

TREMONT BOROUGH COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

July 8, 2025

ALL TO ORDER:

President Ochs opened the Tremont Borough Council Meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. at the Tremont Borough Building.

ATTENDANCE:

Council: President William Ochs, Council Members: James Scheibley, Roger Adams and Melody Strickler

Also attending: Mayor Gerald Fasnacht, Solicitor Shane Hobbs and Secretary-Treasurer Shea Lucas.

Absent: Vice-President Brian Eisenacher

* See attached sheet for a list of Citizens who were in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- Motion made by Adams, second by Ochs, approving the June 10, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes. All in favor; Minutes approved.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Attorney Shane Hobbs

- Problem Properties
 - 29 Spring Street
 - Order of Court to bring the property in compliance within 30 days
 - Marty will post property
 - Neighbors still see people coming in and out of the house
 - 314 / 312 E. Main Street
 - Realtor wants to rehab and sell it
 - Escrow check is being re-issued
 - Mayor: Property can't be sold until it passes Code or until both parties sign in front of District Justice for the new owner to bring it up to code.
- Motion made by Strickler, second by Adams to advertise the Nuisance Fire Alarm Ordinance after Solicitor and Secretary review. All in favor; Motion passed.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Gerald Fasnacht:

- The Mayor asked about his request to add on to QOL tickets. Secretary will look up what they were specifically.
- He can't tow vehicles because he isn't the Code Officer. You need to have an official badge number.
- He is getting a lot of grass complaints. He feels like it is a double-edged sword to bring Marty in for this.

PUBLIC UTILITY AND STREETS:

- Scheibley reported that the Union Street and Middle Creek road work will begin next week.
- Scheibley got the Bridge Inspection Report, he will get it to the Secretary.
- Scheibley reported that the axel on the zero-turn snapped today. The tires are really bad too, he has 7 plugs in the tires. Scheibley found tires at Newswanger's for \$212.00 each. President Ochs told him to let him know the sizes; he will look on Amazon.
- Scheibley is not happy with the mower we got from Dave Barry.

PROPERTY:

NOTHING TO REPORT

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY:

- **FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT**
 - No Report
- **TREMONT AMBULANCE REPORT**
 - No Report
- **ENGINEER REPORT (PROPERTY MAINTENANCE)**
 - President Ochs read the report submitted by Marty Sowers:
- 16 East Main St –
 - Letter completed and sent to property owner...no response
 - Sent certified and regular
- 312 and 314 Main St – NOV's sent to each property owner
 - Citations
 - Received calls from realtor. Advised that this will likely be a sale and they will rehab properties. They were advised of the requirement of permits
- 120 W. Main (Funeral Home) – I looked at this. The downspout is discharging directly onto the public sidewalk. Does the borough have an ordinance explicitly prohibiting downspouts to discharge onto public sidewalk. This is a typical occurrence. If the borough.
 - Letter drafted at the Borough's direction.
- 110 W. Main Street – attempting new NOV and will address to both addresses (west main st and goldmine road)
 - Prepping for citation
- 233 W. Laurel Street
 - QOL ticket issued – will follow up tomorrow morning. If not compliant will issue citation
 - Prepping citation
- 68 Spring St – received complaint. will be inspecting tomorrow AM for farm animals. If farm animals are observed, will follow up with NOV.
 - No farm animals observed. Only a dog
- Working on letters for water shutoffs from SCMA's list
- Completed PEMA self-assessment checklist and participated in Teams Meeting for Community Assistance Contact with Ken Roberts of PEMA

RECREATION & EDUCATION:

- The Secretary read the report submitted by John Poff for the Playground Project:
- *Tremont Park Playground Project (DCNR Grant):*
 - Arthur "Pat" Aungst & Sons has ordered the playground equipment and will mobilize approximately two to three weeks prior to the playground equipment delivery. I am anticipating work starting around the beginning of September. Note, there is a long lead time on the pavilion. Based on the late equipment deliveries, the Borough will probably have to give the Contractor a time extension till the end of the year.

- **Stormwater Collection System Project (DCED Grant):**

LHAI has started preliminary engineering work on the project.

- Scheibley is in contact with PPL to get the pole moved
- President Ochs thinks there should be electricity in the pavilion

- The people interested in starting a Pool Committee addressed Council:

- Their Treasurer, Paulette Yuschock quit, Emily Fisher will replace her.
- They had questions about the Pool Bank Account, the Pool Electric, the Feasibility Study, which got out of line so the Mayor stopped it and ejected Laurie Bender, a representative for the Pool Committee, from the meeting. Solicitor Hobbs recommended that they submit a right-to-know request.

