

AGENDA – MONDAY JANUARY 5, 2026

BI-ANNUAL REORGANIZATION MEETING

CALL TO ORDER (Mayor Cost)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (*All stand*)

REORGANAZITION 2026

The Borough Secretary affirms receipt of election certificates and residency affidavits and confirms those incoming Councilmembers have been duly sworn in prior to the organization meeting **or**;

Mayor Cost will swear in newly elected Council Members, John Zasik and Tracey Lazier.

- Mayor Cost opens the floor with a request for Nominations for Council President.
- Mayor Cost announces each nominee and requests a show of hands for each of them in the order nominated.
- Mayor Cost passes the gavel to the newly elected Council President.

ROLL CALL

The newly elected Council President proceeds with the following:

- Nomination & Election of the Council Vice President; President asks for motion to appoint the Vice President announces each nominee and requests a show of hands for each of them in the order nominated.
- Nomination & Election of the President Pro-Tem to preside in the absence of both the Council President & Vice President; President asks for motion to appoint the following & asks **“All in favor?” – “Any opposed?”**
- Motion to reappoint Vacancy Board Chair (John Kameen) **“All in favor?” – “Any opposed?”**
- Motion to reappoint Borough Solicitor (Marissa McAndrew, Esq.); **“All in favor?” – “Any opposed?”**
- Motion to reappoint Emergency Management Coordinator (Paul Mihelc) **“All in favor?” – “Any opposed?”**
- Motion to approve Resolution #1_2026 to reappoint Borough Secretary/Treasurer (Dennise Yankauskas) **“All in favor?” – “Any opposed?”**
- Motion to approve Resolution #2_2026 reappoint Zoning Officer (Joe Unis Jr.) **“All in favor?” – “Any opposed?”**
- Motion to approve Resolution #3_2026 reappoint Right To Know (RTK) Officer (Dennise Yankauskas) **“All in favor?” – “Any opposed?”**
- Appointment of Committee Chairpersons, Members and the Zoning Hearing Board & Planning Commission (may be tabled to February’s Meeting for additional review).

REGULAR BUSINESS: (COUNCIL PRESIDENT)

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An executive session was held on December 29, 2025 & January 5, 2026 in reference to personnel issues.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. ADMINISTRATION: (TBD)

- a) Motion to Approve Minutes from DECEMBER 1, 2025 Meeting; (**motion, second, "all in favor?"**)
- b) Motion to Approve Treasurer's Report from DECEMBER 2025; (**motion, second & roll call vote**)
- c) Motion to advertise to fill vacancy left by the 2025 General Election; (**Motion, second – Roll call vote**);
- d) Motion to approve the cost of Forest City Borough's 2025 Municipal Annual Audit - General Fund and Sewer Fund from Brian T Kelly in the amount of \$7000 (2024 cost \$6500); (**Motion, second - roll call vote**);

B. PUBLIC WORKS: (TBD)

- a) Public Works Report for December 2025;

C. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: (TBD)

D. PARKS & RECREATION: (TBD)

- a) Parks report;
- b) Assign a committee (of 3) to schedule & attend a meeting with the Forest City Baseball Softball Association, FCB Council and FC Parks & Recreation and report back to council at Februarys meeting;

E. CODE ENFORCEMENT: (TBD)

- a) December 2025 Code Enforcement Report;
- b) Motion to advertise Ordinance #529_2026 - PAVE CUT; (**Motion, second - roll call vote**);
- c) Motion to continue to employ our current code enforcement officer or advertise/hire another person for the job; (**Motion, second - roll call vote**);

F. SAFETY & HEALTH: (TBD)

G. COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: (TBD)

H. MAYOR'S REPORT: (Mayor Cost)

- a) December 2025 Police Report;
- b) 2025 Annual Police Department Report;
- d) 2025 Annual Fire Department Report;

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- e) Motion to hire Terry Thompson as Part-time Officer @ \$25/hr., effective 1/5/2026 contingent upon meeting the requirements of Act 120 with a probation period of six months; **(Motion, second - roll call vote);**

I. SOLICITOR'S REPORT: (TBD)

J. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Motion to create and solicit a petition to approve a bill to decrease the number of Council Members for Forest City Borough from seven to five members; **(Motion, second - roll call vote);**
- b) Discuss and Motion for number of hours worked per week for the Code Enforcement Officer which includes project management duties; **(Motion, second - roll call vote);**
- c) Discuss & Motion to approve the agreed/budgeted 5% raise for nonuniform employee's vs the 2% raise now introduced; **(Motion, second - roll call vote);**

K. ANNOUNCEMENTS: (Council President)

- a) The increase for Garbage Fees, effective 1/1/2026, to be in the February 2026 bills from \$19.75 to \$24.75/month per the Fee Schedule adopted in Resolution #12_2025. The total Sewer/Garbage bill will be \$54.00.
- b) A workshop will be held on January 22, 2026 @ 6:00, parameters for sewer & garbage delinquent list for newspaper, a new debit/credit card system with online payments and adding Forest City's Sewer and Garbage Fees to the borough's 2027 Tax Bill.
- c) Browndale County Line Bridge weight limit changed;
- d) The next regularly scheduled Meeting will be held on Monday February 2ND, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

L. PUBLIC COMMENT & QUESTIONS

M. ADJOURNMENT: (Council President)

- a) Council President requests a motion to adjourn **(motion, second, All in Favor?)**