Port Carbon Borough Council
Work Session
July 07, 2026

COUNCIL MEMBERS	ANCILLARY MEMBERS
Scott Krater, President, P	James McBreen, Mayor, P
Harold Herndon, Vice President, p	James Conville, Solicitor, A
Megan Borowski, P	Ann Miller, Treasurer, P
William Devers, A	Angela LaSelva, Secretary, P
Kim Hrenyo, P	
Cody Herndon, P	
Heather Maley, P	

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

A moment of silence was observed for Trooper Michael Pahira.

Citizen's Portion:
-211 Jackson St received complaints of overgrown weeds. Officer Hazlett will be responding.

Executive Session:
None

Committee Reports:
Finance- K. Hrenyo motioned for Angela LaSelva to have a credit card for office supply purchases; seconded M. Borowski.
K. Hrenyo motioned to authorize Angela LaSelva as account manager for grant funding applications contingent on the Finance Committee's approval; seconded H. Maley.
K. Hrenyo reported on a Wells Fargo account with $10,000.00 balance and if that can be transferred into General Fund. Mayor McBreen answered that $3750 has been earmarked for the GTRP match portion of the grant, so only $6250 is available.
K. Hrenyo motioned to close the "Grant Account" at Wells Fargo (opened 2017); seconded H. Maley.
K. Hrenyo also reported on a Wells Fargo Fire Escrow Account holding $28,000.00. A. Miller will find out where this money belongs and disperse it appropriately. President S. Krater suggested looking into the Fire Escrow Ordinance for further guidance.
Public Works- None
Property- President S. Krater reported on the renovations for the new Borough Hall with the magistrate not included.
H. Herndon motioned to approve plans for Task One of the new municipal building; seconded C. Herndon.
Safety- None
Recreation- None
Zoning/Code Enforcement- N. Hazlett submitted his report after the meeting concluded.
71/73 Coal Street zoning and rental occupancy violations have been issued; 30 Coal St for violation due to collapsing shed; 94 Coal St for violation due to animal feces; 29 Pottsville St violation for cat urine; 118/120 North Street for a complaint; Addressed the inflatable flying in front of the smoke shop; A letter for the Little Sunshines Daycare has been drafted and letter has been filled out for PEMA. Less than 50% damage to the building so nothing extra will be required during repair; Drafted an E-Bike Ordinance for council; Created a Utility Excavation SOP and Workbook for guidance; Received complaints that children

under 21 are going inside the Skills Game Arcade on Jackson St because there isn't an attendant; Received hearing notice for July 27 for Pedro Quinonas from a citation filed June 27, 2025; 51 properties have been cited for high grass, 12 have been posted so far; 8 parking tickets have been issued.
Personnel- M. Borowski reported she will be on vacation next week.
Sanitation- None
Watershed- Mayor McBreen reported on the GTRP Grant and commitment letter. Previously reported they were allocated $3750 for the match portion of the grant, but now will need a total of $4312.50, leaving a $562.50 difference. Soup sale funds will be used leaving a balance of $100.
K. Hrenyo motioned to approve the additional $100 for the GTRP Grant match; seconded M. Borowski.
Special- None

Mayor's Report:
Mayor J. McBreen congratulated all winners from the Fourth of July events, Firecracker 5K and the Parade; He thanked the Citizens Committee and sponsors for the exceptional celebration for America's 250th Anniversary; Officer Cromyak is now trained and ready for duty; Trooper Pahira's funeral will be this Wednesday July 8th. Port Carbon Police will attend. 'My thoughts and prayers go out to his family, friends and fellow troopers.'; He requested a meeting with the recreation committee to review amendments to Borough Ordinance Chapter 166: Recreation and Parks.
Mayor McBreen will be on vacation July 11- July 18.

New Business:
Vice President H. Herndon reported beginning Tuesday July 14 from 4-8pm Dieter Farms will have a produce stand in front of the Senior Building on Pike Street every week through October. They will also be joining our market dates in the Lubinsky Playground on July 26 and October 17.
K. Hrenyo reported a tree had fallen and is still hanging in the roadway on Wood Street.
H. Maley reported a strong sewage smell coming from 101 Commerce St.
H. Maley motioned to approve the health insurance renewal that will include a $250 deductible for name brand prescription drugs beginning 8/1/2026; seconded H. Herndon. A meeting with Larry, Dave and Joe will be scheduled.

Citizen's Portion:
-K. Kirkland, Pottsville St, complimented the fireworks display on July 4th; he also reported two children inside one of the empty trailers around the Yuengling Property.
-President S. Krater reported a missing man from Vermont has a tent set up next to the bridge.
-S. Krater also submitted a Thank You letter to everyone that joined the Fourth of July celebration, and also thanked the sponsors for their generous donations. Firecracker 5k shirts, America 250 shirts and coins are still available for purchase while supplies last. Next year we celebrate Port Carbon's 175th Anniversary! You don't want to miss it!

As there was no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by M. Borowski at 7:42pm; seconded C. Herndon .

Respectfully submitted,

Angela LaSelva
Secretary
Port Carbon Borough