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MAYFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL
Wednesday, July 8, 2026
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 739 Penn Avenue, Mayfield, PA at 7:00 p.m. by President Diana Campbell followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

In attendance were Council members Wendy Bochnovich, Diana Campbell, Tom Hartman, Mary Rosler, Dennis Ross, Jennifer Rossi, and Tiffany Smith. Also present were Mayor Alexander Chelik and Fire Chief Joseph Tomcavage.

Public Input

Administration – Diana Campbell

Motion by Mary Rosler to approve the minutes of June 10, 2026. Second by Tom Hartman. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Wendy Bochnovich to accept the Treasurer's report for June 2026. Second by Dennis Ross. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Mary Rosler to pay all bills listed. Second by Jennifer Rossi. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Diana Campbell to submit the proposed Mayfield Borough Zoning Ordinance, at least 45 days prior to a public hearing to the Lackawanna County Regional Planning Commission for review and comment, in accordance with Section 607 (e) of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code. The 45-day public review period will begin on August 3, 2026, and conclude on September 16, 2026. The proposed ordinance will be available for public viewing on the Mayfield Borough website and on the Lackawanna County website with instructions on how to submit comments. Second by Wendy Bochnovich. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Diana Campbell to authorize the Borough Council to hold a public hearing in accordance with Section 608 of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code on October 14, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. to obtain public comment on and consider adoption of the Mayfield Borough Zoning Ordinance at the Borough Council's October 14, 2026, monthly meeting immediately following the public hearing at 7 p.m. Second by Tiffany Smith. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Diana Campbell to authorize the Lackawanna County Department of Planning, in accordance with Sections 107 and 610 of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, and on behalf of Mayfield Borough, to advertise in the Times-Tribune on Wednesday, September 16, 2026, and Wednesday, September 23, 2026 notice of Mayfield Borough's intent to hold a public hearing and meeting to consider

adoption of the Mayfield Borough Zoning Ordinance. In accordance with the Northern Lackawanna Planning Association Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreement, the cost of the advertisement will be the responsibility of Lackawanna County. Second by Dennis Ross. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Wendy Bochnovich to pay off the paving loan for $11,097.64 from the general fund and then replace from the debt fund as tax money is paid. Second by Jennifer Rossi. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Wendy Bochnovich to approve Change Order #3 for the Century Development Mine Reclamation Project. Second by Jennifer Rossi. All in favor, motion carried.

Buildings – Jennifer Rossi

Jennifer reported that the rooftop on the EMS building was reevaluated by Jordan Kleinbauer. Jordan is working on sending Jennifer an estimate so that it could be used to file for an LSA grant.

The gas line for the DPW garage was filed. Jennifer was told that it would take a few months to get everything situated and hooked up.

Motion by Jennifer Rossi for a resolution for 180-day moratorium on all renewable energies and data centers in order to fortify our existing ordinances (Resolution 2026-18). The resolution was discussed and decided against.

Motion by Jennifer Rossi to amend the agenda. Second by Dennis Ross. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Wendy Bochnovich to have a special meeting on the Solar Ordinance. The date will be Monday July 13, 2026, at 8 p.m. Second by Dennis Ross. All in favor, motion carried.

Flood Control – Wendy Bochnovich

Motion by Wendy Bochnovich to have the vegetation on the river sprayed if the water is low enough in the fall, not to exceed $1,100 to stay within budget. Second by Mary Rosler. All in favor, motion carried.

Wendy reported that the levee was inspected on June 24th by Leon Skinner. She said that he always speaks highly of Mayfield borough because we have so many people who volunteer to help. Wendy thanked Serge Bochnovich for cutting the entire levee with the slope mower.

The audit for liquid fuels was done on June 22nd . Wendy received the report from Eileen Rosen, the auditor, and she said that everything looked good.

Playgrounds, Parks, and Athletic Complex – Dennis Ross

Dennis reported that the softball field is almost done. Paul Natishak started moving piles of dirt to flatten out.

