

**Pennington Borough Council
Regular Meeting—October 6, 2025**

Mayor Davy called the Regular Meeting of the Borough Council to order at 7:00 pm. The meeting was held via Zoom. Borough Clerk Betty Sterling called the roll with Council Members Angarone, Chandler, Marciante, Rubenstein, Stem and Valenza in attendance.

Also present were Borough Clerk Betty Sterling, Borough Attorney Walter Bliss, Borough Administrator GP Caminiti, Public Works Superintendent Rick Smith, Sergeant Daryl Burroughs and Chief Financial Officer Sandra Webb.

Mayor Davy announced that notice of this meeting has been given to the Hopewell Valley News, Trenton Times, and Trentonian and was posted on the bulletin board at Borough Hall and on the Borough website according to the regulations of the Open Public Meetings Act.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Mayor Davy read the following statement.

The meeting is now open to the public for comments. In an effort to provide everyone interested an opportunity to address his or her comments to the Governing Body, a public comment time limit has been instituted for each speaker. **Please raise your hand and when the Borough Administrator acknowledges you state your name and address for the record. Please limit comments to the Governing Body to a maximum of 2 minutes.**

Ms. Reba Holley of 200 S. Main Street inquired about the hours for doing lawn work on the weekends and suggested that the hours be changed to a later start. Ms. Holley asked if Borough Council has considered adopting an ordinance to require ICE agents to remove their masks if they come into Pennington Borough. Mr. Caminiti stated that he would look into her requests.

MAYOR'S BUSINESS

Hopewell Fire Department & Emergency Medical Unit

Request to Address Council

Mayor Davy read the following Proclamation:

2025 Communities of Light Proclamation

WHEREAS, it is the policy of Pennington Borough to recognize organizations that have contributed to the overall benefit of the community; and

WHEREAS, Younity (formerly Womanspace), founded in 1977, has demonstrated a unique ability to provide comfort, support services, crisis intervention and safety to women, men and children who are victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and strangulation; and

WHEREAS, Younity (formerly Womanspace), in the belief that “peace begins at home”, has asked the Mercer County Community to join them in their struggle against family violence by participating in their annual Communities of Light project; and

WHEREAS, Younity (formerly Womanspace) has provided emergency shelter in secure locations and comprehensive services for victims of domestic violence since 1977, sexual assault since 2002 and strangulation since 2024, for more than 130,204 women, 17,782 children and 9,397 men. Additionally, Younity (formerly Womanspace) has assisted more than 332,296 hotline callers over the last 48 years; and

WHEREAS, Pennington Borough commends Younity (formerly Womanspace) for their efforts to bring an end to the cycle of interpersonal violence imposed on women, men, and children; and

WHEREAS, as Mayor of Pennington Borough I urge that each and every household demonstrate their support of the concept that “peace begins at home” by placing luminaries along their driveways and sidewalks on Monday, October 27, 2025, as a visible symbol of that support; and

WHEREAS, the proceeds from Communities of Light 2025 will be used to fund vital services for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, strangulation and human trafficking.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, James Davy, Mayor of the Borough of Pennington, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim October 27, 2025, as

COMMUNITIES OF LIGHT DAY

and hereby honor Younity (formerly Younity) on its many accomplishments and wish them continued success with Communities of Light in the years to come.

"Peace Begins at Home. It Shines Through Our Communities."

Acknowledgement of Receipt – Submission of Community Response Letter – Senior Center Redevelopment Proposal – Mayor Davy acknowledged receipt of a letter from the residents in the area of Reading Street. Mayor Davy stated that there are residents in attendance and if Council agrees he will allow residents to speak tonight. Mayor Davy stated that there are no plans at this time to develop the Senior Center property, we are just in the discussion phase only. Mayor Davy assured residents that he will keep them informed when discussions are taking place.

Christian Davis of 402 Reading Street expressed his opposition to inclusion of the Senior Center property in the Affordable Housing Plan. Mr. Davis stated several items of concern including access for emergency vehicles.

