PORT CARBON BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 21, 2026

COUNCIL MEMBERS:
Scott Krater, President, p
Harold Herndon, Vice President, phone
Megan Borowski, a
William Devers, p
Kim Hrenyo, p
Cody Herndon, p

ANCILLARY:
James McBreen, Mayor, p
James Conville, Solicitor, p
Ann Miller, Treasurer, p
Angela LaSelva,Secretary, p

The meeting was called to order by President Scott Krater opening with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7pm.

A moment of silence was observed for the passing of resident Nina Thomas Schell. Nina was the first female firefighter in Schuylkill County.

Minutes Approval:
W. Devers motioned to approve meeting minutes from March 2026; seconded C. Herndon.

Executive Session:
An executive session was entered at 7:13pm to discuss real estate; exited 7:21pm.

Citizens Portion:
Jeff Dunkel spoke about a possible Car Cruise sponsored by A & E Auto on October 3 from 2-4pm. Citizens Fire Company Palo Alto will host the main event at 139 W Bacon St. A waiver agreement will be signed by each participant. A small section of Pike St will be No Parking. C. Herndon motioned to participate in the event; seconded W. Devers.
Mike Welsh reported on abandoned vehicles, inlets needing repair and a smashed traffic cone across from Mama Mia's.

Committee Reports:

Finance: None
Public Works: President S. Krater reported trees needing to be trimmed- one on the side of the church, two in front of the church and in the playground. He also reported on the emergency repairs needed to the steeple at the church.
Mayor J. McBreen reported on the multiple potholes on Chestnut St by Dollar General.
Property: W. Devers had nothing to report.
Safety: C. Herndon questioned if the officers were sworn in yet for Port Carbon for the cross coverage agreement.
Recreation: A. LaSelva reported the soccer practices at the field are being held twice weekly.

Council will need to discuss the float plans for the Pottsville City Parade in June.
Zoning/Code Enforcement: N. Hazlett reported on the following properties:
129 Pike St being inspection ready, 129 Jackson St people possibly living there past condemnation curfew, 73 Coal St register units, 69 Coal St for siding, 21 Acre and 59 Long St for stop work orders. He also proposed a possible neighborhood watch group to be assembled to help with vandalism etc. The Lime Letter was also talked about regarding delinquent trash collection in the Borough. Black Rock Property Mgmt. is purchasing property on Coal St to turn into a lounge with pool tables, skills games etc. Mayor McBreen mentioned creating and enacting an ordinance for fees related to skills games in the Borough.
Personnel: None
Sanitation: C. Herndon reported on the Creditech resolution. H. Maley motioned to accept the Creditech Resolution 2026-08; seconded C. Herndon.
Watershed: None
Special: None
Treasurer's Report: A. Miller read the report for the month:

Wells Fargo Beginning Balance	$173,931.20
Checks/Payments	$10,597.08
Deposits/Credits	$175,156.26
Balance as of 3/31/26	$350,193.76

Wells Fargo Liquid Fuels Beginning Bal	$29,314.46
Checks/Payments	$2,075.47
Deposits/Credits	$60,288.70
Balance as of 3/31/26	$87,527.69

CACL Beginning Balance	$102,362.03
Checks/Payments	$72,468.82
Deposits/Credits	$59,941.17
Balance as of 3/31/26	$89,834.38

Tax Collector's Report: A. Miller submitted the Tax Collector's Report for April 1 through April 15:

Real Estate	$116,818.03
P er Cap	$509.60
Borough Tax	$892.32

W. Devers motioned to accept the Treasurer's and Tax Collector's Reports; seconded K. Hrenyo.

Engineer's Report: J. Tohill from Benesch gave updates regarding the following projects: FEMA, CDBG curb project, no change in the Growing Greener Grant status, the LSA grant project for the new Borough Hall and the 2026 Road Project. He also gave information on potential funding opportunities.
Fire Chief's Report: M. Welsh gave the report for the month, 30 total calls.

Mayor's Report: Mayor J. McBreen reported 46 incidents between February and March. The UCR validations are complete. K. Hrenyo motioned to approve the enrollment of Port Carbon Borough in the ICE 287(g) program; seconded H. Maley.
W. Devers motioned to enact the Parking Officer Ordinance; seconded C. Herndon.
Emergency Management: None
Solicitor's Report: Attorney Conville reported on the questions he was asked about the ICE program and the Creditech resolution.
New Business: H. Herndon reported on several events coming up. July 26 and October 17 he would like to host the Open Markets to set up at Lubinsky playground. Possible train rides by Blue Mountain & Reading Railroads. W. Devers motioned to give permission for the Open Markets to be held at Lubinsky Playground on July 26 and October 17; seconded C. Herndon.
He would also like to arrange fresh produce to be sold during the summer, beginning in June from 4-7pm by Borough Hall.
He also reported new flags are needed.
Citizens: R. Zimmerman gave input regarding grants.
Kirk Kirkland reported cameras need to be installed at the Lubinsky playground before any improvements are made.

As there was no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by C. Herndon at 8:21pm; seconded W. Devers

Respectfully submitted,

Angela LaSelva
Secretary
Port Carbon Borough