

The **Agenda Meeting** of Charleroi Borough Council was held on July 2, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Roll Call showed the following Members of Council present: Kristin Hopkins, Larry Celaschi, Jerry Jericho, Paul Pivovarnik, Joseph Smith and Robert Whiten Jr.

Tom Santoro was absent

Also, present were: Mayor Gregg Doerfler, Solicitor Steven Toprani, Borough Manager Joseph Manning and Borough Admin/Secretary Roberta Doerfler.

James Stache, code enforcement officer, gave his monthly report.
After items were discussed and placed on next weeks' agenda, council went into a short executive session on personnel and litigation.

Motion by Larry Celaschi and seconded by Paul Pivovarnik to adjourn the meeting All In Favor
Motion Carried

The **Regular Meeting** of Charleroi Borough Council was held on July 9, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Roll Call showed the following Members of Council present: Kristin Hopkins, Larry Celaschi, Jerry Jericho, Paul Pivovarnik, Thomas Santoro, Joseph Smith and Robert Whiten Jr.

Also, present were: Mayor Gregg Doerfler, Borough Admin/Sec Roberta Doerfler, Solicitor Steven Toprani and Borough Manager Joseph Manning

Motion by Paul Pivovarnik and seconded by Thomas Santoro to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from June 11, 2025

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous Motion Carried

At this time the President of Council and Borough Manager presented a commendation to Matt Prentice

Commendation for Extraordinary Bravery

On behalf of Charleroi Borough, we formally recognize and commend Matthew Prentice for their courageous and selfless actions on July 3, 2025.

When faced with an emergency situation-a residence engulfed in flames-Matthew Prentice acted without hesitation or concern for personal safety. Risking his own life, he entered the burning home and successfully rescued the occupant trapped inside, embodying the highest ideals of bravery, compassion and duty.

Such valor goes far beyond the expectations of any employee and is a testament to Matthew's character, leadership and unwavering commitment to the well-being of others.

We are proud to have such an extraordinary individual among us and honor him with this commendation for exceptional heroism in the face of danger.

Presented on: July 9, 2025

By: Charleroi Borough Mayor and Council

Kris Wergin and the employees of the Street Department were also presented with Certificates of Appreciation

Borough of Charleroi

 **Certificate of Appreciation** 

Presented to Charleroi Borough Street Department employees

Edward Brown • David Diffenderfer • Joseph Dzurko • Luther Nails • Gary Riley • Bret Jordan • Jacob Stillwagon
Cullin Woytovich • Jacob Ziolkowski Kristopher Wergin

In recognition of your swift, courageous, and selfless assistance during the house fire on July 3, 2025, within our community. Your unwavering dedication to public safety, seamless coordination with emergency services, and steadfast commitment to the residents of Charleroi exemplify the highest standards of civic service.

Your actions not only safeguarded property but also reinforced the profound trust between the Borough and those who serve it with such integrity.

With deepest gratitude, this certificate is awarded as a symbol of our heartfelt appreciation.

Presented this 9th of July, 2025

By the Borough of Charleroi

Mayor and Council

The Honorable Camera Bartolotta, State Senator also presented the workers with certificates of appreciation.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEMS:

Resident Jim Yohe said that it was ironic that these guys were getting presented with awards tonight, because he was here to commend them for work well done on the fire and rescue. Saying that Matt Prentice shows courage in need and love. Even with the recent job losses, there is hope in Charleroi, it is in these young men. I'm glad they were recognized

Committee Reports:

Finance: Councilman Pivovarnik stated that the finance committee met and went over the budget. The Borough is doing well. On tonight's agenda is an item to invest money into PLGIT, Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust. Paul's recommendation is to invest \$500,000 of the ABC Sewer System Proceeds.

Public Works: Thomas Santoro read the street department report for the month of June. He also reported that the sweeper is almost done with its repairs, but they found that the injector pump needs to be replaced at a cost of \$3,600. It is still in the cost of what was planned for repairs.

Parks and Recreation: Jerry Jericho reported that work is still being completed on the parks with an estimated time of completion to be 1 month. Aaron Henderson of Remington & Vernick Engineering will work on the needed change orders for the parks

Code, Fire EMS and Animal Control: Bob Whiten commented on the gentleman that received the awards this evening. Thanking them for the outstanding work that they do. He also thanked Borough Manager Joseph Manning, for coming in on his vacation day, the day of the fire, to see if the fire department needed anything. Bob also mentioned that Larry Celaschi called and texted to see if anything was needed, offering to get them cases of water. Matt Prentice read the fire report and the EMS report was read as well.

Personnel: No report at this time

Police: Jerry Jericho reported that the police board purchased a 2013 Ford Expedition at a cost of \$8,000 to replace the vehicle that was damaged in a head on collision. Kristin Hopkins stated that someone stepped up and donated the monies needed to purchase the water rescue vests. Mayor Doerfler mentioned that work was continuing on removing abandoned vehicles.

Community Planning: Larry Celaschi mentioned again great accolades to the gentleman that received awards tonight. Stating that you are an asset to this Borough. He would love to see this council put Kris Wergin on full-time.

Mayor: Gregg Doerfler commented to the awardees that, "you always come through", I've run into buildings with you. I commend you and you make me proud to be the Mayor of Charleroi

AGENDA:

1. Motion by Paul Pivovarnik and seconded by Joseph Smith to approve the June/July 2025 list of expenses and payments in the amount of \$208,945.22

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

2. Motion by Jerry Jericho and seconded by Paul Pivovarnik to approve the non-paid application for accessible parking at 205 Luella Avenue

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

3. Motion by Paul Pivovarnik and seconded by Larry Celaschi to approve the 5-year winter maintenance agreement and Resolution #4 of 2025 with PennDOT

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

4. Motion by Tom Santoro and seconded by Jerry Jericho to authorize to purchase a mini excavator not to exceed the cost of \$25,000

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

5. Motion by Tom Santoro and seconded by Paul Pivovarnik to approve Resolution #3 of 2025 to destroy a years' worth of files - 2017

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

6. Motion by Tom Santoro and seconded by Jerry Jericho to authorize to pave Bosson Way

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

7. Motion by Paul Pivovarnik and seconded by Larry Celaschi to authorize investing with PLGIT Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust the amount of \$500,000 for 90 days at the 4.38% rate

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

At this time Solicitor Steven Toprani requested a short executive session for updates on litigation and personnel

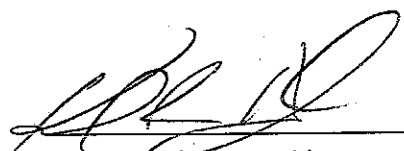
ANNOUNCEMENTS


- The next Charleroi Borough Council Agenda meeting is August 7, 2024 at 6PM.
- The next Charleroi Borough Council Business meeting is August 14, 2024 at 6PM.

Motion by Jerry Jericho and seconded by Larry Celaschi to adjourn the meeting.

All in Favor

Motion Carried


 Kristin Hopkins, President


 Roberta Doerfler, Borough Admin/Secretary