

**DERRY BOROUGH COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
October 8, 2024**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES & TREASURER'S REPORT

1. Regular Meeting Minutes of September 10, 2024
2. Special Meeting Minutes of September 19, 2024
3. Treasurers Report for September 30, 2024

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Burn Ordinance Review – DEP  
Review of Speed Limit Changes -Penn Dot

MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor report for August 2024 was presented with total receipts of \$164.07, which included traffic receipts of \$142.39 non-traffic receipts of \$0, and \$21.68 clerk of court, \$0 Reports, and \$0 parking receipts. There were 80 complaint calls, 16 traffic citations, 1 non-traffic citations, and 0 parking ticket.

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ZONING /CODE/UCC OFFICER'S REPORT

BIU report for September 2024: -Zoning Permit, -UCC Permits, -Code Enforcement Violations and -Occupancy Certificate were reported.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Public Works** – Pool Shutdown, Line Painting, Vehicle Inspections, Sidewalk removal at the pool entrance way, RR Days Prep and Cleanup, Equipment preparation for winter, Big Foot installation and Silhouettes, McGee Run Maintenance, 2<sup>nd</sup> ward curb painting, Applicator License re-cert for 4 years.

**Buildings and Grounds** –

**Police** –

**Parks and Recreation** –

**Pool Committee** –. Pool Boosters/Game of Chance License

**Grants-** Main Street Matters – PA Department of Community Economic Development Submission by November 14, 2024 Categories include Planning Facades Business Improvements and Implementation. DCED Main Street Matters Grant Opportunity planning activities, façade grant programs, business improvement grant programs, accessible housing programs, and district development grants. Application Deadline: November 15, 2024. Nathan applied for a Go Laurel Highland Marketing grant for the amount of \$795 to reach out to other areas surrounding Westmoreland County.

**Public Safety Committee-**

**Media/Technology-**

**Neighborhood Watch-**

**DASD/School-**

**Business Development/Community Relations –**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ Derry Borough Council is seeking individuals interested in chairing events in the Borough with Council help including Food Truck days, Concerts at Mossback Park, Concert at Community Park, Carnival at Community Park, Market Days/Farmer's Markets.

**Derry Borough Council went into executive session for personnel discussion for the administration department at the Derry Borough Council Worksession at 8:13pm. Executive session ended at 8:37pm.**

### PLANNING COMMISSION

Next meeting 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday October 22, 2024 at AV Germano Hall at 7pm  
Discussion Topics: Wineman Way

### REPRESENTATIVES

- DARCEE meeting 4<sup>th</sup> Weds 7pm Quarterly 4<sup>th</sup> Weds January, April (New Alexandria Borough), July (Derry Borough Building), and October 2024 (Derry Township Building).
- Derry Area Historical Society – Board Meeting are held at the Fulton House on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday monthly at 6:30pm. Their website is [derryhistory.org](http://derryhistory.org) Please check out their facebook page for updated information searching Derry Area History.
- Derry Railroad Days Committee meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 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. And, we 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.

### COMMUNICATIONS

- A Halloween Theme Display Contest is in the works for Derry Borough from October 21<sup>st</sup> -October 28, 2024 partnered with the Friends of the Gem Theater. Residents are encouraged to decorate for Halloween as they can win prizes! Information will be available on Derry Borough Facebook page and Derry Area Topics.
- Halloween Hootanany – Thursday, October 31 ,2024 at Derry Community Park from 5pm to dusk. Trick or Treat Trail, DJ, Games and more including a public view of Invasion of Chestnut Ridge with Ron Murphy. Ridgeview Heating will be sponsoring a children’s activity booth. Railroad Days committee will be hosting a pumpkin painting competition.
- October 25, 2024 there will be a Food Truck night 4pm-7pm downtown at Mossback Park Location. There will also be music entertainment at the gazebo.
- Latrobe-Laurel Valley Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner Awards Ceremony Monday, October 21 at 5:30pm at the Fred Rogers Center at St. Vincent College \$150/person RSVP by October 15<sup>th</sup>
- Letter – Laurel Area Faith in Action – Sponsorship Friday, November 15, 2024

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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1. Board and Commission terms available in the Borough:
  - a) Vacancy Board Chairman 2024
  - b) One planning commission vacancy term ending 12-31-2026
  - c) One vacancy on the Borough of Derry Municipal Authority Board term expiring 12-31-2024.
  - d) One Alternate seat vacancy for Zoning Hearing Board

#### 2. Porcelain Park

#### 3. 5-Year Plan List – Downtown Derry Borough

Connect Chestnut Street across the tracks 2nd & 3rd ward  
Railroad/Train Viewing Stand  
Public Restrooms for downtown to support street events  
Better/more visible signage for our amenities  
Electronic message board

4. Mossback Park Gazebo Maintenance
5. Appoint a Deputy Tax Collector
6. Community Pool Pavilion
7. Approve balancing Change Order for final Pay Estimate #2 -3rdWard Paving Project.
8. Regional Police Services

Regional Police Coverage

- Written or verbal confirmation from PSP to Council that they are on board with expansion
- Communication with Senator Pittman and Representative Rossi to gain their support
- Written business plan including budgeting and mapping of proposed area
- Schedule meeting with all parties

Regional Policing – Grant Opportunity PCCD - Regional Policing Assistance Program  
Deadline October 15, 2024

Council discussed this deadline is not possible at this time due to lack of plan in place.  
Preliminary plans and meetings must be held prior to applying for this grant at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Administrative Assistant
2. Big Foot Commemorative Project
3. UCC Appeals Board – COG Agreement - Approve Ordinance 813 Adopting the Articles of Agreement Among the Member Local Governments of Foothills Council of Governments in accordance with the Pennsylvania Intergovernmental Cooperation Law
4. Approve Ordinance 814 Repealing Tax Increase for Earned Income Tax from 1% to 1.25%.
5. Ordinance 815 for Speed Limits and Scale for Fines – Draft prepared by Lee Demosky.
6. Approve Trick or Treat Date and Time for Saturday, October 26, 2024 from 4pm-8pm.
7. Approve supporting the Westmoreland County Demolition Application submission for Jason Gunther for 116 E. 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Derry.
8. General Fund Budget – Schedule 1<sup>st</sup> Budget Meeting w/ Jasen, Nathan, and Barb
9. Approve taser purchase for police department with quote provided for five years in the amount as follows:  
2024 \$5,180.78 (\$2,500 TRAINING)  
2025 \$2,788.02

2026 \$2,899.54  
2027 \$3,015.52  
2028 \$3,136.14

10. Office Software – Freedom Systems

11. Approve Resolution 687-24 MMO Payment for 2024 Pension Plans

12. Christmas at Mossback Park- DARCEE, Fire Department, and Borough Coordination

13. Marchese and Associates – Workers Compensation Insurance, Life Insurance, and Police Pension Plan

Approve letter to recognize Bailey Insurance Agency as the Agent of Record - Baily Insurance Agency purchased Michael Marchese II Agency as of July 1, 2024

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**  
**ADJOURNMENT**