

June 23, 2026
Apollo Borough Council Regular Meeting

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, The Apollo Borough council meeting was called to order by the President at 7:00 p.m., at 809 N Warren Avenue, Apollo PA 15613.

Council members: Mark Tarle, Cindy O'Block, Kristina Fox, Ken Cyphert and Jeanne Rummel were present. The Secretary/Treasurer, Mayor and Solicitor were present. Council Members Sherry Sabatino and Michelle Beck and The Engineer were absent.

Public Comments:

- In lieu of a Lion's Club representative, Council President Jeanne Rummel presented the Club's wishes to collect money during an event called "Cracker Jack", where Club members will hand out boxes of the candy in exchange for a donation. The event will take place on July 11th.
- Motion: made by Cindy O'Block, seconded by Ken Cyphert to permit the donation collection. Motion passed unanimously.
- Crystal Klingensmith proposed working with the Borough to present "Floats and Hoes", an event promoting floating down the Kiski River and camping along the riverbank in Apollo. The event will take place on July 25, 2026.
- Pat Zelonka expressed concerns about numerous items including potholes, a river access for kayakers, the development at 400 N 2nd St. and bringing back events in the park.
- Sklyer Skeel expressed continuing concerns regarding the next-door property at 808 Terrace.

Meeting Minutes:

- Motion: made by Mark Tarle, seconded by Cindy O'Block to approve the May 26, 2026 meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Solicitor's Report:

- Discussion: It was determined to keep the Sewer Usage Fees Ordinance essentially the same., with some attention to detail.
- Discussion: The AI Date Center Ordinance was tabled indefinitely. The PA Association of Boroughs has an adoptable model AI ordinance. The current proposal is not legal as it prohibits the use.
- Motion: made by Cindy O'Block, seconded by Jeanne Rummel to advertise the Kerr and N 4th Street Ordinance. Motion passed unanimously.
- Discussion: Litigation updates.
- Motion: made by Mark Tarle, seconded by Cindy O'Block to pay the Solicitor's Invoice. Motion passed unanimously.

Engineering Report: Absent.

- Discussion: Engineer's Invoice.
- Motion: made by Cindy O'Block, seconded by Kristina Fox to pay the Engineer's Invoice. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Kenzevich:

Secretary/Treasurer Report:

- Discussion: Qualitative report of live mold spore sampling taken by Bactronix throughout the building and corresponding remediation plan, including collection and destruction of affected and other documents/items.
- Motion: made by Jeanne Rummel, seconded by Mark Tarle to move forward with Borough Building mold remediation and destruction of affected records/items per PA guidelines and using Bactronix. Motion passed unanimously.
- Update on CDBG Grant: application was submitted on time; the grant process is progressing.

- Motion: made by Jeanne Rummel, seconded by Cindy O'Block to hold future meetings at Soldiers and Sailors Hall at 7PM. Motion passed unanimously.
- Discussion: Liquid Fuels audit was completed successfully.

Monthly Expenses:

- Monthly Expenses for payment of items as follows (5/22/2026 – 6/17/2026):

General Fund (includes payroll) - \$28,154.41

Garbage Fund – \$14,702.26

Parking Fund - \$37.42

Sewer Fund/Separation Fund - \$2,395.63

Liquid Fuels - \$7,500.00

Landlord Fund - \$1,850.00

Vacancy Fund - \$0.00

Events Fund - \$0.00

Total – \$52,789.12

- Motion: made by Mark Tarle, seconded by Ken Cyphert to approve the payment of the monthly expenses for 5/22/2026 – 6/17/2026. Motion passed unanimously.

Finance Committee Report: Jeanne Rummel, chair:

Public Safety: Mark Tarle, chair:

- Discussion: update of dangerous structures and junk cars. Officer Romagnoli stated there were over 60 Notices of Violation/Citations on property maintenance.

Public Works & Streets Committee Report: Jeanne Rummel, chair:

- Discussion: Update on Street Sweeping concerns. The sweepers are destroying the roads, lifting cold patch and they are not vacuuming while they are sweeping, creating dust.
- Discussion: Update on stop sign placement, the signs have been purchased.

Property & Planning Committee Report: Cindy O'Block, chair:

- Discussion: Solar panel update. Still awaiting interconnection to move forward.
- Discussion: Summit Avenue parking. Cindy O'Block is to reach out to the property owner. The borough is able to use the nuisance ordinance to remediate the property, but at the Borough's expense.
- Discussion: Development of a Volunteer-based Beautification Committee to target needed improvements throughout town has been tabled until next year.

Public Relations Committee/Events: Jeanne Rummel, chair:

- Discussion: Updates to Soldier's and Sailor's Hall is near completion. Photos will be added to the website as soon as they are available.

Other Business:

- Discussion: It was determined that the Sewer Separation and other runoff issues are to remain a Civil matter between residents. No modifications will be made to any of the ordinances.
- Discussion: Garbage hauling services. Prepare to advertise for garbage hauling services after review of last bid specs.
- Motion: made by Ken Cyphert, seconded by Jeannie Rummel to advertise for rebidding sanitation services. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

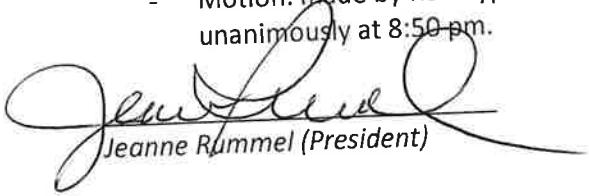
- Discussion: No update on the Solicitation Ordinance Revision.
- Discussion: Fill the vacant position on the Vacancy Board.

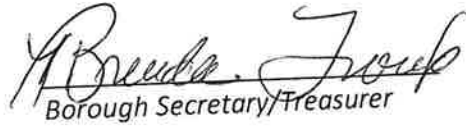
Executive Session: (Legal and Personnel Matters)

- Motion: made by Cindy O'Block and seconded by Mark Tarle to enter executive session. Motion passed unanimously at 8:35 pm.
- Motion: made by Cindy O'Block, seconded by Jeanne Rummel to end executive session. Motion passed unanimously at 8:50 pm.

Adjournment:

- Motion: made by Ken Cyphert, seconded by Cindy O'Block to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously at 8:50 pm.


Jeanne Rummel (President)


Borough Secretary/Treasurer