Alicia Kapheim of 318 Hale Street expressed her opposition to inclusion of the Senior Center property in the Affordable Housing Plan. Ms. Kapheim expressed concern specifically with light pollution which can lead to health issues.

Pat Totaro of 400 Reading Street stated that she supports diversity housing in our community however the potential project at the Senior Center property is not suitable and would bring a level of traffic and noise along with safety concerns with only one way in and one way out.

Veena Juroshek of 409 Reading Street stated that when she first heard of this proposal she thought it was a great idea but she has concerns about the traffic going in and out and the safety of their neighborhood. Ms. Juroshek stated that development of 5 to 7 units of affordable housing would be fine but not a high-density development.

Peter Tierney of 214 Hale Street expressed his concerns with access to the High School and Middle School for potential students who would be living in the proposed development.

Mollie O'Connor of 324 Hale Street stated that she supports affordable housing, but it should carefully planned with access to jobs and schools and also near public transit.

John O'Connor of 324 Hale Street expressed his concerns with access to potential development for emergency vehicles in particular fire trucks. Mr. O'Connor stated that he is in favor of affordable housing but this would not be a good location.

Mayor Davy stated that Council will be discussion affordable housing over the next few weeks and months and he will be notifying residents when meetings will be taking place.

PRESENTATIONS

Chief Financial Officer, Sandra Webb presented the Best Practices Inventory to Council. Mrs. Webb stated that this has been a requirement for about a decade. Mrs. Webb stated that this year there are 70 questions that provide vital information to the State for evaluation on financial and operational best practices. Mrs. Webb stated that the list covers items such as budget, capital, personnel, shared services and many other topics. Mrs. Webb stated that of the 70 questions 43 of them are scored questions that count for points and this year we are at 39 points so we will not be losing any of our State Aid for this year. Mrs. Webb stated that she will review the items that we answered no to. Mrs. Webb stated that 13 and 14 have to do with electric charging stations and a policy for electric or hybrid vehicles and we do not have either. Mrs. Sterling stated that 31 and 32 relate to having an insurance broker and the process that was undertaken and with the change to the HIF, the Borough did contract with an insurance broker. Mrs. Webb stated that questions 34 and 35 have to do with Lead Paint inspections which we are not currently doing. Mrs. Webb stated that the last one is related to posting labor contracts on the website. Council felt that the contracts should be posted. Mrs. Webb stated that if they get posted before submission, then she will adjust the answer to yes. Mrs. Webb stated that we have answered no on many of the unscored questions and historically unscored questions eventually become scored questions and that is a bit concerning for next year. Council Members had questions on some of the questions on the inventory.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council Member Marciante made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 2, 2025, Regular Meeting, second by Council Member Rubenstein with all members present voting in favor with the exception of Ms. Angarone who abstained.

APPROVAL OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES (for content but not for release)

Council Member Marciante made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 2, 2025, Closed Session for content but not for release, second by Council Member Chandler with all members present voting in favor with the exception of Ms. Angarone and Ms. Stern who abstained.

ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION

Mayor Davy read Ordinance 2025-13 by title.

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
ORDINANCE #2025 – 13**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2025-8 TO PROVIDE FOR AND DETERMINE THE
RATE OF COMPENSATION OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF
PENNINGTON, COUNTY OF MERCER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
FOR THE YEAR 2025**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON AS
FOLLOWS:**

1. Ordinance 2025-8, known and referred to as the Borough Salary ordinance, is hereby amended to increase by three dollars (\$3) the hourly compensation of the Borough's part-time Technical Assistant to Construction (deleted language crossed out and new language underlined) as follows:

SECTION I: EMPLOYMENT POSITIONS/ANNUAL COMPENSATION

- a. The following officer and employee designations are hereby confirmed; and the rate of compensation of each such officer and employee, whose compensation shall be on an annual basis, is as follows:

Borough Administrator	\$150,000.00
Borough Clerk	\$49,621.98
Assistant CFO	\$119,063.59
Chief Financial Officer (part time)	\$95.81/hour
Tax Collector (part time)	\$95.81/hour
Technical Assistant to Construction (part time)	\$28.56 <u>31.56</u> /hour
Tax Assessor (part time)	\$15,140.28
Zoning Officer (part time)	\$10,000.00
Land Use Admin/Admin Asst.	\$68,500.00
Deputy Registrar	\$175.00 / month
Supt. of Public Works	\$95,878.60
Licensed Water Operator	\$53,501.29
Assistant to Superintendent of Public Works	\$44,151.47
Foreman	\$84,715.63
Judge of Municipal Court	\$14,394.77
Court Administrator (part time)	\$19,998.13
Prosecutor - (Flat Rate per Court Session/per resolution)	\$ 300.00
Public Defender – (Flat Rate per Court Session/per resolution)	\$ 200.00
Court Officer – (Flat Rate per Court Session)	\$75.00
Chief of Police	\$149,383.00
Administrative Assistant – Police Department	\$49.68/hour
Construction Official / Fire Sub-Code	\$31,318.32
Plumbing Sub-Code	\$10,000.00
Electric Sub-Code	\$10,000.00

- a. One person may serve in more than one office or position of employment as listed in Section a hereof.

- b. The amounts shown in Section a. hereof are the maximum amounts to be paid. However, at the discretion of Borough Council, lesser amounts can be paid.
- c. The rate of compensation of each employee paid on an hourly basis is as follows:

	Minimum	Maximum
Police Department:		
Crossing Guards	\$ 15.13	\$ 29.29
Crossing Guard – Special Events	\$ 40.00 per hour	
Special Police	\$ 17.00 per hour	
Part Time Employees – All Departments:		
Part Time or Temporary	\$ 15.13	\$ 25.00
Part Time/Temporary/Licensed	up to a maximum of	\$ 100.00

SECTION II: Employee/Personnel Manual.

The terms and conditions of employment as set forth in the Borough Employee or Personnel Manual, as the same may exist and change from time to time, are hereby incorporated herein by reference. The Personnel Manual does not create a contract of employment and except for employees who are tenured; no contract of employment other than “at will” has been expressed or implied. The policies, rules and benefits described in the Manual are subject to change at the sole discretion of the Borough Council at any time.

SECTION III:

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION IV:

Terms and Conditions of employment for Police and Public Works employees are specified in the respective labor agreements.

SECTION V:

This ordinance shall take effect upon final adoption and publication according to law, but the salaries herein provided for shall be retroactive to January 1, 2025 if appropriate, except the hourly increase for the Technical Assistant to Construction shall be retroactive to August 5, 2025.

Council Member Angarone made a motion to open the Public Hearing on Ordinance 2025-13, second by Council Member Stern. There were no comments from the public. Council Member Marciante made a motion to close the public hearing, second by Council Member Chandler with all members present voting in favor. Mr. Caminiti explained that the only change to the ordinance is an increase for the Technical Assistant to Construction. Council Member Chandler made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2025-13, second by Council Member Angarone with all members present voting in favor.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Personnel/ Economic Development- Ms. Angarone reported that Personnel met September 9th and discussed budget requests with respect to personnel as well as the performance evaluation and development plan for employees. Ms. Angarone stated that at the next meeting in November they will discuss the idea of changing their meeting schedule from monthly to either every other month or quarterly.

Ms. Angarone stated that Economic Development met on September 23rd and they discussed collaboration with Parks and Recreation for events downtown. Ms. Angarone stated that they discussed budget requests for next year and they have agreed to seek quotes for new Welcome to Pennington signs. Ms. Angarone stated that they discussed the work going on downtown and what could be done to improve communication. Ms. Angarone stated that they discussed redevelopment projects and they noted that Borough Hall need for a communication person either full-time or part time.

Ms. Angarone stated that Mr. Marciante attended the Senior Advisory meeting this month.

