

Regular Meeting May 11, 2026 @ 7:00 PM

The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken with Austin Dombeck, TJ Edinger, Jim Ferrante, Frank Ferrucci, Chuck Kelly Sr., Charlie Kelly, Jr., Bob Shrock and Mayor Fuller present. Also present at the meeting was Solicitor Perrotta.

A motion was made by Ferrante, seconded by Kelly Jr., to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. All were in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Kelly Jr., seconded by Ferrante, to approve the bills as listed for April. All were in favor, motion carried.

Communications

The new TextMyGov notification system will officially start on May 21, 2026. Next Era will hold a regional meeting regarding the electricity on Wednesday June 3rd, 2026, at 10:30 AM in Grove City.

Tax Collectors report – None***Mayors' Report***

The police totals for April were 395 miles patrolled, 82.5 hours on duty with 36 incidents. The total mileage on the police cruiser as of April 30th was 16,719.

Visitors**Karen Goebel - 425 Beaver St.**

Karen wanted to know if there was an update on the status of the Stonecrest Business Park. As of this time, the borough has no new updates.

Andrew Palumbo & Matt VanGorder

Andrew and Matt wanted to discuss the gym property. They wanted to know how it was being taken care of and they would like to get more people access to it. Eventually they would like to take over and invest in it in partnership with the borough.

Jenny Edinger - Wampum Area Business Association

For the car cruise in August Jenny would like to know if it's possible to close the streets Thursday evening and remain closed all day Friday. She stated that Marshall's parking lot was not available for overflow cars and they would not like to see anyone turned away. The street committee will review this situation for the next meeting.

Robin McCowan

Robin was looking for clarification on the nuisance ordinance and who it all applied to.

Barb majors - Wampum Crossroads

Barb is working with Jim Arafa at the store so that they can have a spinning wheel to win a slice of pizza. She was just making sure that was not a problem with the borough. Since no money is involved, there is no problem giving out free pizza.

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Sergeant Olayer stopped at the council meeting to see if there were any issues or concerns for the State Police. Council president Kelly Sr. thanked him for the state police presence during the day in the borough.

Unfinished Business***DCNR Park Grant Project***

The committee is working with the Engineer to get the final approval for the drawings. There is also a certification letter that the Solicitor will need to sign to be submitted to DCNR as well.

Trees/Darlington Road

The notification letters will go in the mail tomorrow for the homes with dangerous trees on Darlington Road.

New Business***Resolution 2-2026.***

A motion was made by Kelly Jr., seconded by Dombeck, to adopt Resolution 2-2026 for the 2026 Lawrence County Liquid Fuel Funds. All were in favor, motion carried.

License Plate Reader

The Lawrence County District Attorney would like to install a license plate reader on Route 18 near Cemex. There is no issue with the Borough for the installation.

A motion was made by Kelly Jr., seconded by Ferrucci, to approve the installation of a license plate reader in the borough. All were in favor, motion carried.

Amend Zoning Ordinance – Data Centers

The data centers cannot be denied, but council will need to determine which zoning district will accommodate them first. The zoning officer will be contacted to discuss the issue.

A motion was made by Ferrante, seconded by Edinger, to proceed with the Data Center Zoning for the borough. All were in favor, motion carried.

Multi-Modal Grant Program

A motion was made by Kelly Jr., seconded by Ferrante, to have the Engineer write a grant application for Main Street. All were in favor, motion carried.

Transfer of Funds – None***Report of Committees******Electric – None******Sewer & Water***

The water project will start tomorrow from Route 18 to the water tower.

Stonecrest is setting the pumps in the station today. Once complete and a certificate is issued the ownership will transfer to the Borough.

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Report of Committees

Budget – None

Insurance – None

Police – None

Streets

Frank Ferrucci inquired about street sweeping this year. Kelly Jr. stated that he will be doing the street sweeping.

Columbia Gas has been opening sidewalks during their project without a permit. Kelly Sr. will schedule a meeting with Columbia Gas and Team Fishel.

Buildings

The borough did not obtain the property at 100 Water Street that was up for sale in April. The bidding exceeded the limit set by borough council.

Park & Recreation – None

A motion was made by Kelly Jr., seconded by Dombeck to adjourn to an executive session at 8:10 PM for a legal matter. All were in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Kelly Jr., seconded by Dombeck to end the executive session at 8:25 PM. All were in favor, motion carried.

A motion to adjourn was made by Kelly Jr., seconded by Ferrante. All were in favor, meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Sue Dean, Secretary