TREASURER REPORT: Treasurer Report for June 2025

Account	Type	Name	Memo/Description	Income	Expense
<u>MID PENN GENERAL ACCOUNT</u>	Expense	MID PENN BANK	Payment to Note A Obligation Loan		2,604.40
	Deposit	TREMONT BOROUGH TAX COLLECTOR	Real Estate Taxes Collected May 16 - May 31	492.00	
	Deposit	TREMONT BOROUGH TAX COLLECTOR	Per Capita Taxes Collected May 16 - May 31	25.00	
	Deposit	TREMONT BOROUGH TAX COLLECTOR	Real Estate Taxes Collected June 1 - June 15	1,888.72	
	Deposit	TREMONT BOROUGH TAX COLLECTOR	Per Capita Taxes Collected June 1 - June 15	50.00	
	Deposit	COUNTY OF SCHUYLKILL	Delinquent Road & School Taxes	4,041.74	
	Expense	AMTRUST NORTH AMERICA	Worker's Comp Partial Premium		11,424.00
	Expense	INTUIT QUICKBOOKS	Computer Program Subscription with Payroll		319.06
	Check	TREMONT MINI MART	Truck Fuel		80.00
	Expense	ADOBE	Computer Program Subscription		42.38
	Check	JAMES SCHEIBLEY	Reimb: Cleaning Supplies		29.68
	Check	GEORGE HOVEROCKER	Reimbursement for Supplies		85.67
	Expense	FRONTIER	Phone & Internet Service		284.71
	Expense	SCMA	Water & Sewer Service		1,482.84
	Expense	PPL	Electric		2,943.89
	Expense	ZITO MEDIA	Garage Internet		23.50
	Check	POTTS & MONGER SANITATION	Garbage Collection		85.00
	Check	BERKHEIMER	BT & LST Commissions		625.81
	Check	EHRLICH	Pest Control		255.40
	Expense	GO DADDY.COM	Old Website		155.88
	Expense	MICROSOFT.COM	Computer Program Subscription		209.88
	Expense	AMAZON	Weed Killer, Building Supplies, Cleaning Supplies		311.59
	Check	DUMPSTER RETAINER	Dumpster Permit Retainers		50.00
	Expense	PETTY CASH	Replenishment		50.00
	Deposit	MONTHLY DEPOSITS	Regular Monthly Deposits	7,332.52	
	Interest	MID PENN BANK	Interest Credit - Interest	14.85	
TOTAL - MID PENN GENERAL ACCOUNT				\$ 13,844.83	\$ 21,063.69

PAYROLL	TOTAL - PAYROLL COST		\$ 15,525.52
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<u>SWIMMING POOL ACCT</u>	Expense	PPL ELECTRIC UTILITIES	Pool Electric		25.18
	Interest	INTEREST	Interest Credit - Interest	0.07	
	TOTAL - SWIMMING POOL ACCT			\$ 0.07	\$ 25.18
<u>NEW EQUIPT FUND ACCT</u>	Interest	INTEREST	Interest Credit - Interest	0.01	
	TOTAL - NEW EQUIPT FUND ACCT			\$ 0.01	\$ 0.00
<u>DCNR PLAYGROUND ACCT</u>	Interest	INTEREST	Interest Credit - Interest	0.76	
	TOTAL - DCNR PLAYGROUND ACCT			\$ 0.76	\$ 0.00
<u>PLGIT GENERAL ACCT</u>	Deposit	BERKHEIMER	ET/LST Disbursements	11,925.85	
	Interest	INTEREST	Interest Credit - Interest	1,369.14	
	TOTAL - PLGIT GENERAL ACCT			\$ 13,294.99	\$ 0.00
<u>FIRE DEPT FUND</u>	Check	MARS DIESEL	KME Truck Inspection		110.95
	Interest	INTEREST	Interest Credit - Interest	168.70	
	TOTAL - FIRE DEPT. FUND ACCT			\$ 168.70	\$ 110.95
<u>HIGHWAY AID FUND (LIQUID FUELS)</u>	Check	TREMONT MINI MART	Truck Fuel		448.00
	Interest	INTEREST	Interest Credit - Interest	141.52	
	TOTAL - HIGHWAY AID FUND (LIQUID FUELS ACCT)			\$ 141.52	\$ 448.00

- Motion made by Adams, second by Scheibley, approving the June 2025 Treasurer Report. All in favor, Minutes approved.

FINANCE:

- Nothing to report

OLD BUSINESS:

- Nothing to report

NEW BUSINESS:

- Community Yard Sale will be Saturday, September 6, 2025 from 8 am – 2 pm.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION:

- Kathy Krammes
 - Are inspections supposed to be done when someone buys a house in Tremont? Who is responsible for paying for these inspections?
 - Council: Yes inspections should be done. The property owner is responsible for the inspection costs.
 - Mayor: The inspections would be done on these properties if the Health Officer would do his job.
 - Solicitor: No matter if there is an inspection or not, it is all but impossible to stop the sale of a home.

ADJOURNMENT:

- Motion made by Strickler, second by Adams, to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m.; All in favor. Meeting Adjourned.

ATTEST:

PRESIDENT:

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Kathleen Krammer	19.
2. Trevor Kader	20.
3. Denise Krammer	21.
4. Jacqueline Nestoroff	22.
5. Emily Yurko	23.
6. Laurie Bender	24.
7. Christi Dunn	25.
8. Kathy Adams	26.
9. Sherry Huntzinger	27.
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