

# Harveys Lake Borough, Luzerne County

## Regular Council Meeting Minutes

### August 25, 2026

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The Regular Council Meeting of the Harveys Lake Borough was held on Tuesday, August 25, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at the General Municipal Authority of Harveys Lake building, 4875 Memorial Highway, Harveys Lake, PA, 18618.

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Pro Tem President Harris called the meeting to order, welcomed everyone, and asked everyone to join in the pledge of the flag.

Pro Tem President Harris announced that the meeting was being recorded and requested the names of all public members with a recording device. Emily Jendrzewski, Jake Higgin, Leann Erney

#### Roll Call

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| Jason Simoson    | Mayor          | Present     |
| David A. Delaney | President      | Not Present |
| Clarence Hogan   | Vice President | Not Present |
| Lewis Evans      | Council Member | Present     |
| Brandon Harris   | Council Member | Present     |
| Robinn Mikalic   | Council Member | Present     |
| Robert Prescott  | Council Member | Present     |
| Charles West     | Council Member | Present     |
| William Watt     | Solicitor      | Present     |

Motion made by Council Member Evans and seconded by Council Member Prescott to approve the minutes from the previous meeting.

#### Public Comment

The council members that are on Facebook should refrain from going back and forth.  
Zoning hearing board decision regarding 52 Lakeside Dr. and clarification on what 12 feet from grade means.  
Vice President of the Protective Association stated that there are issues regarding their sign on the island coming into the lake. A boy scout refurbished the sign and there are issues with it.  
Mobile home park that has water leaks and abandoned trailers.

#### Reports from appointed officials and special committees

Police Report: Mayor Simoson, Police Chief Charlie Musial – 99 Calls for the month of July.

Roads Committee: \*Brandon Harris, Clarence Hogan –Daily inspections, cleaning roads, and paving continues.

Finance Committee: \*Robinn Mikalic, Brandon Harris, Clarence Hogan –No report Bills \$143,236.91

Zoning Committee: \*Brandon Harris, Clarence Hogan, Robert Prescott – Total collected for July \$2,578.00

Garbage Committee: \*Charles West, Robert Prescott, Brandon Harris – There are 2 trucks currently picking up recycling and trash. They have switched transfer stations. Still talking about privatizing refuse collection.

Grants Committee: \*Clarence Hogan, Robinn Mikalic, Brandon Harris – Grants have been submitted for Hydrilla, Police Equipment and we will be voting on a grant to be submitted for the completion of the Public Safety Support Building

Sewer Committee: \*Robinn Mikalic, Brandon Harris, Charles West – Maintenance continues. The department continues to help the road department with paving.

Back Mountain Community Partnership (BMCP): \*Clarence Hogan, Charlie Musial, Allyson Barcheski – No report

Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC): \*Lewis Evans, Robert Prescott, Charles West – Luzerne Foundation setup an account for any donations received to treat hydrilla. Currently the lake has an algae bloom.

Rain Tax/Wyoming Valley Sanitary Authority (WVSA) Committee: \*Robert Prescott, Brandon Harris, Charles West – It was recently ruled in court that the fee that is being collected by WVSA is in fact a tax.

Recreation Committee: \* Clarence Hogan – The balance in the bank account in August 2024 was \$8,531.10. The committee has done many things for the community. As of July 2026, the balance in that account is \$8,250.00

Motion made by Council Member West and seconded by Council Member Prescott to accept reports from committees.

#### Old Business

Motion to table Mammoth bins made by Council member Prescott and seconded by Council member Mikalic.

Motion to approve authorizing Solicitor Watt to draft a short-term rental ordinance for council to review for September's meeting made by Council member West and seconded by Council member Evans.

#### New Business

Motion to accept the resignation of John Riester of the planning commission made by Mikalic and seconded by Council member Prescott.

Motion to accept the resignation of RMS as the third-party building company made by Evans and seconded by Council member Prescott.

Motion to approve Denisco Boathouse Component 3 application made by Council Member Evans and seconded by Council member Prescott.

Motion to approve hiring part-time officer Landon Lore on August 26, 2026, made by Council member West and seconded by Council member Evans.

Motion to approve authorizing Solicitor Watt to update the ordinance Taxation ordinance Chapter 44 article 7 made by Council member Evans and seconded by Council member Mikalic.

Motion to approve G & R Consulting agreement to apply for Hydrilla LSA Grant made by Council member Evans and seconded by Council member Mikalic.

Motion to approve Resolution 2026-08251 for Hydrilla Management LSA Grant made by Council member Mikalic and seconded by Council member Evans.

Motion to approve Reilly Associates to apply for LSA Grant regarding the completion of the Public Safety Support Building made by Council member Mikalic and seconded by Council member Prescott.

Motion to approve moving forward regarding electrical wires in the stormwater pipes made by Council member West and seconded by Council member Evans.

Motion to approve authorizing Solicitor Watt to update ordinance for refuse collection for private haulers made by Council member West and seconded by Council member Evans.

Motion to appoint Advanced Code Consultants as the third-party building company made by Council member Evans and seconded by Council member Mikalic.

Roll Call

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| Lewis Evans     | Council Member | Yes     |
| Brandon Harris  | Council Member | Yes     |
| Robinn Mikalic  | Council Member | Yes     |
| Robert Prescott | Council Member | Abstain |
| Charles West    | Council Member | Yes     |

Motion to approve G & R Consulting agreement to apply for Police Equipment LSA grant made by Council member West and seconded by Council member Prescott.

Motion to approve Resolution 2026-08252 to apply for Police Equipment LSA grant made by Council member West and seconded by Council member Prescott.

Council member Mikalic corrected the total of the bills to \$143,236.91. Motion made by Council Member Evans and Second by Council Member Mikalic to pay the bills and payroll for the month of July

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| \$81,549.95        | Payroll |
| \$143,236.91       | Bills   |
| <hr/> \$224,786.86 | Total   |

Motion made by Council Member Prescott and seconded by Council Member Evans to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m

Respectfully,

Allyson Barcheski  
Borough Secretary