Shoemakersville Borough Council
MEETING MINUTES
August 4, 2026

1. Call to Order – **Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm.**

   Members present: Council President Chris Kline, Joseph Wertz, Dana Randazzo, Michael Grim, Mark Paine, Mayor David Kisha, Solicitor Charles Haws, Engineer David Kee

   Late arrival: Council Vice President Amy Botwright

   Members absent: Dana Smith, Borough Manager Paul Gruber

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Code Enforcement, Zoning & Permits: Paul Gruber (absent)

   Permits & Notices list provided

4. Solicitor's Report: Charles Hawes

   Trash renewal contract reminder – Council noted it was approved at July 21 meeting.

5. Engineer's Report: David Kee

   Building renovations moving forward

6. Fire Chief's Report: Rusty Wagner

   August calls report – 57 calls

7. Mayor's Report: David Kisha

   PA State Police Report – did not receive July report

   Neighborhood Watch Program – October 13th meeting

   Trick or Treat Nights – Thursday, October 29 & Friday, October 30

8. Manager/Secretary/Treasurer's Report: Paul Gruber (absent)

9. Committee Reports

   a. Utilities: Chris Kline, Chair

      SPL testing results: Water was sampled on July 14 at Bell Trucking and the water plant: all requirements were met

   b. Public Works: Joe Wetz, Chair

      No report

   c. Rec & Community: Dana Randazzo, Chair

      Fall yard sale to be Saturday, Sept 12 – 7:00 am – 1:00 pm

      October Newsletters have been delivered

      Councilperson Mark Paine inquired about results of Children's Fair. Recreation Board will be contacted for an update.

   d. Admin & Finance: Amy Botwright, Chair

      Motion to approve the minutes for July 21, 2026 made by Amy Botwright, seconded by Joe Wertz. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion to approve the bills payable for August 4, 2026 made by Amy Botwright, seconded by Joe Wertz. Motion approved with Councilperson Botwright abstaining due to reimbursement.

2027 budget preparation reminder

President Kline shared with Council the Grasshopper phone system draft set up.

e. Employee Relations: Chris Kline, Chair

Ad for Borough Secretary posted on Indeed with 49 responses at this time.

10. New Business

Public Comment

- Gary Billman – Noted water discoloration on several occasions. Also, meter needs to be changed in complex. Council will follow-up on the meter change.
- Richard Geschwindt – Requested update on Perry Development. Council does not have an update.
- Rusty Wagner – Requested update on PTMA billing. Council will confirm latest invoice sent.

Appoint Right-to-Know Officer

Motion to appoint Paul Gruber as Right to Know Officer made by Amy Botwright, seconded by Joe Wertz. Motion approved.

11. Old Business

Councilperson Paine inquired on the status of Fire Company payment. Fire Chief Wagner confirmed it was received.

Councilperson Paine inquired sharing of job descriptions to potential applicants.

12. Returned to New Business to Appoint Right-to-Know Officer

Motion to appoint Paul Gruber as Right to Know Officer made by Amy Botwright, seconded by Joe Wertz. Motion approved unanimously.

13. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Joe Wertz, seconded by Mike Grim. Meeting adjourned at 7:29 pm.