

**BALLY BOROUGH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 6, 2026 MEETING**

The re-organization and regular scheduled meeting of the Bally Borough Council was held on the above date at the Borough Hall. Mayor, David C. Schott called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council Members present: Glenn Mutter, Michael Moll, Michael Bauman, Joel Pilgert, Joshua Sloan, and Paul Gehringer. Matthew Gehman was absent.

Also present: Solicitor, R. Tim Curley; Borough Manager, Wendy Mutter; Borough Secretary, Tammy Wood and Superintendent, Nathan Heffner. There were 3 residents and 1 reporter in attendance.

Mayor Schott announced the agenda for this meeting had been posted on the door and website, at least 24 hours in advance. Mayor Schott announced the meeting is being recorded for minute taking purposes.

A motion was made by Joshua Sloan suggesting that a quorum is present, seconded by Paul Gehringer. All Ayes.

Mayor Schott swore in Council Members Glenn Mutter, Michael Moll and Michael Bauman. Mayor Schott called for the re-organization of council and nominations for Council President and Vice-President. Joshua Sloan nominated Glenn Mutter for Council President. Michael Bauman seconded that. Glenn Mutter abstained from the vote. All others, Ayes. Glenn Mutter nominated Michael Moll for Council Vice-President. Michael Bauman seconded that. Michael Moll abstained from the vote. All others, Ayes.

President Glenn Mutter took over the meeting at this time.

- **Committee appointments** – Michael Moll made the motion to keep all committee appointments the same, seconded by Paul Gehringer. All Ayes.
- **Reappoint Richard T Curley, PC as Borough Solicitor** – Paul Gehringer made the motion to reappoint Richard T Curley, seconded by Michael Moll. All Ayes.
- **Reappoint Systems Design Engineering as Borough Engineers** - Joshua Sloan made the motion to reappoint SDE, seconded by Michael Bauman. All Ayes.
- **Reappoint Kraft Municipal Group as code enforcement officer and zoning officer** - Paul Gehringer made the motion to reappoint Kraft Municipal Group, seconded by Michael Moll. All Ayes.

**COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM RESIDENTS**

- Resident, Mary Leister spoke to Council about not receiving her water/sewer for 2 billing periods and did not feel she should be charged a late fee, due to the fact she had never been late in paying in the 5 years as a Bally resident. She is now signed up to receive her bill through email and regular mail. Glenn Mutter reminded her that the bill comes out 4 times per month and she is ultimately responsible to make sure her bill is paid. Michael Bauman made the motion to credit Mary \$23.75 (late fee amount), seconded by Paul Gehringer. All Ayes.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. Minutes of December 2, 2025 Council Meeting- A motion was made by Michael Moll, seconded by Michael Bauman, to approve the minutes. All Ayes.

- b. Approval & Affirmation of Bills Presented – Joshua Sloan made the motion to approve the bills, seconded by Michael Moll. All Ayes.

### **PRESIDING OFFICER’S REPORT – None**

**WWTP Report** – Maintenance on vehicles were performed in December. The body and running board on the 2016 dump truck were rid of rust, along with the battery box on the backhoe. There was a water main break on Old Rt 100 on December 23<sup>rd</sup>, which was repaired. The 2023 F550 plow has been shutting off randomly for a few years, which was finally fixed. With the warmer weather, Public Works are planning on filling some potholes.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

#### **Health, Safety, & Welfare**

**Police** - Glenn Mutter stated that the police have kids’ bicycle helmets to distribute. If any child in Bally Borough is in need of a new helmet, please contact the police department at 610-845-2400.

**EBFD Fire** – EBFD reported 56 calls in the month of December, 2 of which were in Bally. The grand total for 2025 was 506, most calls since 2012. Bally had a grand total of 41 calls in 2025.

**Bally Ambulance** – EMS reported 133 calls in the month of December, 12 of which were in Bally. The grand total for 2025 was 1406, with 104 total calls in Bally.

**Planning Commission** – Did not meet

**Municipal Authority** – Did not meet. Next meeting is January 13<sup>th</sup>.

- Update on well 6 drilling – As of now, the week of January 19<sup>th</sup> the test well drilling will begin. There will need to be a temporary driveway put in for the test drilling.

