Green Lane Borough
Green Lane, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania
Borough Council Meeting
May 14, 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, Darren Landis and Micheal Glass.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT: Mayor Rick Stamper, Loren Szczesny, Esquire, Code Enforcement and Zoning Officer John Membrino, and Secretary/Treasurer Mary T. Garber.

OFFICIALS ABSENT: Solicitor David Comer.

MOTION ON MINUTES: Councilman Godshall made a motion to accept the minutes of the April 9, 2026, regular Council meeting. Second by Councilman Glass. Motion passed.

MAYOR'S REPORT: (complete report on file)

- **The Mayor participated in the Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy's stream cleanup event on Saturday, April 11, from 9 a.m. to noon along Lumber Street.**
- **The Mayor gave a report on his attendance at the Montgomery County Borough's Association dinner on April 23, 2026, in West Conshohocken. The guest speaker was Tessa Robinson from the Valley Forge Tourism & Convention Board (full report on file).**
- **Mayor Stamper was a guest speaker at the Green Lane-Marlborough Lions Club meeting at the Loft at Sweetwater. He discussed plans to renovate the Isaac Smith Park facilities. The Lions Club discussed donating the old scout cabin to the Borough since it is no longer in use. He also said the Lions Club will donate a bench to place in the park.**
- **The Upper Perkiomen Valley Memorial Day Parade is scheduled for Monday, May 25, 2026, starting at 10 a.m. at the Pennsburg Fire Company and ending at the Goschenhoppen UCC Cemetery where a memorial ceremony will be held at 11 a.m. Light refreshments will follow at the VFW Post 5954 in Red Hill.**

VISITORS: Borough residents David Whetstone, Kirk MacMullen, Ken Brewer and Kris Malysz.

VISITORS' COMMENTS:

- **Mr. Brewer asked for an explanation about why the Borough tax collector was being replaced. President Carpenter said the current tax collector Blaine Bergey did not run for the position; he was elected by write-in votes. He said he would do it until the Borough could find a replacement. The Red Hill Borough tax collector Lori Horning is willing to collect Green Lane's taxes (see motion below). President Carpenter said that this**

arrangement will continue until Mrs. Horning's current term expire. If anyone in the Borough is interested in running for the office of tax collector, they can do so for the term beginning in 2030.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

- **A motion was made by Councilman Godshall and seconded by Councilman Findley to accept the resignation of tax collector, Blaine Bergey, as of May 31, 2026, and approve a resolution adopting an agreement creating a joint tax collection district of Green Lane Borough and Red Hill Borough. Motion passed.**
- **Councilman Findley made a motion to approve advertising of an ordinance amendment proposed by GLMJA intended to effectively regulate and control all non-domestic wastewater discharges and issuance of associated permits with regard to discharge wastewater which comprise wastes other than domestic sewage. Second by Councilman Godshall. Motion approved.**
- **A hearing is scheduled for May 21, 2026, in the Montgomery County Court of Common Pleas to hear appeals from Atlas Holdings Group LLC regarding citations for bamboo ordinance violations.**

CODE ENFORCEMENT: (Complete report on file)

- **Permits were issued to Horizon Signs for a new sign at 120 Gravel Pike for V8 Billiards and to Reinford Contracting for curbing and sidewalk replacement at 204 Walnut Street.**
- **Mr. Membrino prepared and submitted six non-traffic citations against Atlas Holding Group LLC to the District Court for violations of the bamboo ordinance.**

ENGINEER'S REPORT: (Complete report on file)

- **The contractor for the Route 29 Sidewalk and Lighting Project (Green Street to Main Street) had some delays due to equipment issues which have been resolved. Installation of lights is scheduled for this week.**
- **Michael Glass made a motion to accept the low bid from Stonewood Landshaping, Inc., of Red Hill, in the amount of $72,000 to demolish the structures on the five parcels acquired by the Borough through the FEMA/PEMA HMGP buyout program. Second by Councilman Godshall. Motion approved.**
- **Route 29 Pedestrian Improvements – Highlands Trail Connection Perkiomen Trailhead Sidewalk and Lighting Survey work is complete. Design and permitting work will follow.**
- **Councilman Findley made a motion to approve a change order for the 2025 Road Program (paving project) to pave Macoby Street. Second by Councilman Godshall.**
- **Before issuing a permit for the NS Development Partners warehouse project, primarily in Marlborough Township but partially in Green Lane, PennDOT requires that the Borough has the opportunity to comment on the application. To date, the Borough has not received copies of the permit application, plans or Traffic Impact Study from the developer. The Borough has also requested and received copies of the NPDES**

stormwater permit application and will have opportunity to comment on the application after a draft copy of the permit has been issued by DEP.

- **A scoping meeting was held between the owners of the former Yoder's property and PennDOT to review parking and traffic flow issues.**

BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION: No action.

REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

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

SEWER AUTHORITY: (Complete report on file)

- **The Borough Solicitor reviewed the proposed sewer ordinance amendment submitted by the Green Lane Marlborough Joint Authority. (See action taken under SOLICITOR'S REPORT.)**
- **The GLMJA Board approved using XPRESS PA to allow customers to pay bills online with no transaction fee.**

ROAD COMMITTEE:

- **PennDOT will check the condition of the bridge on Lumber Street after a resident reported damage to the structure.**

PARK COMMITTEE:

- **Fence repairs are needed around the pond at Isaac Smith Park, and a tree needs to be removed.**

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- **Councilman Godshall made a motion to accept the treasurer's report and pay all bills. Second by Councilman Glass. Motion approved.**

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Buyout Program Update:**
  - **All tenants have left the buildings.**
  - **Demolition should be completed by the end of July.**
  - **The Borough was notified that funding is available to purchase other flood-damaged buildings.**
- **Ambulance building update:**
  - **Building inspection completed.**
  - **Phase One Environmental Review completed.**
  - **On schedule to settle on July 15, 2026.**

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Councilman Glass asked for paint for the curbing in front of his house. President Carpenter said he will provide the paint.**
- **Councilman Findley and President Carpenter will split the cost of replacing flags to mount throughout the Borough.**

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

Respectfully submitted,

Mary T. Garber

Secretary/Treasurer