Dennis reported that he met with Christina Phillips from Wayne Memorial Hospital on Thursday, June 25th. Christina presented Dennis's presentation to James Pettinato, Chief Executive Officer for the Wayne Memorial Health System, the following Monday, June 29th. Christina thought the sun safety part of the Healthy Kids' Initiative was very important and gave Dennis ideas to implement it. Dennis wanted to purchase sunscreen dispensers for the parks around Mayfield but Christina lead him in a direction to see if he can get sunscreen manufacturers to donate to the borough.

Dennis reported that he had a zoom call with Debra Loggia from the United States Tennis Association on Thursday, June 25th at 1p.m. Debra recommended that Dennis get in contact with Sports Courts of PA to get more information on what he can do with our tennis courts. He had a meeting the following day Friday, June 26th with Sports Courts and will have more information for the August meeting.

Dennis mentioned the Bird Town Pennsylvania Designation. He explained that it is a formation of a parks and recs committee. Bird Town is a nonprofit organization. They set up initiatives within the borough and it will benefit Mayfield with grants. How the organization works is they have a sequence of levels and the borough can move up from level to level over time. When the borough applies for a grant, they can state that they are at a particular level in Bird Town USA and it gives Mayfield Borough a status that shows the commitments the borough has made.

Motion by Dennis Ross to have a family movie night August 1st at the athletic complex at sunset. The movie night was discussed and council agreed that it would be a better option to have the movie night at Memorial Park in Mayfield instead of at the baseball field. Second by Wendy Bochnovich. All in favor, motion carried.

Public Safety, Grants – Mary Rosler

Fire Chief Joe Tomcavage reported that there were 26 fire calls reported and acted upon for the month of June 2026.

Fire Chief Joe asked for a copy of the policy for the volunteer fire companies.

Zoning officer Jason Smith reported that there were no reports for the month of June.

Mary reported that she met with Chief Joseph Perechinsky and his biggest request is that council works on getting the Mayfield police department body cameras. Mary put out several letters for information. She is still waiting for responses.

Mary reported that Casella came in as the lowest responsible bidder for the garbage contract. Mayfield Borough will be signing a 5-year contract.

Planning Commission report – Mayor Chelik

Mayor Chelik stated there was a planning commission meeting on July 1st. Sean Langan informed the mayor that he would be available to come in for our next meeting to discuss his project which is located near exit 6 on the Casey Highway.

Rental Inspections – Tiffany Smith

Tiffany reported that she had her rental inspection ordinance letter written up and is planning on sending them out before the month of August.

Streets and Public Works – Tom Hartman

Tom reported that on July 8th he had a zoom meeting with April Hannon and Tony Grizzanti from KBA about the TASA sidewalk program that is going to be happening at the Lakeland Elementary School. Tony said he is still working on paperwork for PennDOT. By the time the paperwork is filled out and advertised and contracted it will be too late to do it this year. It will be put in the paperwork that the project will happen next June 2027.

Tom is still waiting for the railroad bridge signs to be delivered.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Alexander J. Chelik

Police Chief Joe Perechinsky reported 369 calls for the month of May.

There will be a fundraiser for veterans at Tasty Scoops on Saturday July 11th from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Senator Brown will present a flag at 2 p.m.

The mayor reported that Chief Joe is having two audits done, one by the attorney general's office and the other is by the state. They are still in the process of working on them.

The mayor met with Jam Works, and they had some questions about mineral rights. Jam Works has a firm in North Philadelphia that sells their robotics all over the world.

The mayor got an email from Lauren Berry who is a paralegal. She wants to know what to do with an undedicated alleyway between Hudson Street and Delaware Street from Ash to the Jermyn line. The mayor told her that she can petition the borough to vacate that alleyway.

The mayor complimented Nicholas Racht, the commander of the American Legion, and the Mayfield Borough Council for the successful 4th of July celebration that was held in the Memorial Park followed by refreshments.

Act 32 Report – Mayor Alexander J. Chelik

The mayor reported there was no meeting.

Solicitor's Report- Robert P. Sheils III

Council took a moment to welcome our new Solicitor Robert P. Sheils III.

Old Business

Nothing to report

New Business

Nothing to report

Public Input

Jimmy Perry thanked Dennis Ross for being the only council member to use their microphone.

Council went into executive session at 8:44 p.m. and came back at 8:57 p.m.

Motion to adjourn by Diana Campbell. Second by Mary Rosler. All in favor, motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.