

# **BOROUGH OF QUARRYVILLE – COUNCIL MINUTES**

## **TOWN HALL MEETING – May 4, 2026**

Borough Council held a Town Hall Meeting on the above date at 7:00 PM at the Municipal Building with approximately 50 individuals in attendance. Council President Brian Braightmeyer called the meeting to order with the following persons present: Council Members Lydia Walton, Susan Noel, James Kreider, Devin Groff, Diane Hastings, Joy Kemper and JCP Parker Boos present. Borough Manager Michelle Evans, Mayor Stella McComsey, and Director of Public Safety John Slauch were also in attendance.

**Welcoming Remarks and Review of Guidelines:** Mayor Stella McComsey welcomed everyone and went over the guidelines for the structure of the Town Hall meeting.

**Services, Agreement and Personnel (SAP) Committee Report:** SAP Chairperson Susan Noel explained that the SAP committee goes over services such as professional services, etc. goes over agreements with other townships and handles personnel matters. Chairperson Noel reported that the committee is currently working on a non-uniform retirement plan for employees that were hired after the pension freeze a few years ago. This new retirement plan will be funded by Pennsylvania State funds.

**Planning Commission Report:** Chairperson Diane Hastings gave an over view of what the Planning Commission does and how it works. Chairperson Hastings reported that WaWa's possible timeframe to be complete is two (2) years. WaWa is now waiting on permits from PennDot.

**Streets, Infrastructure and Parks (SIP) Committee Report:** Chairperson Devin Groff reported that the SIP committee has been working on items such as: working with the fire company on the pre-emption at the new signal at the West End of town, paving Huffnagle Park pathways, the Park Avenue Culvert repair, a truck study on 4<sup>th</sup> Street, street paving and repair of several Borough streets.

**Police Chief Search Committee Report:** Chairperson Susan Noel reported that the committee placed an advertisement with the Pennsylvania Chiefs Association. The committee received 12 applicants. The committee is made up of Council members, Director of Public Safety, John Slauch, Mayor Stella McComsey, local business owners and police officers. The Committee will be holding interviews starting the second week of May.

**Quarryville Happenings Report:** Borough Manager Michelle Evans reported on the many community events held by the Borough. Such events as Peeps in the

Park, Community yard sales, Car Cruise, Sidewalk Chalk contest, and Christmas in Qville among others. Borough Manager Evans also talked about the new Water and Sewer billing system that will be implemented by the middle of May. Residents will have the opportunity to be on a customer portal for billing information, community events and emergency information. Residents will have the option to receive their bills by mail, email or text.

**Move to Suspend Roberts:** Councilwoman Walton made a motion to suspend Roberts Rule and enter into Town Hall meeting. Councilwoman Hastings seconded. Motion was unanimously approved.

**Public Comment Period:** The following residents spoke during the public comment time:

Sheila Rhoades, Beth Marsh, Pete Adams, Steve Risk, Jake Bachman and Lucy Shuler expressed the need for the Police to enforce speeding in the Borough. They would like 24/7 police coverage. They also would like the Police Search Committee to hire a working Chief. They stated disappointment in the Police Department. Comments about E-bikes and electric scooters were also stated. Comments about jake breaks in the Borough was a concern as well.

Beth Marsh expressed concerns with the number of solicitors going around the Borough.

Bob Minnich expressed his concern about last years street sweeper not doing a very good job.

Randy Palmatier stated that the Stoner Wade Property is an eye sore and would like to see it cleaned up. He also stated that the speed bumps are not slowing people down on his street.

Dan Hushon asked Council what their plans are to draw businesses to the area. He stated that there are empty buildings that could be used to revitalize the town.

Helen McNamie stated that there has been loud music and partying behind her house at a North Church Street location.

Patti Chase thanked the Council members for volunteering their time and that she appreciates them.

Cheryl Bowman asked questions about the Police Chief applications, timeline on WaWa, plans for bike paths on streets and suggested putting ballards around the new electric box at Turkey Hill.

**Move to return to Roberts Rule:** A motion was made by Councilwoman Hastings and seconded by Councilwoman Walton to return to Roberts Rule for the meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.

**ADJOURNMENT:** At 8:36 PM, Council President Braightmeyer called for a motion to adjourn. It was moved by Councilwoman Hastings and seconded by Councilwoman Noel that the meeting be adjourned. The motion to adjourn was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Evans  
Borough Manager