**Zoning Hearing Board** – Did not meet.

**BARDS Committee** – Joshua Sloan stated that he should have a list of calendar dates for BARDS fundraisers at the February meeting.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- **Ratify the hiring of Aaron Derr to full-time public works at a rate of \$20/hr. with 90-day probation effective 1/5/2026** – Joshua Sloan made the motion to ratify the hiring of Aaron Derr, seconded by Paul Gehringer. All Ayes.
- **Release of old escrows**
  - **GBI Bally Brook \$54,269.61** – Michael Moll made the motion to approve the release to GBI Bally Brook, seconded by Joshua Sloan. All Ayes.
  - **Isett \$100.00** – Joshua Sloan made the motion to approve the release to Isett, Paul Gehringer seconded that. All Ayes.
  - **Mutter \$67.00** – Solicitor, Tim Curley inquired about who this was. Wendy Mutter stated it will go to Glenn Mutter, as this belonged to his father. Michael Moll made the motion to approve the release, seconded by Joshua Sloan. Glenn Mutter abstained from the vote. All others, Ayes.

- **Quigley LDP \$481.60** – Michael Moll made the motion to approve the release to Quigley LDP, seconded by Paul Gehringer. Michael Bauman abstained from the vote. All others, Ayes.
- **Office Expansion Bid Award Contract A (General) to FW Houder, Inc \$303,570**
  - **Notice of Intent to Award Contract** – Motion made by Paul Gehringer, seconded by Joshua Sloan. All Ayes.
  - **Notice of Award Contract** – Motion made by Michael Moll, seconded by Michael Bauman. All Ayes.
  - **Notice to Proceed** – Motion made by Joshua Sloan, seconded by Paul Gehringer. All Ayes.
- **Office Expansion Bid Award Contract B (Mechanical) KC Mechanical \$29,000**
  - **Notice of Intent to Award Contract** – Motion made by Michael Moll, seconded by Michael Bauman. All Ayes.
  - **Notice of Award Contract** – Motion made by Paul Gehringer, seconded by Joshua Sloan. All Ayes.
  - **Notice to Proceed** – Motion made by Michael Moll, seconded by Paul Gehringer. All Ayes.
- **Office Expansion Bid Award Contract C (Electrical) Xtreme Mechanical \$51,961**
  - **Notice of Intent to Award Contract** – Motion made by Michael Moll, seconded by Michael Bauman. All Ayes.
  - **Notice of Award Contract** – Motion made by Paul Gehringer, seconded by Joshua Sloan. All Ayes.
  - **Notice to Proceed** – Motion made by Michael Moll, seconded by Michael Bauman. All Ayes.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- None

#### **BOROUGH MANAGER REPORT**

- **Information from pre-audit** – The auditor suggested paying out the old escrows as previously mentioned. Besides to look out for the December billing of health insurance, there was nothing else brought to attention. The audit is scheduled for February 17<sup>th</sup>.
- **Award of \$100,000 from LSA grant for ADA ramp & generator**
  - **Use architectural firm Olsen Design Group for plans & bid** – Paul Geheringer made the motion to approve use of this firm, seconded by Michael Moll. All Ayes.
- **Aluminum cans in park** – Wendy Mutter stated in high winds the cans get blown all over. Joshua Sloan suggested he give Public Works some posts to put in the ground, so the recycle bins can be tied down. Nathan Heffner agreed to help with that.
- **Emergency Management for Public Officials meeting is Wednesday, January 28<sup>th</sup> 8-10am or 6:30-8:30pm.**

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT** – Tim Curley stated the drafted Ordinance presented by him last meeting for the inspection of codes was found non-compliant with probable cause. Tim will look further into this. The Henry property issue seems to have been workably resolved with help from Nate.

**MAYOR'S REPORT** – There were 31 calls for the month of December, with a year-end total of 460. There were 3 traffic citations issued and 1 parking ticket. The police traveled 573 miles using 61.45 gallons of fuel. If there is a Bally Borough child in need of a bicycle helmet, please reach out to Bally Police at 610-845-2400.

**QUESTIONS FROM RESIDENTS** – None

**COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS** – Glenn Mutter inquired if anyone thought about the parking Ordinance that was brought up last meeting. This topic will be put on the agenda for next meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**- A motion was made by Paul Gehringer, seconded by Joshua Sloan to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 pm. All Ayes.

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President

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Secretary