

**DERRY BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
March 11, 2025**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES & TREASURER'S REPORT

1. Regular Meeting Minutes of February 11, 2025
2. Treasurers Report for February 28, 2025

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor reported for February 2025 with total receipts of _____, which included traffic receipts of \$_____, non-traffic receipts of \$_____, and \$_____ in clerk of court and \$_____ miscellaneous receipts. There were __ complaint calls, __ traffic citations, __ non-traffic citation, and __ parking ticket.

ZONING /UCC/ CODE OFFICER'S REPORT

BIU report for February 2025 - There were __ - Zoning Permits, __ - UCC, __ Occupancy, and __ Code Enforcement Violations issued in the month of February 2025 by BIU.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Works/Buildings Grounds/Zoning/Code/Flood

Finance/ Budget/ Grants

Business Development/ Community Relations/School Services/ Rebranding Derry

Community Pool

Refuse/Recycling

TCC Representative

Personnel Onboarding

COG Representative

Public Safety /Fire/Police

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council will be holding an upcoming executive session on Thursday, April 3, 2025 at 4:00pm at the Derry Borough Municipal Building on the 2nd Floor for personnel and confidential matters.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Next meeting 4th Tuesday of April at 7pm AV Germano Hall
Zoning Ordinance Review

REPRESENTATIVES

- DARCEE meeting 4th Weds 7pm Semi-Monthly alternating between Derry Borough, Derry Township, and New Alexandria.
- Derry Area Historical Society – Board Meeting are held at the Fulton House on the 3rd Monday monthly at 6:30pm. Their website is derryhistory.org Please check out their facebook page for updated information searching Derry Area History.
- Derry Railroad Days Committee meets the 3rd Tuesday monthly at 6:30pm at AV Germano Hall (Alternative meeting place is the Fulton House in New Derry) Always looking for new members from Derry Borough!
- The Derry VFW and American Legion would like to invite everyone to take part in a solemn flag raising and lowering ceremony monthly on the 10th and 11th at the Veterans Memorial Bridge at 6pm. If you would like a family member's flag to be flown for a certain month, feel free to contact us. It is a great honor to provide this service and to show the community we are very much active. Derry VFW would very much like to see our ranks grow, for the VFW and the American Legion. If interested in either the flag raising or joining the VFW or Legion contact Russ McKlveen.
- Friends of Derry meeting– March 25, 2025 Tuesday 6:30pm upstairs 2nd Floor

COMMUNICATIONS

- Westmoreland County Boroughs Association March 27, 2025 5:30pm at Hoss's Steak Hoss KPN Cooperative Purchasing Program RSVP by March 24th
- Letter Wayne Churley requesting appointment to Civil Service Commission
- Email from Steve Kozar for appointment on the Civil Service Commission
- Email from Josh Campbell for appointment on the Civil Service Commission
- St. Patrick's Day Parade Latrobe – March 8, 2025 Big Foot will be in attendance and line up will be at 9:30am by the stadium with parade beginning at 11am.
- The Greatest American Cleanup – Keep America Beautiful for the 250th Anniversary. Westmoreland Cleanways would like to partner with Derry Borough to work towards the national goals for this celebration.
- DARCEE is hosting Bowling for DARCEE on March 15, 2025 from 1-3pm at Lincoln Lanes Team of 4-\$120 need to RSVP by March 3, 2025 Flyers/Registration Form available on DARCEE Facebook Page. Sponsor ads available for the event as well.
- DASD – Letter received requesting support for their Grand March/Prom program with a quarter page ad for \$20, half-page ad for \$35, and Whole Page ad for \$50 for published ad in Program. The ads can be based off business cards.
- Laurel Valley Chamber has three upcoming events that showcase commitment to education, community tradition and civic engagement. Westmoreland County Civics Bee April 8th, 2025 6pm at Fred Rogers Center, Banana Split Princess Pageant, on May

4th at 4pm at Robindale Auditorium, and the 2025 Excellence in Education Banquet May 19th at Chophouse in the Airport at 5:30pm. Sponsorships and attendance registrations are available. Information is available at the borough office.

- Westmoreland County Borough’s Banquet will be held on Friday April 25, 2025 at 6:00PM at Ferrante’s Lakeview in Greensburg SR 30. RSVP by 4-17-2025.
- DVFD, Friends of Derry and the American Red Cross will be installing smoke detectors free of charge. More detail to follow as to how residents can sign up for the installation (tentative date May 10, 2025) will be posted on social media and in communications at the meetings upcoming.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Board and Commission terms available in the Borough:
 - a) One alternate board member for the zoning hearing board expiring December 31, 2029.
 - b) One (1) four-year term for the planning commission expiring December 31, 2026.
 - c) One (1) five-year term for the Derry Borough Municipal Authority expiring December 31, 2029
 - d) Vacancy Board Chairman 2025
 - e) Civil Service Commission

2. Derry Business Park – Approve partnership with Westmoreland County Redevelopment Authority with their upcoming potential plans understanding they would receive a partial reimbursement from taxes received in future years with an agreement determined. (Letter of Support)

3. Mossback Park Gazebo Maintenance – Grant Application

4. Appoint a Deputy Tax Collector

5. Regional Police Coverage – Plan of Action Feasibility study/MOU

Committee created – Sara Cowan, Rich Eikenburg, and Jasen Lentz

6. Big Foot Commemorative Project- Friends of Derry – Approve to apply for the Greenways Trails and Recreation Programs Grant to assist with funding for the project.

7. Ordinance 818 for Speed Limits and Scale for Fines – Feasibility Study to be conducted.

8. Chief of Police Position

NEW BUSINESS

1. Engineering Proposals

2. Cell Phones for Public Works, Mayor, and Police Chief
3. Jr. Councilmember
4. Elect a new Pro-Tem
5. Approve advertising RFP for refuse and recycling contract
6. Keeping Chickens in Derry Borough – Discussion was conducted at worksession held on March 4, 2025, with four members of the public Mia Turney of W. Third St., Jade Mignen of Braden Ave, and Angela Havranek of Utopia St requesting to have chickens. Chad Fabian prior councilmember attended to explain past history of public hearings and community review of having chickens. Safety, illness, and cleanliness were major concerns, and the majority of the residents attending did not want chickens in the borough.
7. Clean-up Day – May 2025 or June
8. Seasonal Lawn Employee – Approve to advertise for 2025 Season
9. Approve Easter Egg Hunt for April 26, 2025 at 1pm hosted by the Railroad Days Committee
10. Approve additional day for Food Truck Fridays to include August 15, 2025

PAYMENT OF BILLS
ADJOURNMENT