

**Green Lane Borough
Green Lane, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania
Borough Council Meeting
March 12, 2026
Minutes**

The Borough Council met on the above date in the Borough Office in the Green Lane Fire Company building. President Brian Carpenter called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: President Brian Carpenter, Vice President Gerald Godshall and Council Members Jack Findley and Micheal Glass.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Darren Landis.

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT: Mayor Rick Stamper, Engineer Josh Gross, Solicitor David Comer, Code Enforcement and Zoning Officer John Membrino, and Secretary/Treasurer Mary T. Garber.

OFFICIALS ABSENT: None.

MOTION ON MINUTES: Councilman Godshall made a motion to accept the minutes of the February 12, 2026, regular Council meeting. Second by Councilman Findley. Motion passed.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

- The Green Lane-Marlboro Lions Club will hold its annual Easter Egg Hunt in Isaac Smith Park on Saturday, April 4, 2026. He asked the park committee about sprucing up the park. Members of the committee said residents were not cleaning up after their dogs, and that should be addressed.
- The Mayor will be working with the fire company to schedule an American Red Cross Blood Drive in the Borough.
- Council discussed having "Brake Retarders Prohibited" signs put up coming into town.

PUBLIC SAFETY/EMERGENCY REPORTS: Public safety reports are on file.

VISITORS: Borough residents David Whetstone, Kirk MacMullen, Mike Tierney and Kris Malysz; property owner Seth Bryan.

VISITORS' COMMENTS: None.

SOLICITORS REPORT:

- The owner of the former ambulance station building has accepted the Borough's offer of \$300,000 to purchase the building. An Agreement of Sale was reviewed by the Solicitor and Council President, and changes were made to the Agreement of Sale. Assuming, among other things, the Borough is satisfied with its due diligence review, it obtains the necessary financing, and it obtains the needed approval from the DCED, settlement on the purchase of the property by the Borough would be on July 15, 2026.

- Councilman Godshall made a motion to acknowledge that the Education Department of Fox Rothschild, LLP, the appointed Solicitor, will become the Education Group of McNees, Wallace & Nurick, LLC, effective April 1, 2026. No changes are being made to the terms of the representation, current rate structure, or personnel. The Borough Council President is authorized to sign documents necessary to recognize the change. Second by Councilman Findley. Motion approved.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT: (Report on file)

- A permit was issued for new sidewalk to the owners of 120 Gravel Pike.
- A snow and ice inspection was completed, and all residents did well.
- President Carpenter asked Mr. Membrino to start citing the owner of 115 Gravel Pike every day for bamboo violations until the bamboo is removed.

ENGINEER’S REPORT: (Report on file)

- The contractor has received delivery of the light fixtures for the Route 29 Sidewalk and Lighting (Green Street to Main Street). Installation will be scheduled as weather permits.
- Boundary surveys of Phase 1 parcels in the Hurricane Ida Disaster Relief – Home Buyout project are in progress.
- A bidding schedule for choosing the contractor for demolition of the three properties acquired through the FEMA buyout program has been developed. The advertisement for bids be published in the local newspaper shortly, and the bid will be awarded at the May Council meeting.
- The engineer is evaluating if the remaining funds in the MTF paving grant can be used to complete roadwork on Macoby Street.
- Two of the ADA ramps that were recently installed have raised up a bit and will be addressed when the weather improves. In the meantime, caution paint should be applied to the raised sections.
- Councilman Findley made a motion to pass a resolution designating the month of April as “Pennsylvania 811 Safe Digging Month.” Second by Councilman Godshall. Motion approved.
- The Engineer will start design work on a project to install curbs, sidewalk and lights at the trailhead on Route 29. A fully executed grant agreement for \$191,167 was received at the Borough office from the DCED MTF program.

REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

- A regional electronic recycling program will be held on July 25, 2026, at Camelot Park in Upper Hanover Township at a cost of \$380 per municipality.

BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION:

- Councilman Godshall made a motion to appoint the following to the Brough Planning Commission: Kris Malysz, Brian Carpenter, Mike Tierney and Rose Discipio (alternate). Second by Councilman Glass. Motion approved. A Planning Commission meeting will be scheduled and advertised for the end of this month or beginning of April or held as previously advertised.

SEWER AUTHORITY: (Complete report on file)

ROAD COMMITTEE:

- Councilman Glass asked if repairs would be made to drainage grates along Main Street. Councilman Carpenter said the Brough will try to work with PennDOT when it repaves Main Street.

PARK COMMITTEE: Some ash trees were removed on Green Street.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- Councilman Godshall made a motion to accept the treasurer's report and pay all bills. Second by Councilman Glass. Motion approved.
- Councilman Godshall made a motion to approve appointment of Stefano Slack as auditor of record following its merger with Kimmel Lorah and Associates. Second by Councilman Glass. Motion approved.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

- HMGP buyout update
 - The Borough took possession of the McCuskins Properties LLC properties on Friday, February 20, 2026. Tenants are moving out slowly.

NEW BUSINESS:

- The Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy's annual creek cleanup will take place on Saturday, April 11, from 9 a.m. to noon. There will be several cleanup sites in the Borough.
- Council members were asked to sign off that they did the annual review of the Borough sexual abuse policy as directed by the Borough's insurance company.
- Emergency Management coordinator Lynn Bergey has applied for an Act 147 grant on behalf of the Emergency Operations Center for Marlborough Township and Green Lane Borough.
- Marlborough Township asked if Green Lane would like to share the cost of renting a street cleaner operated by Marlborough's staff to clean area streets.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Councilman Godshall made a motion to adjourn. Second by Councilman Findley. Motion passed and so ordered.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary T. Garber, Borough Secretary