

**Green Lane Borough
Green Lane, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania
Borough Council Meeting
October 9, 2025
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 Member Jack Findley.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Darren Landis.

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT: Mayor Lynn Bergey, 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 September 11, 2025, Council meeting. Second by Councilman Findley. Motion passed.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Trick or Treating will be held in the Borough on Friday, October 31, 2025, from 6 to 8 p.m.

- The following events were previously approved by Borough Council for Fire Police participation in October:
 - WMGK Big Bad Bonfire, Spring Mount Ski Lodge, October 11, 2025, 3:30 -10:30 p.m.
 - Tylersport Fire Company Haunted Hayride, Friday and Saturday, October 10 and 11; Friday and Saturday, October 17 and 18, 7 to 10 p.m.
 - Upper Perk Halloween Parade, Red Hill Fire Company, Sunday, October 26, at 6 p.m.
 - Bally Borough Halloween Parade, October 20, at 7 p.m.
- The Borough received a letter of congratulations from the Borough of Pennsburg for Green Lane's 150th Anniversary celebration.
- Recognition was received from the Pennsylvania House and Senate and the Montgomery County Commissioners regarding the Borough's 150th anniversary and the new PA Highlands Trail connection.
- Mayor Bergey and her husband Scott donated to the Borough a framed map of the Borough from 1893.

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PUBLIC SAFETY/EMERGENCY REPORTS: Police, ambulance and fire company reports on file.

VISITORS: Borough residents Nancy Harvey, Rick Stamper; Town and Country reporter Mary Gibbs Kershner.

VISITORS' COMMENTS: Mr. Stamper acknowledged the success of the Borough's 150th anniversary celebration and thanked everyone involved.

SOLICITORS REPORT:

- Mr. Comer also commended everyone for a job well done on the Borough's 150th celebration.
- As Jonathan Corey Guntz submitted his resignation from the Borough Council effective September 30, 2025, a new council member must be appointed by resolution. A special Borough Council public meeting will be held on October 30, 2025, at 7 p.m. to appoint someone to complete Guntz's term.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT: (Report on file)

- Action will be taken by the District Court against Atlas Holdings for bamboo violations at 115 Main Street.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: (Report on file)

- Light posts for the pedestrian improvement project on Route 29 are scheduled for delivery by October 31, 2025.

REGIONAL PLANNING: No Report.

SEWER AUTHORITY: (Complete report on file)

- Green Lane Marlborough Joint Authority has requested it be on the Borough Council's agenda for the Thursday, November 13, meeting to discuss moving forward with an Act 537 plan.

ROAD COMMITTEE: None.

PARK COMMITTEE:

- An Eagle Scout candidate has asked to do a project in Isaac Smith Park, so he would like to meet with the park committee to present his project ideas. The Borough Secretary will arrange a meeting of the park committee.
- The Green Lane-Marlboro Lions Club has put together some plans to make improvements at Isaac Smith Park. These plans will be discussed at the park committee meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Councilman Godshall made a motion to approve the treasurer's report and pay all bills. Second by Councilman Findley. Motion approved.

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CORRESPONDENCE: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **HMGP: FEMA has requested uncommitted funds from the buyout program be returned.**
- **150th Borough Anniversary: Cash income from the 150th celebration \$18,130, expenses as of today are \$7,506. Some invoices, including Robbins Septic, are still due to come in. In-kind donations totaled \$3,000. Some of this income has been used throughout the summer to pay for mowing, dumpster service, porta potties and electric in the park.**

NEW BUSINESS: President Carpenter presented a preliminary budget for 2026 for the Council members to review. He said acquisition of the old ambulance building is still being considered. An increase in taxes would be necessary to make that work. In addition, the preliminary budget includes a tax increase to be restricted to supporting emergency services, including the fire company and ambulance service. The budget will be discussed at the next Council meeting on November 13.

The next Limerick Generating Station Emergency Drill will be held on November 18.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Mary T. Garber, Borough Secretary