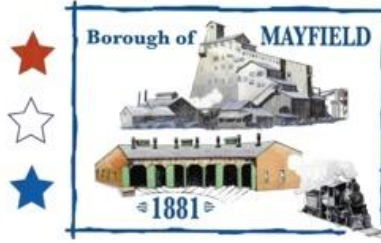


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MAYFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL Wednesday, November 12, 2025

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

In attendance were Council members Wendy Bochnovich, Bridget Boettcher, Tiffany Casey, Tom Hartman, Mary Rosler, and Jennifer Rossi. Also present were Mayor Alexander Chelik, Atty. Owen Coleman, and Fire Chief Joseph Tomcavage. Diana Campbell was absent.

Public Input

There was no public input.

Administration- Wendy Bochnovich

Motion by Mary Rosler to approve the minutes of October 8, 2025. Second by Jennifer Rossi. Passed 6-0.

Motion by Jennifer Rossi to accept the Treasurer's report for October 2025. Second by Tiffany Casey. Passed 6-0.

Motion by Tiffany Casey to pay all bills listed and all others mentioned. Second by Jennifer Rossi. Passed 6-0. There was a discussion on paying the Department of Labor and Industry 2026 Solvency Fee of \$856.43. The purpose of this is to relieve the borough of charges for benefits that are paid to a claimant in case of certain employment changes. It was decided to pay this bill.

Motion by Jennifer Rossi to transfer \$10,000 from the street Improvement fund to the General Fund to pay unexpected bills for technology. Second by Mary Rosler. Passed 6-0.

Streets and Public Works – Tom Hartman

Motion by Tom Hartman for a resolution to apply for a statewide LSA grant for a paving project. **(Resolution #2025-17)**. Second by Mary Rosler. Passed 6-0.

He is also working on the clearance signs for the railroad bridges.

Our liquid fuels allocation of \$54,593.60 will be deposited on March 1, 2026, as long as the proper reports are filed. That includes MS-965 which is the report on the Actual Use of State Funds. It is based on the mileage of 7.82 and the population of 1763 as we reported for January 1, 2025. This allocation could possibly change depending on the taxes collected for the rest of this year.

2024 \$54,659.85 2025 \$56,681.92

Buildings and Parks – Jennifer Rossi

Jennifer said the tire recycling event on Wednesday, October 15, 2025, went well. Volunteers working at the event were Ron Ryczak, Matt Campbell, and Gabriel Collins. Tanner Christopher also worked for an hour. \$629 was collected and deposited.

Motion by Jennifer Rossi for a resolution to apply for a statewide LSA grant to finish the Department of Public Works garage. Second by Mary Rosler. Passed 6-0. **(Resolution #2025-18)** This grant was submitted one year ago, but because of no state budget, awards have not yet been announced.

Athletic Complex and Playgrounds – Mary Rosler

Mary Rosler reported that we are still waiting on the playground grants to see where we fit in with new grant information.

Public Safety – Bridget Boettcher

Bridget Boettcher had no report on the police cameras.

Fire Chief Joe Tomcavage reported that there were 14 fire calls received and acted on for the month of October 2025.

He also requested the appointment of a new Deputy Borough Fire Chief, Jason Smith.

Motion by Bridget Boettcher to appoint Jason Smith as Deputy Borough Fire Chief. Second by Jennifer Rossi. Passed 6-0. This will be effective January 1, 2026. Mayor Chelik will swear him in.

Zoning Officer Jason Smith's report showed 3 zoning permits for \$150 and 2 UCC permits issued for \$909 for October. An updated September report showed 2 zoning permits for \$150 and 6 UCC permits for \$5,165.66.

Dan Summa canceled a project and NEIC told us to give him the reimbursement, and they would credit our next bill.

Planning Commission Report – Mayor Chelik

Motion by Tom Hartman to approve the Mayfield Planning Commission's recommendation to approve the Comprehensive Draft Plan to initiate a 45-day review period as required by the PA Municipal Planning Code. Second by Jennifer Rossi. Passed 6-0.

Motion by Tiffany Casey to advertise **Ordinance #2025-14** amending the Mayfield Zoning Ordinance, which was reenacted December 13, 2000, to define and add specific requirements for Data Centers and Data Center Accessory Uses as recommended by the Planning Commission, for adoption at our December meeting. Second by Mary Rosler. Passed 6-0.

Rental Inspections – Tiffany Casey

Tiffany reported that she is going to start a list of rental properties by using the 2024 tax records. Mayor Chelik said he would get the list to her.

Flood Control – Wendy Bochnovich

Wendy reported that she, Ron Ryczak, and Len Jaskowiec met with Tony Grizzanti on Monday, October 13. Tony said that KBA has brought in another engineering firm that specializes in water issues. He has been in contact with Lisa Cicio Dolphin at Colliers Engineering and Design and will be setting up a meeting with her to discuss the levee and the \$2.3 million in Congressionally Directed Spending Mayfield has been awarded but has not been able to get a plan approved.

