

**BALLY BOROUGH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 4, 2025 MEETING**

A meeting of the Bally Borough Council was held on the above date at the Borough Hall. President, Glenn Mutter called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

An Executive Session was held November 3rd, 2025 for a possible legal issue. **There was a quorum, no votes and no action taken.**

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

Also present: Borough Manager, Wendy Mutter; Secretary, Tammy Wood and Superintendent, Nathan Heffner; Mayor, David Schott and Solicitor, R. Tim Curley. There were 7 residents in attendance.

The agenda for this meeting had been posted on the door and the website, at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

President Mutter announced the meeting is being recorded for minute taking purposes.

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

COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM RESIDENTS: None

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Minutes of October 22, 2025 Council Meeting - A motion was made by Joshua Sloan, seconded by Michael Moll to approve the minutes. All Ayes.
- b. Approval & Affirmation of Bills Presented – Glenn Mutter asked Nathan Heffner about the garage door repair. Nate stated that someone backed into the door. A motion was made by Paul Gehringer to approve the bills, seconded by Michael Moll. All Ayes.

PRESIDING OFFICER REPORT - No report

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Health, Safety, & Welfare** – Did not meet
- **Police report** – No report
- **Fire report** – EBFD reported 44 calls in the month of October, 4 of which were in Bally. There was a total of 413 calls in the year so far. The new attack truck is now with EBFD, hoping to be put in service by the end of November. This truck will be able to get into tighter areas, with water and foam options.
- **Ambulance report** – EMS reported 81 calls in the month of October, 5 of which were in Bally, with a total of 1,171 calls year to date.
- **Planning Commission** – Did not meet

- **Municipal Authority** – Did not meet. Next meeting November 18th.
- **Zoning Hearing Board** – Did not meet
- **BARDS/Lions Club – Joshua Sloan**
 - Holiday Craft Show is Saturday, November 22nd from 9am – 3pm at Bally Mennonite Church.

WWTP Report: Stormwater repairs are pretty much wrapped up. 2 new pieces of playground equipment have been installed. Public Works will be working on flushing hydrants next month, along with other pre-winter work.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Change Order for Paving Project – (\$43,817.10)** – Wendy Mutter stated the change order came from work that was previously quoted, but found it was not needed. Michael Bauman made the motion to accept the change order amount of (\$43,817.10). Michael Moll seconded that. All Ayes.
- **Payment Application #1 (final) to H&K \$246,927.90** – Paul Gehringer made the motion to approve the payment application to be paid in full, in the amount of \$246,927.90. Michael Moll seconded that. All Ayes
- **Resolution 2025-3, 2026 Employee Wage Rates** – Vice President, Michael Moll asked for the motion to approve the 2026 employee wage rates. Joshua Sloan made the motion. Michael Bauman seconded that. Glenn Mutter abstained from the vote. All others Ayes.
- **Resolution 2025-4 Approving 2026 Budget** – Council agreed to dispense with the line-item reading, with Michael Moll making the motion, Paul Gehringer seconded that. All Ayes. Joshua Sloan made the motion to approve the 2026 Budget, seconded by Michael Bauman. Glenn Mutter abstained from the vote. All others Ayes.
- **Approval to sign 2026 Tax Rate Sheet for Berks County** – Paul Gehringer made the motion to approve signing the 2026 Tax Rate Sheet, seconded by Michael Moll. All Ayes.
- **Resolution 2025-5 Schedule of Council meetings 2026** – Joshua Sloan made the motion to approve 2026 council meeting schedule, seconded by Michael Moll. All Ayes.
- **Resolution 2025-6 Amending Police Pension Waiving Employee Contribution for 2026** – Paul Gehringer made the motion to pass Resolution 2025-6, seconded by Joshua Sloan. All Ayes.
- **Resolution 2025-7 Amending Non-uniform Pension Waiving Employee Contribution for 2026** – Joshua Sloan made the motion to pass Resolution 2025-7, seconded by Michael Bauman. Glenn Mutter abstained from the vote. All others, Ayes.
- **Approval to sign 2026 Selective auto/property/liability insurance renewal** – Michael Moll made the motion to sign, seconded by Paul Gehringer. All Ayes.
- **Approval to advertise for building expansion bid advertising** – Joshua Sloan made the motion to advertise bid, seconded by Paul Gehringer. All Ayes.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Well 6 update** – No update
- **Ratify the signing of the Camp Camino Amended Easement** - Easement was amended with location descriptions. A motion for Glenn Mutter to sign easement made by Michael Moll, seconded by Paul Gehringer. All Ayes.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

- **Draft Ordinance to require tenant registration for all property types** – Tabled
- **Bechtelsville to withdraw from Joint Zoning Ordinance #226** – Options for the Borough to consider: ratify and re-enact the ordinance as is or a new Zoning Ordinance. Bechtelsville is looking to finalize the withdraw by the end of 2026.
- **Letter to owner of 469 Gehman Road Barto concerning property encroachment** – Tim stated the letter was sent.

MAYOR'S REPORT: No report

ENGINEER'S STATUS OF PROJECTS: Council read over report

OFFICE REPORT:

QUESTIONS FROM RESIDENTS: None

COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS – Michael Moll asked if there were any plans moving forward for the stormwater issue in the 800 block of Chestnut St. Wendy Mutter, stated there was not at this time.

ADJOURNMENT –A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Joshua Sloan, seconded by Paul Gehringer at 7:40 pm. All Ayes.



President - Glenn Mutter



Secretary – Tammy Wood