BOROUGH OF PATTERSON HEIGHTS COUNCIL MINUTES AUGUST 20, 2025

The regular meeting was called to order by Council President Bill Starn at 7:00 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. It was announced that the meeting was being recorded, and the roll was called.

Attendance -- Council Members attending included Jim Turnbull, Bryan Landman, David Lee, Rich Siget, and Ryan Errett. Other officials in attendance were Mayor Bard Hendry, Solicitor Frank Paganie, Assistant Police Chief Keith Girting for Police Chief Nick Bathgate, Fire Chief Jason Medlin, Tax Collector Nadine Galbreath, and Secretary/Treasurer Jack Doyle.

Agenda – Bryan Landman moved that the Agenda be approved, Rich Siget seconded, and the Council approved the Agenda.

President Starn announced that there had been an executive session prior to the regular meeting for the purpose of discussing legal issues. No votes or actions were taken.

Minutes – Bryan Landman moved that the minutes from July 16, 2025 be approved. Rich Siget seconded. Council approved.

Visitors – Mark Stowe, Code Enforcement Officer from the City of Beaver Falls, was present representing himlooking LLC. and Mr. Moore, who owns himlooking. himlooking is the company that bought the several properties along Bridge Street. Mr. Stowe said that Moore was looking to build four or five single-family homes on the land he purchased, but he first needed to consolidate the lots, since they were half in Beaver Falls and half in Patterson Heights. Beaver Falls had already signed off on the plan, but in order for the County to approve, they first needed the approval of Patterson Heights. Mr. Stowe said that building permits had already been approved, but no boundary lines had been determined. Jim Turnbull made the point that the lines must be determined before any permits are issued. Council also asked why Mr. Moore was not present to address them, and will require his coming before Council to answer their questions.

Police Report – The July Police Report was presented by Assistant Chief Keith Girting, and showed 54 calls for service with three warnings issued. Bryan said he removed a solicitor today who was going door to door for Ever-Dry.

Fire Report – The Fire Company responded to 28 calls in July, consisting of 24 EMS and 4 fire.

Oktoberfest – Lindsey Beegle could not attend the meeting, but will have information by the meeting in September. Council members expressed concerns about the possibility of serving alcohol, and about blocking fire trucks in case of emergency.

Solicitor – Frank said his discussion items will come during the New Business portion of the meeting.

Tax Collector – Nadine reported that \$5,850.43 was collected in July.

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Correspondence – An email from Mark Stanton of BIU opining that it would be cost prohibitive for them to drive through the Borough and cite residents for code violations due to the distance they would have to travel from Pittsburgh.

Code Enforcement – Peggy Griffin from New Brighton would be unable to help with code violations, as she is already busy with New Brighton's work. Mrs. Amberson at 702 4th Street has had an accident, and broke several bones. She was recently undergoing rehabilitation at Beaver Valley Nursing. Tiger Paws was to take care of her lawn, but their work was less than satisfactory. There is nothing new with the house at 518 4th Street, as Council will not provide an opinion on a possible rebuild if the house does not currently meet code.

Treasurer's Report – The Treasurer provided a report of receipts in the month of July, which included the amusement tax payment from the golf course.

Public Safety Committee Nothing to report.

Buildings and Grounds – The new roof is on the pavilion, and it looks great. Bill said they met with the ladies who will work on a grant. Nothing else to report.

Streets and Sewers – Nothing new.

Recreation – Nothing new.

Recycling – Nothing new.

Budget and Finance – Nothing to report.

Rental Property – Inspections are ongoing.

New Business – (1) Council is asked to execute the Settlement Statement in the Aqua matter with Beaver Falls, and authorize Bill Starn to sign it. It was so motioned by Ryan Errett, seconded by Bryan Landman, and Council approved. (2) Widmer Engineering certified that Youngblood Paving was the low bidder on the upcoming paving project for milling and base repair of 8th Avenue north of 4th Street, estimated cost to be \$72,236.52. (3) Bryan Landman moved we award the tree removal to Hudson Tree Service, with the low bid of \$9,750. The intention is to lien the property of the current homeowner for the cost of the removal. work to Youngblood Paving, the low bidder. Rich Siget seconded, and Council approved. (4) Council discussed the weeds growing in the street curbs, and that the residents are responsible for maintaining them. (5) Randy Dawson will be contacted regarding house number and street name changes.

Old Business – Already discussed.

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Mayor – Bard Hendry reminded the Council of a piece of correspondence that had been overlooked. A letter from Horticulturist James Lutz stated that bamboo is a grass, and the only way to successfully remove it is to remove all the soil in which it is growing.

COG – Nothing to report.

Emergency Management – Nothing to report.

Fiscal and Contractual – Bryan Landman moved that the bills be paid or ratified as presented. Rich Siget seconded, and Council approved.

Announcements – None.

Adjournment – Rich Siget moved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:24. Bryan Landman seconded, and Council approved. The next regular meeting will be September 17, 2025, at 7 p.m.

	William A. Starn, Council President
Jack D. Doyle, Secretary	