

The **Agenda Meeting** of Charleroi Borough Council was held on May 6, 2026 at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Paul Pivovarnik called the meeting to order with a roll call and the pledge of allegiance

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

Also, present were: Solicitor John Petrisek, Borough Manager Joseph Manning, Borough Admin/Secretary Roberta Doerfler and Borough Secretary Tammy Greco.

At this time Aaron Henderson of Remington, Vernick Engineers gave an update on the work being performed. Aaron updated council members on the projects of Parks, Street Scapes, Prospect Ave Retaining Wall and Guiderail and the 2026 Road paving program. Kristin asked for a meeting between the engineers, herself, Jerry and the Borough Manager.

James Satache spoke to members of council about happenings in code enforcement, reading the monthly report and answering questions.

Chris Kennedy presented a website design to council, for the option of using. After his presentation, Larry Celaschi asked for the floor to speak. He then presented his reasons for not wanting Chris Kennedy's assistance with the website.

Council Members went over the discussion items and set the agenda for next week's meeting.

Council Members then went into an executive session about personnel.

Motion by Jerry Jericho and seconded by Nancy Ellis to adjourn the meeting.

The **Regular Meeting** of Charleroi Borough Council was held on May 13, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

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

Also, present were: Mayor Edward Bryner, Borough Admin/Sec Roberta Doerfler, Solicitor John Petrisek, Borough Manager Joseph Manning and Borough Secretary Tammy Greco.

Motion by Jerry Jericho and seconded by Thomas Santoro to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from April 8, 2026.

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

PUBLIC DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEMS:

Mon Valley Vo-Tech was not in attendance for their slated presentation.

Richard Bassin spoke regarding his application for a handicap parking space at 302 Meadow Avenue which is part of Agenda Item 2.

Lorraine Smith, Debbie Devigne and Ernest Merritt spoke regarding the website creator Chris Kennedy.

**Finance:** Kristin Hopkins would like to have a Budget meeting for 2027 by July and review current YTD totals. President Paul Pivovarnik questioned the fuel cost and how much over budget we are. Borough Manager Joe Manning replied they are watching fuel costs very closely and cutting where they can.

**Public Works:** Thomas Santoro mentioned the Street Dept had 2 vehicles down. One was repaired and one needs to go to the shop. Kristin questioned purchasing new vehicles. Borough Manager Joe Manning stated they are looking to buy a new truck and a street sweeper with capital purchases they have in the budget. Kristin stated she would like to meet with finance.

**Parks and Recreation:** Jerry asked Borough Manager Joe Manning for updates. Joe stated that he has received phone calls and emails regarding the power being dropped at Woodland Park. There is a work order in place. Water has not been hooked up either.

Nancy Ellis stated Student Government Day was successful. Community Days are moving along, entertainment is scheduled and they are still looking for sponsors through 06/15/2026 and a grant for the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

**Code, Fire EMS and Animal Control:** Jerry Jericho read the Animal Control report, Code Enforcement Report, and EMS Report. Bobby Whiten gave the Fire Report and stated they are getting no donations and paying the part-time weekend personnel out of their own funds.

**Personnel:** Larry Celaschi stated they are trying to get health insurance rates. President Paul Pivovarnik asked if they should table Agenda item #9 and wait until June. Kristin Hopkins wants to look over the numbers first and asked for a recessed meeting to be held Tuesday, May 26, 2026 at 6pm.

Larry Celaschi gave a big thank you to the Charleroi Fire Department, police and EMS for their expertise, kindness and efforts with his mother.

**Police:** Mayor Ed Bryner stated there is a meeting Wednesday, May 20, 2026 at 6pm. Jerry Jericho read the police report.

**Community Planning:** Kristin Hopkins also stated how nice Student Government Day was and thanked Nancy Ellis for her help in planning. Kristin along with the Mon Valley Chamber of Commerce has sent questionnaires to the business owners in town asking how we can help them and the support they need. Streetscape is almost at completion and they are trying for more grants.

