

**Port Carbon Borough Council
Work Session
February 03, 2026**

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Scott Krater, President, p
Harold Herndon, Vice-Président, p
Megan Borowski, p
William Devers, p
Kim Hrenyo, p
Cody Herndon, p
Heather Maley, p

ANCILLARY MEMBERS

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

The meeting was called to order by President Scott Krater opening with the pledge of Allegiance.

Citizen's Portion:

NONE

Executive Session:

NONE

Committee Reports:

Finance- Still working on bank signatories

Public Works- W. Devers reported on the snow storm, Thank you and Great job to Dave and Crew!

W. Devers motioned to hire Tyler Diehl, Joshua Smith and Joseph Quirk as per diem plow drivers and snow removal; seconded C. Herndon.

H. Herndon motioned to increase the per diem plow pay from \$12.75/hr to \$14.00/hr; seconded C. Herndon. A donation of \$200.00 was made by citizens of Port Carbon to help with snow removal.

W. Devers reported the public works department would like radios to communicate with each other to be kept in the trucks and garage.

H. Herndon asked Dave to thank your wife for feeding everyone during the storm.

Property- Rep_Twardzicks office needs desk moved from parsonage house to the church.

H. Herndon reported needing two keys for Tim's office, and new council members also.

W. Devers reported the electric to the parsonage house has been cut and the meter was removed. Bensinger is also installing the ne hot water heaters in the church. He also reported the church almost ran out of oil, can it be put on autofill?

Dave will check the blinking light above the police station.

Safety- Committee will meet next week.

Recreation- NONE

Zoning/Code- N. Hazlett gave updates on the Madonna property, 145 Pottsville St and 256 Spruce St. He made suggestions to change the rental ordinance and work permits in the Borough.

Personnel- M. Borowski reported a group text was created for the secretary and treasurer's office schedules.

Sanitation- Great job collecting considering the snow.

Watershed- W. Devers reported the Soup and Bake Sale coming up this weekend on Saturday from 11am-2pm or sell out. The money raised will be used for matching funds for grants for future watershed projects.

Special- NONE

Mayor's Report:

J. McBreen thanked the streets department, fire personnel, police and code officials for their help with snow removal. He also reported on looking to adopt a Parking Enforcement Ordinance naming a Parking enforcement Officer to monitor parking and issue tickets in the Borough. The police pension was overpaid, should we accept a refund or leave in the account. Council agreed to leave it in the account. Chief Ferraro is not to contribute to the pension fund anymore as it is self-sustained. Chief Ferraro also requested permission to look into applying for the Cops Grant which would help fund an additional full-time officer for the department.

New Business-

Liquid Fuels can be used for snow removal during a disaster declaration.

America 250 meeting will be held on Thursday at 10am at the Commissioners Building.

B. Shuttler requested the Borough set aside emergency funds during its yearly budget for emergency snow removal etc.

A. Miller reported needing a new computer.

Citizens Portion-

NONE

As there was no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by M. Borowski at 8:06pm; seconded H. Herndon.

Respectfully Submitted,

Angela LaSelva
Secretary
Port Carbon Borough