Public Works/ Planning Board/ Historic Preservation – Ms. Stern reported that Public Works met and reviewed the status of road projects including the paving work done by Mercer County. Ms. Stern stated that Elizabethtown Gas will be repairing roads where the new gas line work has been done. Ms. Stern stated that they discussed the sidewalk repair program which is not quite ready to come to Council but should be finalized soon. Ms. Stern stated that they discussed the Lead Service Line RFP which is the first step in understanding the costs so that a proposal for how costs should be allocated can be developed. Ms. Stern stated that after reviewing the PFAS report from Van Note Harvey and doing some background work they feel that the best solution for the Borough would be an Ion Exchange System. Mr. Caminiti has been in contact with the engineer for Rocky Hill who was successful in getting them grant funding and he will be submitting a proposal for assisting the Borough will seeking funding for this project. Ms. Stern stated that Phoenix Advisors prepared a financial analysis for the financial value of owning our own water system. Ms. Stern stated that there are some unanswered questions that

need to be answered before they can bring a recommendation to Council.

Ms. Stern reported that Historic Preservation met and though she was unable to attend, they discussed the front windows on North Main Street and they discussed maintenance of trees on County roads in the Historic District and they would like to attend the next work session to discuss this topic. Ms. Stern stated that Historic Preservation is working on a better way to inform new owners in the Historic District of regulations related to their properties.

Finance & Technology/ Public Safety/ Aboretum / Landfill – Ms. Chandler reported that work on the Landfill continues and there is a resolution on later in the meeting for supplemental funding. Mrs. Chandler thanked Kieran John and the Boy Scout troops who worked on labeling trees and repairing bridges at the Arboretum.

Mrs. Chandler stated that Public Safety met and discussed the budget and vehicle inventory in preparation for the 2026 budget. Mrs. Chandler stated that they would like to proceed with the radar feedback signs along Main and Delaware which are County roads coming into town. Mrs. Chandler stated that Ms. Angarone reached out to Frenchtown who already have the signs installed and they recommended reaching out to a traffic engineer which they did and it evolved into a discussion of traffic throughout the town and they are going to prepare a proposal for Council to consider.

Mrs. Chandler stated that leads into her report on Finance because items such as hiring a traffic engineer will need to be included in budget requests for 2026. Mrs. Chandler stated that budget season has started, budget sheets and questionnaires have been sent out to departments and committee chairs and they are due by October 31st. Mrs. Chandler stated this is the opportunity to include items that have been discussed in committees but if they don't make it into the budget, then they are not going to happen.

Mrs. Chandler stated that Public Safety discussed Halloween and like last year no roads will be closed, but there will be police officers out assisting with traffic.

Environmental Commission / Shade Tree/ Library Board – Mr. Rubenstein stated that Environmental Commission met and worked on the environmental element of the Master Plan and they will be forwarding ideas and recommendations to the Planning Board. Mr. Rubenstein stated that they also discussed the recent Community Conversations meeting that was held.

Mr. Rubenstein reported that the Library Board met and received an update on library programs and attendance. Mr. Rubenstein stated that the Library is working on proposals for facility upgrades but due to the costs they are not going to replace furniture but will likely repair what they have.

Mr. Rubenstein stated that Shade Tree continues to work on the Community Forestry Management Plan and they are gathering information on tree removal, tree planting, Memorial Trees and DPW labor to complete the report.

Parks & Recreation – Mr. Marciante reported that the September 5th concert event was well attended, the Fire Company cooked hotdogs and hamburgers, Needlecreek Brewery had a beer garden and it was a great event. Mr. Marciante stated that we need to continue to hold events like this to get the community together.

Senior Advisory Board - Mr. Marciante reported that the senior birthday breakfast was held on October 3rd and in the beginning of the year they hold another one and it is free if your birthday is within the months covered. Mr. Marciante stated that on October 21st, there will be a flu clinic at the Borough, residents need to call to register. Mr. Marciante stated that free smoke detector testing is available and also the township has a program called HV rides to assist residents in getting to doctor appointments etc. Mr. Marciante stated that senior volunteers are needed to read to children at the elementary schools. Ms. Angarone stated that the Senior website is a great and provides information on all of the many programs offered to seniors.

