

**DERRY BOROUGH COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
September 10, 2024**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES & TREASURER’S REPORT

1. Regular Meeting Minutes of August 13, 2024
2. Treasurers Report for August 31, 2024

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

1. Dawn Weichler – (Worksession) Dog Law Officer – Reviewed with council the process of Dog Incidents within the Borough. Initially victims should please call 911 with any aggressive dogs at large or incidents. Sable Kennel can be reached by Derry Police Department or residents as well for post incident needs. Ms. Weichler explained if someone is dealing with an aggressive dog the best thing to do is to use an object swinging side to side as it will assist with keeping the dog away from you as a victim or your dog.
2. Justin Houser, Tia Blystone, and Rob Govern (Worksession) – DAYAA Baseball Board Members requesting a letter of support from Derry Borough Council to support initiating their own charter for little league.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT

MAYOR’S REPORT

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

ZONING /CODE/UCC OFFICER’S REPORT

BIU report for August 2024: \_\_-Zoning Permit, \_\_-UCC Permits, \_\_-Code Enforcement Violations and \_\_-Occupancy Certificates were reported.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Public Works –**
- Buildings and Grounds –**
- Police –**
- Parks and Recreation –**
- Pool Committee –.**
- Grants-**

**Public Safety Committee-  
Media/Technology-  
Neighborhood Watch-  
DASD/School-  
Business Development/Community Relations -**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Derry Borough Council went into executive session at 8:12pm at the Derry Borough Council Worksession held on September 3, 2024 for discussion regarding personnel. Executive session ended at 8:22pm.

Friends of Gem Theater are requesting volunteers for participation in the Railroad Days Parade. Please contact Joan Reynolds if you would like to volunteer. You can message here on facebook Friends of the Gem Theater.

### PLANNING COMMISSION

#### 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!

### 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.
- Westmoreland County Borough's Association Meeting on September 26, 2024, 6:30pm at Hoss's Steak House, Greensburg – Guest Speaker Westmoreland Conservation District's Jim Pillsbury, Engineer to review all the programming available to support Boroughs and their residents. RSVP by September 23, 2024.
- 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 childrens activity booth. Railroad Days committee will be hosting a pumpkin painting competition.

- Greater Latrobe Laurel Valley Chamber of Commerce Membership Ribbon Cutting 4pm on Friday, September 6, 2024 at the Borough Municipal Building, 114 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Derry, PA.
- Summary of the Local Elected Officials Emergency Management Symposium – Emergency Management preparedness for elected and appointed officials.

### 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
4. Mossback Park Gazebo Maintenance
5. Appoint a Deputy Tax Collector
6. Community Pool Pavilion - Approve bid award for the RFP for Pavilion at the Derry Community Pool. Bids accepted until 10am September 9, 2024 and reviewed by Gibson-Thomas Engineering.
7. 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward Paving Project - Punchlist items completed on Friday, August 30, 2024 and wedge curbs were installed where needed for stormwater management. Meeting requested with Gibson-Thomas for review.

Approve Pay Estimate #2 in the amount of \$18,560.77 for Final Payment

### NEW BUSINESS

1. Approve hiring a Part-time Public Works employee
2. Big Foot Commemorative Project
3. UCC Appeals Board – COG Approve Resolution / Approve advertising Ordinance 814 Adopting the Articles of Agreement Among the Member Local Governments of Foothills

Council of Governments in accordance with the Pennsylvania Intergovernmental Cooperation Law

4. Ordinance 816 for Speed Limits and Scale for Fines – Draft prepared by Lee Demosky.
5. Approve Resolution 685-24 Fee Schedule for Vacancy Ordinance – Annual Fee \$500
6. Approve 2025 Minimum Municipal Obligations for Uniform and Non-Uniform Pension Plans
7. Approve advertising Ordinance 815 Repealing Tax Increase for Earned Income Tax from 1% to 1.25%.
8. Approve supporting the Westmoreland County Demolition Application submission for Jason Gunther for 116 E. 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Derry.
9. Approve Resolution 686-24 Support DAYAA for initiating charter for little league.
10. Quote for Street Sweeper for Bortek \$2,900 for three-day usage
11. Downtown Derry Borough Plan
12. 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.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

**ADJOURNMENT**