On October 14, she submitted the letter that PEMA and FEMA asked for requesting a change in the scope of work and an extension for that funding but said that due to not knowing what the plan was yet, a budget was impossible.

The follow-up online meeting was held with PEMA, and Colliers Engineering on October 23. In attendance were Wendy, Ron Ryczak, Mayor Chelik, Jim Perry, Len Jaskowiec, Dennis Ross, Tony Grizzanti, Rick Deal (PEMA), Tom Hughes (PEMA), Kelsey Widdick (PEMA), Brian Langan (Rep. Bresnahan's office), and several members from Colliers Engineering. The main discussion was about the Poplar Street bridge and its upstream and downstream effects. Tony is gathering the maps and reports needed by Colliers and will forward them. They said they are going to start with hydraulic issues. We will have another meeting with them when their report is complete. There is a mid-January deadline to have this project plan submitted for approval to change from a construction project to scoping.

She also reported that we received a quote from InfraHorse to repair and line our 9 levee pipes. She then sent an email response to Bob Graves from DEP about fixing them and requested a meeting. Since they are the ones who inspect the pipes, we want to be sure what we do is approved by them. This meeting was held on October 29. In attendance were Wendy, Mayor Chelik, Tony Grizzanti, Ron Ryczak, Jim Perry, Len Jaskowiec, Bob Graves (DEP), Jon Conville (DEP), Narayan Bastola (DEP), Corey Davenport (DEP), Leon Skinner (Army Corps of Engineers), and Kelsey Widdick (DEP). We were told that according to our video pipe inspection there is at least one pipe that must be completely replaced. They also informed us of another method by which pipes were repaired that they suggested we investigate. We will then have another meeting. Kelsey said that since the project is being changed to scoping, no funds will be able to be used for construction. We were told that some appropriate grants will be opening in the spring, and we should apply for them to pay for the pipe repairs. The flood committee will be meeting to discuss all of this on Friday.

Wendy also reported that on October 15, she and Tony walked along the proposed sidewalk route on Lackawanna Avenue to inform residents about changes that would be made. Some were home, some were not. She composed letters to each of the 3 remaining residents and delivered them on Saturday, October 18. She was able to speak to one of them about a water issue. It was requested that they contact Tony at KBA.

On November 3, a constructability review meeting was held for the sidewalk project. In attendance were Wendy, Tony Grizzanti, April Hannon (PennDOT Project Manager), John Pfeiffer (PennDOT Asset Manager), Derek Baigis (Senior Civil Engineer Supervisor, Transportation), and 11 others associated with PennDOT construction. Tony presented the plans and explained a few problems that had to be taken care of, such as a few trees that must be cut down and a fence that must be moved. The project is scheduled to be awarded by March with a spring start.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Alexander J. Chelik

Police Chief Joe Perechinsky reported 347 calls for the month of October.

Act 32 Report – Mayor Alexander J. Chelik

Mayor Chelik reported a 6.19% increase in Earned Income Tax collection from January to October, 2025, compared to the same time period in 2023.

Solicitor's Report – Atty. Owen M. Coleman

Atty. Coleman had no report

Old Business

None

New Business

Motion by Jennifer Rossi to approve the change order for the AML (Abandoned Mine Lands) grant as recommended by the grant administrator Ron Ryczak and Kaufman engineering. Second by Tom Hartman. Passed 6-0.

Motion by Jennifer Rossi for a resolution to adopt the tentative budget for 2026. Second by Mary Rosler. Passed 6-0. **(Resolution 2025-15)**

Motion by Mary Rosler to advertise the anticipated tax ordinance. Second by Tiffany Casey. Passed 6-0. **(Ordinance 2025-16)**

This tax ordinance keeps borough taxes the same at 38.5 mills, but the debt fund is decreased from 7.5 mills to 4.5 mills, Street Improvement is increased from 1 mill to 2 mills, and 2 mills will be directed towards a new category, Electric, Gas and Water.

Mayfield received a notice that PPL is requesting a rate hike of almost 7% for next year. Jennifer said that she will make sure our electricity rate is locked in for as long as possible.

Motion by Jennifer Rossi to assign the addresses 905 Hudson Street and 907 Hudson Street to 2 properties purchased by Tom Hartman. Second by Mary Rosler. Passed 6-0.

Mayor Chelik reported that Sean Langan said the gate into the site of his development was broken.

Public Input

Joe Tomcavage expressed concern about a property near his home. It will be discussed with Chief Perechinsky.

Motion to adjourn by Jennifer Rossi. Second by Tiffany Casey. Passed 6-0.

The meeting was adjourned at: 8:27 P.M.