

The **Agenda Meeting** of Charleroi Borough Council was held on September 3, 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, Tom Santoro, Joseph Smith and Robert Whiten Jr.

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

Kristin Hopkins took this time to thank everyone for their efforts in the rescue of the trapped worker in the caved in ditch in front of Davies Ford the other night. In the words of Robert Whiten Jr., the work by everyone was like a well-oiled machine. Larry Celaschi also wanted to mention (being overlooked) that the mayor was there the whole night, as well, working to extricate the gentleman.

Ben Humble came to speak to council on the traffic issues in town. He is from Greene County and was a President of a municipality's council. He mentioned that they used PennDOT's LTAP and explained that PennDOT will come out and monitor our traffic and make suggestions like lane slowing and illuminated crosswalks, to help with suppressing the accidents that have been happening. This service is free of charge.

Terry Newstrom, former mayor, came to inform council of the accident that happened in front of his home on Crest Avenue in the 600 block. He hopes that something can be done about these accidents happening, before something tragic happens. He stated that he contacted Senator Bartolotta and Cook and have yet to hear anything back from them.

Columbia Gas's Scott Waitlevertch and the project managers of the line replacement project that is going on in town, came to give an update on the project and the projected completion dates. They also answered questions from council members and of the audience members. They are hoping to have the project completed by the end of December.

Jerilyn Brown of Savvy Citizen came to give a presentation on their product, a mass notification software. She explained how it works to notify residents of any emergencies or just information that we would like to extend to our residents.

The cost for this service is \$1,859 annually

At this time (7:25 p.m.) Council went into an executive session to discuss personnel and potential litigation.

The **Regular Meeting** of Charleroi Borough Council was held on September 10, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

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

Borough Manager Joseph Manning was absent

Motion by Thomas Santoro and seconded by Thomas Santoro to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from August 13, 2025

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

PUBLIC DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEMS: None at this time

Finance: Councilman Pivovarnik stated that all Borough invoices are being paid and reported that the finance committee will meet the first week in October to go over the 2026 budget

Code, Fire EMS and Animal Control: James Stache read the code enforcement report and answered questions. Matt Prentice read the fire report and the EMS report was read as well. Matt Prentice also stated that the fire department is not here for anyone's political agendas, because of a recent post on a social media page.

Public Works: Thomas Santoro read the monthly report and mentioned that the recycled televisions are now gone. The street crew has been doing maintenance on the trucks to get ready for the winter season.

Personnel: No report at this time

Parks and Recreation: Jerry Jericho reported that the pavilions are here and that there is movement going on at the parks. Kristin Hopkins reported that the Halloween Parade will be October 29, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. There will also be business Trick or Treat that night. Residential Trick or Treat will be October 31, 2025 starting at 5:30 – 7:00

Community Planning: Larry Celaschi wants the agenda to better differentiate between speakers and presentations

1. Motion by Paul Pivovarnik and seconded by Thomas Santoro to approve the Aug/Sept 2025 list of expenses and payments in the amount of \$185,597.92

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

2. Motion by Jerry Jericho and seconded by Paul Pivovarnik to approve the 2026 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for the Pension Plan

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

3. Motion by Paul Pivovarnik and seconded by Larry Celaschi to authorize the proposed project for the time capsule by Borough Artisan Casey Clark at a cost of \$6,500

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

4. Motion by Larry Celaschi and seconded by Thomas Santoro to retain the services of architect Ken Kulak for security infrastructure in borough building at a cost not to exceed \$4,500

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous at “no”

Motion Failed

5. Motion by Paul Pivovarnik and seconded by Larry Celaschi to authorize the annual contribution to Rostraver EMS in the amount of \$20,795 for 2026

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

6. Motion by Jerry Jericho and seconded by Paul Pivovarnik to approve the purchase of Savvy Citizen (mass notification software) in the amount of \$1,859

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

- The next Charleroi Borough Council Agenda meeting is October 1, 2025 at 6PM.
- The next Charleroi Borough Council Business meeting is October 8, 2025 at 6PM.

Motion by Jerry Jericho and seconded by Thomas Santoro to adjourn the meeting.

All in Favor

Motion Carried


Kristin Hopkins, President


Roberta Doerfler, Borough Admin/Secretary