Board of Health/ Net Zero Committee – Mr. Valenza stated that the Board of Health held a joint meeting in September, he was unable to attend but he forwarded the Board of Health report for posting on the website.

NEW BUSINESS

BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON RESOLUTION 2025 – 10.1

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS

BE IT RESOLVED that a refund be issued from the Other Trust Fund to Tara Ribeca, 675 Montgomery Road, Hillsborough, NJ 08844, for a refund of Security Deposit for Kunkel Park reservation on 9/27/25 in the amount of \$500.00.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Angarone	X				Rubenstein	X			
Chandler	M				Stern	X			
Marciano	S				Valenza	X			

Council Member Chandler made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-10.1, second by Council Member Marciano with all members present voting in favor.

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION 2025 – 10.2**

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS

WHEREAS, certain bills are due and payable as per itemized claims listed on the following schedules, which are made a part of the minutes of this meeting as a supplemental record;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pennington that the bills be paid on audit and approval of the Mayor, the Appropriate Council Member and the Treasurer in the amount of \$1,786,298.34 from the following accounts:

Current	\$ 1,167,404.06
W/S Operating	\$ 485,984.65
General Capital	\$ 90,847.75
Grant Fund	\$ 736.27
Open Space Fund	\$ 5,890.00
COAH Trust Fund	\$ 364.00
Developer's Escrow	\$ 4,921.61
Other Trust Fund	\$ 30,150.00
TOTAL	\$ 1,786,298.34

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Angarone	X				Rubenstein	X			
Chandler	S				Stern	X			
Marciano	M				Valenza	X			

Council Member Marciano made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-10.2, second by Council Member Chandler with all members present voting in favor.

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION 2025 – 10.3**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PREPARATION OF SUPPLEMENTAL HDSRF GRANT
APPLICATION AND RELATED PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
AGREEMENT WITH EXCEL ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES, INC.
IN CONNECTION WITH SUPPLEMENTAL REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION
FOR BLOCK 205 / LOTS 4, 5 AND 12**

WHEREAS, Excel Environmental Resources, Inc. (“Excel”) seeks to apply to the State of New Jersey on behalf of the Borough for supplemental grant funds from the Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund (HDSRF) to install two additional bedrock wells in place of well DEP-2 at the Borough Sanitary Landfill on Delaware Avenue in the Borough and will perform related services funded by these funds;

WHEREAS, Excel has spoken to the NJDEP about the need for the additional wells and they have indicated that they will issue a Supplemental HDSRF Grant to cover the costs;

WHEREAS, Excel has advised the Borough that it will prepare a supplemental HDSRF application in the amount of \$57,492 for execution by the Borough to cover these costs; but Excel will not wait for the funds to be issued because it is confident that NJDEP and EDA will approve the work;

WHEREAS, in order to proceed immediately with installation of the additional wells, because the data are essential to completion of Excel's remedial investigation of the site, Excel agrees to proceed with the well installation at its own risk, with no cost or exposure to the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington, as follows:

1. Excel Environmental Resources, Inc. ("Excel") is hereby authorized to proceed with preparation of the above described Supplemental HDSRF Grant application;
2. the Mayor, with the attestation of the Borough Clerk as needed, is hereby authorized (a) to execute that Grant Application; and (b) to enter into the attached Professional Services Agreement with Excel, subject to such amendments as approved by the Borough Attorney to hold the Borough harmless if in Excel's sole judgment it proceeds with the construction of the new wells before official approval of the related funding by NJDEP and EDA.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Angarone				abstain	Rubenstein	X			
Chandler	M				Stern	S			
Marciano	X				Valenza	X			

Council Member Chandler made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-10.3, second by Council Member Stern. Mr. Bliss requested a change to the title of the resolution, the lots should read 4, 5 and 12 and the deletion of language at the end of the third Whereas clause. Upon a roll call vote all members present voted in favor with the exception of Ms. Angarone who abstained.

