

May 14, 2026

Prior to the regular meeting of the Ligonier Borough Council, a work session was held beginning at 6:00 pm. In attendance were Jim Norris, Nancy Pleskovitch, Carol Barton, Jordan Frei, Paul Verostko, John Poznick, Emma Betz, Tom Freeman, Jan Shaw, Ron Ross and Mark Sorice.

The regular meeting of the Ligonier Borough Council was held Thursday May 14, 2026 at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall with President Jordan Frei presiding.

Members Present: Jordan Frei, Carol Barton, Jim Norris, Nancy Pleskovitch, John Poznick, Paul Verostko, and Jr. Council Member Emma Betz.

Others Present: Secretary-Treasurer Jan Shaw, Street Supervisor Ron Ross, Mayor Tom Freeman, Solicitor Mark Sorice, Police Chief Michael Matrunics, and Fireman Phil Flemming.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A **motion** was made by John Poznick and seconded by Carol Barton to approve the minutes of April's regular meeting as presented. The motion carried with all in favor.

BILLS PAYABLE

A **motion** was made by John Poznick and seconded by Nancy Pleskovitch to approve the Bills Payable as presented. The motion carried with all in favor.

CONSENT CALENDAR

A **motion** was made by Jim Norris and seconded by Carol Barton to approve the Consent Calendar provided. The motion was carried with all in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A **motion** was made by Carol Barton and seconded by Paul Verostko to change sandwich board from Friday morning – Sunday evening to have the sign boards up every day. The motion was carried with all in favor.

A **motion** was made by Jim Norris and seconded by Nancy Pleskovitch, to appoint Jordan Frei to fulfill the remainder of Matt Smith's term and Tom Freeman will fulfill the remainder of Butch Bellas's Term on the Ligonier Valley Police Commission. The motion was carried with all in favor.

A **motion** was made by Jordan Frei and seconded by Jim Norris to appoint Paul Verostko as alternate on LVPD Commission. The motion was carried with all in favor.

A **motion** was made by John Poznick and seconded by Paul Verostko to accept the bid with Industrial Appraisal Company in the amount of \$7,680. The motion was carried with all in favor.

A **motion** was made by Jordan Frei and seconded by Carol Barton to amend the time for bagging meters on Friday's from 5:00 pm to 4:00 pm, for free parking on Saturdays. The motion was carried with all in favor.

A **motion** was made by John Poznick and seconded by Nancy Pleskovitch to approve enrollment electric contract enrollment with Penn State Facilities Engineering Institute Costars Electric Procurement Services. The motion was carried with all in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE

A **motion** was made by Jordan Frei and seconded by John Poznick to approve the detour for the Ligonier Farmers Market. The motion was carried with all in favor.

A **motion** was made by Jordan Frei and seconded by Paul Verostko to allow Ligonier Valley Chamber to host a Merchant Market the first Saturday of June, July & August, and to bag meters for the event. The motion was carried with all in favor.

A **motion** was made by Nancy Pleskovitch and seconded by John Poznick for the Chamber to host Music on Main, a small acoustic style performance that would be held the first Saturday in June, July & August. The motion was carried with all in favor.

A **motion** was made by Jordan Frei seconded by John Poznick, to have a holiday regulating, sidewalk displays & sales, from May 16 – Oct. 3, 2026, as long as it is no more than 30" from building and does not impede pedestrian traffic.

A **motion** was made by Nancy Pleskovitch and seconded by John Poznick to approve the request by Fort Ligonier to display two temporary outdoor vinyl banners from June through September 2026. The motion was carried with all in favor.

A **motion** was made by Carol Barton and seconded by John Poznick to approve meters to be bagged only during funeral visitation, Jan will negotiate the fee. The motion was carried with all in favor.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PARKS & RECREATION

Met with West Media Group, they made a proposal to market Friendship Park for fundraising purposes. Reaching out to the Mckenna Foundation. Met with school district and LYBSA and worked with them on an agreement that will go before the School Board.

TOWN HALL

None

PUBLIC WORKS

Ron & Jason will be meeting with Quigley Development, Inc. about Hazel Alley. The committee is working on a sidewalk project, while the Public Works Dept. Continues working on routine maintenance, brush, street cleaning, etc.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Paul has been available to fire & police.

FINANCE

None

PLANNING/PERSONNEL

Jr. Council Member Emma Betz will be leaving in June, new candidate has been interviewed.

SHADE TREE

None

STORMWATER

1st billing for Stormwater has been sent out to 208 residence.

NEW BUSINESS

A **motion** was made by Jim Norris and seconded by Nancy Pleskovich to suspend the livestock ordinance for Fort Ligonier to be able to have 2 sheep on property from June through mid-October for their Living History Program. The motion was carried with all in favor.

A **motion** was made by Jordan Frei and seconded by John Poznick to appoint Bill Wolford to Storm Water Authority. The motion was carried with all in favor.

A **motion** was made by Jordan Frei and seconded by John Poznick to cover the fee for any council member that would like to attend the PSAB conference. The motion was carried with all in favor.

A **motion** was made by Jordan Frei and seconded by Nancy Pleskovich to attend a joint public meeting at Ligonier Town Hall, June 24, 2026 @ 7 PM, with Ligonier Borough and Ligonier Township to discuss plans for a new police station. The motion was carried with all in favor.

A **motion** was made by Jim Norris and seconded by Carol Barton to begin adding fees for Tax Certifications/Receipt: \$25.00 and Tax Duplicates: \$5.00 paid to the order of Randal Rinier-Tax Collector. The motion was carried with all in favor.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive session was held from 8:02-8:19.

A motion was made to approve a settlement agreement with Ligonier Borough, Zoning Hearing Board, Scout LLC, Sandra Podlucky, Patricia Pulick, Dawn Metz. The motion was carried with all in favor.

COMMENDATIONS & COMMENTS

Jr Council: June will be Emma's last day as Jr. Council Person and she is happy this position is continuing.

Secretary-Treasurer: None

Street Supervisor: Ron is requesting the public avoid Diamond area on Monday after 9:30 am for line painting.

Solicitor: None

Fire Chief/Rep: Phil reported the some of the members are qualifying for Fire Fighter 1.

Engineer: None

Zoning: None

Police Chief: Reminding residents that they cannot attach signs to utility poles.

Mayor: Concerned that multiple homes in the Borough need house numbers that are visible from the street to assist fire, ambulance and police. Tom also attended the

PA 250 meeting and Ligonier will be having a great event on July 18th.

Washington Post is going to write an article on Ft. Ligonier.

Would like to thank Ligonier Township Supervisors for getting the Farmers Market going.

Saturday Free Parking is working well, and would like to thank the members of Council for being proactive.

June 16 @ 6 pm State Fire Commissioners Office will be here for a meeting it will held in Community Room

President: None

MOTION TO ADJOURN

A motion was made by John Poznick and seconded by Carol Barton to adjourn the meeting. All of Council was in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:28

Respectfully submitted,

Janette Shaw
Secretary-Treasurer