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Borough Council Meeting
June 18 2025

Patrick McCoy, President	Member, 1 st Ward	Term Expires: 12/31/25
Nicole Scimone, Vice President	Member, 4 th Ward	Term Expires: 12/31/27
Bryan Travis	Member, 2 nd Ward	Term Expires: 12/31/27
Brian McGinnis	Member, 3 rd Ward	Term Expires: 12/31/25
Sheila Vaccaro	Member, 5 th Ward	Term Expires: 12/31/25
Bernie Flynn	Member, 6 th Ward	Term Expires: 12/31/27
Lisa Dorsey	Member, 7 th Ward	Term Expires: 12/31/25

Mayor: Lillian L. DeBaptiste

Borough Manager: Sean Metrick

Public Hearing @ 6:30 PM:

An Ordinance amending the Code of the Borough of West Chester, Chapter 54, titled Electrical Standards, Chapter 72, titled Mechanical Standards, and Chapter 82, titled Plumbing, by amending the licensing requirements for electrical contractors, mechanical contractors, and plumbing contractors performing work in the Borough of West Chester.

Borough Council Meeting:

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Announcements:
 - 1) The Borough Administrative offices will be closed on Thursday, June 19th in honor of Juneteenth.
 - 2) Vacancies on the Borough of West Chester Planning Commission and Transportation Advisory Committee. Please see the following link for further information: <https://westchester.com/DocumentCenter/View/29687/Boards-and-Commissions-Vacancies--PC-and-TAC>
- IV. Comments, suggestions, petitions by residents in attendance regarding items that are not on the agenda (*Please be advised that all public comment has a 5-minute time limit.*)
- V. Comments by the Borough Council and the Mayor
- VI. Reports/Presentations:
 - 1) West Chester Community Campus Committee, Academic Year Report to Council
Dr. Julie Dietrich – West Chester University

- 2) Citation of Appreciation to former Rail Restoration Committee Members – Presented by Mayor Lillian DeBaptiste
 - Jo Ann Kelton
 - Thomas R Hickey

VII. New Business:

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A. Discussion:

- 1) Motion to approve letter of support to Safe Harbor of Chester County for their proposed building project (attachment)

Issue: Provide requested letter of support for grant funding opportunities

B. Approve the June 18, 2025 Consent Agenda:

- 1) Motion to schedule a Public Hearing, July 16 @ 6:30 PM, to approve the five-year business plan with the West Chester Business Improvement District. (attachment)
- 2) Motion to approve Flash Express Pay Parking agreement (attachment)
Issue: Flash will provide one year of free payment enhancement technology for both Borough garages to allow registered parkers easy in and out access at all Flash locations.
- 3) Motion to temporarily amend memorandum of understanding with Hotel Indigo for overage of allotted monthly parkers in the amount of \$7 per day per car. (attachment)
Issue: Amend MOU in the amount of \$7 per day per car for overages temporarily; and revisit costs when additional data is collected
- 4) Motion to approve updated resolution for Brandywine Valley Wayfinding Project (attachment)
Issue: Resolution required for project
- 5) Motion to approve Resolution regarding handicapped parking spaces (attachment)
 - a) 708 S. Adams Street- add
 - b) 108 S. Adams Street- add*Issue: Add Handicapped parking spaces to indicated properties*
- 6) Motion to approve sales of items on Municibid. There are two salt spreaders, three decommissioned Ford Explorers and a decommissioned PW truck (44-16).
Issue: Items over \$500 in value require Council approval for sale
- 7) Motion to reallocate capital project budget expenses for Parks and Recreation 2025 – Horace Pippin Park and John O Green Park (attachment)
Issue: Costs are being adjusted due to pricing changes
- 8) Motion to approve purchasing requests (attachment):
 - a) Eagle Point Gun for \$18,000.00
 - b) Marshall Square Park repairs for \$18,980.32
 - c) Adorama for \$21,136.35

- d) Motorola for \$18,750.00
- e) USALCO for \$12,835.20
- f) T2 Systems for \$15,402.00

Issue: Review and recommend the approval of purchase orders exceeding \$10,000

- 9) Motion to approve candidates submitted by the Mayor to Borough Council for hire as police officers.

Issue: Borough Council approval required for candidates for hire and promotion in Police Department.

- 10) Motion to approve special events applications (attachment)

- a) St Agnes Feast of the Assumption, August 10, 2025.

- b) Mount Carmel COGIC, partnering with the Mayor's, Office Block Party, July 19, 2025

Issue: Review and approve special events applications

- 11) Motion to approve HARB Certificates of Appropriateness (attachment)

Issue: Consider a Motion to approve the May HARB Certificate of Appropriateness

- a) 2025-10-17 N. High St-Sign

- b) 2025-16 202 W. Gay St-Convert door to retail window

- c) 2025-17-235 E. Market St-Sign

- 12) Motion to approve Resolution for final subdivision plans for minor lot line change at 401 W Washington St., Elks Club (attachment)

- 13) Motion to approve the request from the BID to appoint Deborah Mack to fill a vacancy on the BID Board of Directors

- 14) Motion to appoint Pennoni as alternate zoning officer; and, to manage all Land Development/Subdivision applications

Issue: Approve alternate zoning officer to manage Land Development/Subdivision applications

- 15) Motion to approve Solicitor attendance at the Zoning Hearing for 400 North Penn Street, Change of Use application (attachment)

Item: Discuss need for Solicitor attendance at the June 23, 2025 Hearing

IX. Other Business:

X. Adjournment