The **Agenda Meeting and meeting of General Purposes** of Charleroi Borough Council was held on October 7, 2026 at 4:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

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

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

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

Dr. Joseph Pagano presented "Mon Valley Recovery Housing & Workforce Revitalization Center" for a $1,000,000 LSA Grant. Mr. Pagano would like the Borough for up to 2% for eligible legal, advertising, staff and grant-administration costs. The property is 601 McKean Avenue, the former Rego's Restaurant and Hotel. Mark St. Cyr, Construction Superintendent, spoke about the construction and revitalization of the property.

Aaron from Remington Vernick gave his report and answered Council's questions.

Item #3 on the Agenda – "Motion to adopt a formal Resolution for a Moratorium on Data Centers" was presented to Council by Solicitor John Petrisek.

A motion by Tom Santoro and seconded by Kristin Hopkins to adopt the Resolution for a Moratorium on Data Centers.

Roll call Vote was Unanimous **Motion Carried**

Council members went over the discussion items and set the Agenda for next week's meeting.

At this time, Council went to executive session regarding Real Estate.

The **Regular Meeting** of Charleroi Borough Council was held on October 14, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in 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, and Thomas Santoro.

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

Motion by Jerry Jericho and seconded by Nancy Ellis to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from September 9, 2026.

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous Motion Carried

PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

A presentation by Dennis Martinak from Harshman CE Group regarding a proposal for the Data Center Ordinance with timeline of 180 days from start to finish at the cost of $9,000.00. Mr. Martinak would work hand in hand with our Solicitor John Petrisek.

Finance: Tom Santoro will have budget numbers next month.
Public Works: Tom Santoro read the Street Report.
Parks and Recreation/Community Outreach: Jerry Jericho said the DEP came to test the water at Woodland Park and the results should be back in 2-3 weeks. We may need to install French drains. Nancy Ellis spoke about the vaccine clinic that Club Serenity hosted; 135 people came with pets. Club Serenity will host a vaccine clinic for humans along with Giant Eagle on October 16 from 10-2pm. Nancy mentioned the Halloween events in town including the Business Trick or Treat and Parade on October 28, Trunk or Treat at the school held by the Charleroi Regional Police Department on October 29 and

Charleroi Trick or Treat on October 31 from 6-7:30. There is also a Ribbon Cutting and Dedication Ceremony for the Gazebo on Saturday, October 24 at 12pm. Nancy thanked everyone involved for the hard work and teamwork in completing the Gazebo. Nancy also spoke regarding Thanksgiving and St. Andrew the Apostle Church with CAMA will be giving meals and more information will be upcoming.
Community Planning: Kristin spoke about the Multi-Modal plan, LSA Grant to repair the steps and she is also reaching out to businesses in town
Code, Fire EMS and Animal Control: Jerry Jericho read the Animal Control Report. Jaime Stache read the Code Enforcement Report. Jerry requested financials for all income from the Code Office. Chief Bobby Whiten gave the Fire Department Report and mentioned the Cash Bash on Saturday, November 21 and the Gift Card ticket. Larry Celaschi requested and update on restitution and recovery report.
Personnel: There was nothing to report on Personnel.
Police: Mayor Ed Bryner stated there is a Police Meeting on Wednesday, October 21 at the Speers Borough Building. Jerry Jericho mentioned the police are losing officers.
Mayor: Mayor Ed Bryner mentioned there is a Tri County Borough meeting this Thursday in Cokeburg.

At this time, Council went to Executive Session regarding Real Estate.

AGENDA:

1. Motion by Kristin Hopkins and seconded by Tom Santoro to adopt a Resolution authorizing Council to make an offer for the purchase of Real Estate subject to terms and conditions as to be negotiated, approved and prepared by the Solicitor.

   Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous — Motion Carried

2. Motion by Tom Santoro and seconded by Jerry Jericho to approve the September bills.

   Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous — Motion Carried

3. Motion by Larry Celaschi and seconded by Tom Santoro to table the approval of the Charleroi Regional Police Budget with the Borough's amount at $980,086.90 for 2027.

   Discussion: Larry Celaschi is concerned about the cost but we can negotiate. $5,000 reduction and 3 officers leaving. Tom Santoro wants them to whittle down the price. Jerry Jericho would like all the boards to get together. Paul Pivovarnik wants our representatives to go to the Police Board meeting and restructure. Kristin Hopkins said they need to go and represent our Council.

   Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous — Motion Carried

4. Motion by Kristin Hopkins and seconded by Tom Santoro to approve the Website Proposal from CivicPlus at the Year one cost with setup at $6,511.00 and Year two cost of $8,622.00 and 5% uplift each year after, using Act 13 monies w/no cost to taxpayers.

   Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous — Motion Carried

5. Motion by Kristin Hopkins and seconded by Larry Celaschi to approve a Partnership with Club Serenity on Mon Valley Recovery Housing & Workforce Revitalization Center. Roll call vote showed Larry Celaschi, Nancy Ellis, Kristin Hopkins, Jerry Jericho and Paul Pivovarnik with yea votes and Tom Santoro with a nay vote.

   Roll Call Vote Was 5-1 — Motion Carried

6. Motion by Jerry Jericho and seconded by Nancy Ellis to approve the engineers to write an LSA Grant to replace/repair the concrete steps. Jerry Jericho stated Engineers are ready to apply.

Roll Call Vote was Unanimous Motion Carried

7. Mold Testing Results – Borough Manager Joe Manning discussed the results of the mold testing in the Borough Building. The testing did show mold in the basement. There was discussion with Kristin Hopkins stating she spoke with the company that did the mold testing and only the reading in the basement is high and the water needs to be drained. Larry Celaschi stated that a mold cleaner to be used and getting a dehumidifier should solve the problem.

8. Motion by Kristin Hopkins and seconded by Nancy Ellis to purchase a one-year contract with GovPilot for Code Enforcement Software at a cost of $4,800.00 using Act 13 monies with no cost to the taxpayers.

   Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous Motion Carried

9. A motion was made by Jerry Jericho and seconded by Nancy Ellis to approve the Accessible Parking stall at 504 Meadow Avenue.

   Discussion: Solicitor John Petrisek suggested putting in the form of an Ordinance that Accessible Parking allowing only one space per property owner.

   Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous Motion Carried

10. Adopting a Leash Law – Solicitor John Petrisek will develop a Leash Law to be presented at a later meeting.

11. Motion by Tom Santoro and seconded by Kristin Hopkins to Amend the Agenda adding Open Bid on 2 lots on Woodland Avenue.

    Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous Motion Carried

12. Motion by Tom Santoro and seconded by Kristin Hopkins to accept the bid on the 2 parcels , 160-026-00-01-0015-00 and 160-026-00-01-0016-00, advertised on Woodland Avenue at $500.00 each subject to the following terms and conditions: buyer shall be responsible to pay all costs associated with this conveyance including but not limited to, cost preparing the deed, recording fees and transfer taxes.

    Roll Call vote was Unanimous Motion Carried

    Motion by Tom Santoro and seconded by Kristin Hopkins to adjourn the meeting.

    All in Favor Motion Carried

COMMENTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The next Charleroi Borough Council Agenda meeting is November 4, 2026 at 4PM.
- The next Charleroi Borough Council Regular meeting is November 9, 2026 at 6PM.

Paul Pivovarnik, President

Tammy Greco, Borough Secretary