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION 2025-10.4**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE TO DELTA DENTAL BENEFIT
PLANS FOR VISION AND DENTAL COVERAGES AVAILABLE TO
BOROUGH EMPLOYEES ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS**

WHEREAS, Pennington Borough has entered into an Indemnity and Trust Agreement with NJ Solutions Joint Health Insurance Fund ("Fund") by which, effective September 1, 2025, the Borough will be a member of the Fund and participate in the health insurance coverages and prescription drug coverages offered by the Fund;

WHEREAS, Borough Council also seeks to offer Borough employees and retirees the option of obtaining vision and dental coverages but these coverages are not offered by the Fund at this time;

WHEREAS, Resolution 2025-8.4 authorized Capital Benefits, LLC to arrange for vision and dental coverages to be available to Borough employees and retirees on an optional, voluntary basis, effective September 1, 2025, through Principal Life Insurance Company of Des Moines, Iowa ("Principal Life");

WHEREAS, Capital Benefits has advised that these benefits are no longer available through Principal Life and recommends that comparable coverages be obtained through Delta Dental of Connecticut, Inc. of Glastonbury, Connecticut 06033, a subsidiary of Delta Dental of New Jersey, Inc. of Parsippany, New Jersey 07054 ("Delta Dental"), under plans approved by the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance;

WHEREAS, copies of the vision and dental plans available to Borough employees and retirees through Delta Dental via Capital Benefits, LLC are attached to this Resolution;

WHEREAS, employees and retirees may elect one or both or none of the coverages at applicable premiums, which shall be payable entirely by the insured without contribution from the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington, that the Borough Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to take such steps as necessary to ensure that, effective September 1, 2025 or as soon thereafter as practicable, Borough employees and retirees are offered the vision and dental coverages available to them through Delta Dental via Capital Benefits, LLC as described above; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Resolution 2025-8.4 is hereby rescinded and of no further force or effect.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Angarone	S				Rubenstein	M			
Chandler	X				Stern	X			
Marciano	X				Valenza	X			

Council Member Rubenstein made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-10.4, second by Council Member Angarone with all members present voting in favor.

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION 2025-10.5**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT AND ADDENDUM BETWEEN THE
BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON AND THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF HOPEWELL
TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1 (2025-2026)**

WHEREAS, the Pennington First Aid Squad, which provided emergency BLS medical services to Pennington Borough for almost 70 years, terminated its operations effective March 1, 2023;

WHEREAS, Pennington Borough and Hopewell Township Fire District No. 1 (“HTFD”) then entered into successive shared services agreements for 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 by which Pennington became a beneficiary of an agreement between HTFD and Capital Health in which Capital Health agreed to be the primary provider of emergency BLS services to Hopewell Valley, including Hopewell Township, Pennington Borough, and Hopewell Borough, for one year commencing on April 3, 2023;

WHEREAS, the Capital Health Contract provides that HTFD will be pay Capital Health an annual fee of \$200,000. to be reimbursed by the three municipalities;

WHEREAS, the reimbursement paid by Pennington Borough under the 2023-2024 shared services agreement was \$25,730, based on Pennington’s proportionate share of the combined population of the three municipalities;

WHEREAS, the Capital Health Contract is automatically renewable at the discretion of HTFD each year for five years, and HTFD renewed as well for the 2025-2026 contract years;

WHEREAS, Pennington Borough had the benefit of the Capital Health Contract during the 2024-2025 contract period and the Capital Health services have continued in the 2025-2026 contract year;

WHEREAS, earlier this year, in connection with finalizing the 2024-2025 shared services agreement, Pennington Borough and HTFD agreed to the elements of a reimbursement formula that would require Pennington to pay (a) a percentage of the \$200,000 Capital Health fee determined by dividing total emergency calls from Pennington Borough by total emergency calls from the three municipalities combined, and (b) some additional amount to be agreed upon for the next contract year based on independent professional analysis of **costs incurred by HTFD as the result of Pennington Borough participating in the Capital Health Contract (“costs allocable to HTFD”)**;