#### AGENDA:

1. Motion by Jerry Jericho and seconded by Nancy Ellis to approve the April/May 2026 list of expenses and payments in the amount of \$186,528.84.

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

2. Motion by Thomas Santoro and seconded by Nancy Ellis to authorize the paid accessible parking application for 302 Meadow Avenue.

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

3. Motion by Kristin Hopkins and seconded by Larry Celaschi to approve a resolution authorizing the conveyance of 2 parcels of land in the 300 block of Fallowfield Avenue to the Charleroi Volunteer Fire Department in accordance with Section 1201.3(a)(1) of the Borough Code and authorizing the President of Council to execute the deed.

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

4. Motion by Larry Celaschi and seconded by Joseph Smith to accept the resignation the retirement letter for Roberta Doerfler. Larry requested the letter be read aloud. Borough Manager Joe Manning read the letter with responding applause.

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

5. Motion by Larry Celaschi and seconded Jerry Jericho to authorize to update the signers on all accounts, removing Roberta Doerfler and adding Tammy Greco.

Roll Call Vote was Unanimous

Motion Carried

6. Motion by Nancy Ellis and seconded by Kristin Hopkins to accept the presented website design from Chris Kennedy. Larry Celaschi suggested we still contact the Mon Valley Vo-tech to make a website design for the borough. Thomas Santoro agreed we should give them a chance.

Roll Call Vote showed Nancy Ellis, Kristin Hopkins, Jerry Jericho, Paul Pivovarnik and Thomas Santoro voted "yes". Larry Celaschi and Joseph Smith voted "no".

Motion Carried

7. Motion by Thomas Santoro and seconded by Nancy Ellis to authorize the parking space for 5<sup>TH</sup> Street Escape Room.

Roll Call Vote was Unanimous

Motion Carried

8. Motion by Joseph Smith and seconded by Thomas Santoro to advertise the ordinance prohibiting sleeping in motor vehicles. Solicitor John Petrisek will develop it and bring to council at June meeting to review.

Roll Call Vote was Unanimous

Motion Carried

At this point in the meeting, President Paul Pivovarnik recessed the meeting until Tuesday, May 26, 2026 at 6pm. To get further clarification on Agenda Item #9 – Authorize to promote Sam Kopach to full time with benefits.

The **Recessed Meeting** of Charleroi Borough Council was held on May 26, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

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

Also, present were: Mayor Edward Bryner, Solicitor John Petrisek, Borough Manager Joseph Manning and Borough Secretary Tammy Greco.

9. Motion by Nancy Ellis and seconded by Larry Hopkins to promote Sam Kopach to full-time status.

Roll call vote showed Larry Hopkins, Nancy Ellis, Paul Pivovarnik and Joseph Smith voting "yes" and Kristin Hopkins, Jerry Jericho and Thomas Santoro voting "no".

Motion Carried

A motion wade by Larry Hopkins and seconded by Nancy Ellis to adopt PPO Blue Matrix 1000 Healthcare coverage for non-union personnel with single coverage at no cost to the employee and any other level coverage at a 25% cost to the employee less the difference of single coverage.

Roll Call Vote was Unanimous

Motion Carried

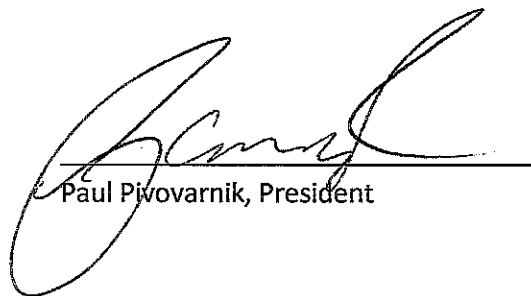
#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- The next Charleroi Borough Council Agenda meeting is June 3, 2026 at 4PM.
- The next Charleroi Borough Council Business meeting is June 10, 2026 at 6PM.

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

All in Favor

Motion Carried



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Paul Pivovarnik, President

*Tammy Greco*

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Tammy Greco, Borough Secretary