

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING –September 22, 2025, 6:30 PM at BC3 Armstrong Campus


ADJOURNMENT – 8:02 PM

Councilman Tom Ondrusek made the motion for adjournment. Council President Carol Fenyes seconds the motion.

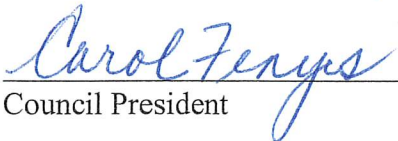
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Motion carried: 6-0

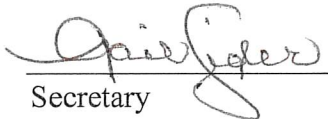
AUTHORIZING MINUTES



Assistant Secretary



Council President



Secretary