WHEREAS, Pennington Borough and HTFD entered into the shared services agreement for the 2024-2025 contract year (April to April) (“Shared Services Agreement 2024-2025”) incorporating to the extent possible at that time the new payment formula, retroactive to the beginning of that contract year;

WHEREAS, a credible sampling of Capital Health data for 2024 indicates that Pennington’s proportionate share of calls was 16.37% in the 2024-2025 contract year, implying by that criterion a share of the Capital Health annual fee equal to \$32,740;

WHEREAS, because the desired independent professional calculation of HTFD costs allocable to Pennington Borough could not be performed until the next contract year, Pennington agreed to pay HTFD the additional amount of \$7,260 but only as a credit against Pennington’s reimbursement obligation in the 2025-2026 contract year and without prejudice to the parties’ future good faith negotiation of that obligation;

WHEREAS, Pennington Borough’s total payment to HTFD under the Shared Services Agreement 2024-2025 amounted to \$40,000.00 including the \$7,260 credit;

WHEREAS, HTFD has recently presented to Pennington Borough a proposed Shared Services Agreement for 2025-2026 (to be effective April 3, 2025) but neither the negotiation of costs allocable to HTFD nor the independent financial analysis intended to be the basis for that negotiation has occurred to date4;

WHEREAS, the Borough has prepared an Addendum (“Addendum”) to the proposed Shared Services Agreement for 2025-2026 (“Proposed Agreement”) incorporating and carrying forward the payment formula in the Shared Services Agreement 2024-2025 and making other amendments restoring provisions of the 2024-2025 Agreement;

WHEREAS, payment for 2025-2026 under the amendments contained in the Addendum will therefore total \$40,000, consisting of a \$32,740 payment for Pennington’s share of Capital Health calls and \$7,260 to be credited against future costs allocable to HTFD still to be negotiated based on independent financial analysis;

WHEREAS, the Addendum also carries forward the unused \$7,260 credit generated under the 2024-2025 Agreement creating a total combined credit of \$14,520;

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified that the required funds are available;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington, that (1) the Mayor with the attestation of the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to execute and enter into the attached Addendum with Proposed Agreement attached; and (2) upon execution of the Addendum with Proposed Agreement attached by both parties, the Borough Clerk is hereby directed to take such steps as necessary to disburse to HTFD the full amount of \$40,000. as provided in the Addendum.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Angarone	X				Rubenstein	X			
Chandler	X				Stern	S			
Marciano	M				Valenza	X			

Mayor Davy stated that he scheduled a Closed Session in case Council wants to discuss this further, but if Council is comfortable proceeding then there is no need for the Closed Session. Council Member Marciano made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-10.5, second by Council Member Stern with all members present voting in favor.

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION 2025-10.6**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COMPLETION AND EXECUTION
OF GRANT AGREEMENT FOR AWARDED BPU COMMUNITY
ENERGY PLAN GRANT**

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities has awarded the Borough of Pennington a Community Energy Plan Grant in the amount of \$10,000 to assist the Borough in developing a Community Energy Plan aligned with goals and strategies in the New Jersey Energy Master Plan;

WHEREAS, a copy of the BPU award letter dated September 16, 2025 and specifying the terms of the grant is attached;

WHEREAS, receipt of the grant requires completion and approval of the attached Grant Agreement between the Board of Public Utilities and Pennington in accordance with instructions prepared by the BPU's Office of Clean Energy Equity;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington, as follows:

1. the BPU Community Energy Plan Grant in the amount of \$10,000 is hereby accepted in accordance with its terms;
2. the Mayor, with the attestation of the Clerk, is hereby authorized to enter into the attached Grant Agreement upon completion in accordance with BPU instructions.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Angarone				abstain	Rubenstein	S			
Chandler	X				Stern	X			
Marciano	M				Valenza	X			

Mr. Bliss briefly explained the grant. Council Member Marciano made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-10.6, second by Council Member Rubenstein with all members present voting in favor with the exception of Ms. Angarone who abstained.

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION 2025 – 10.7**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF 2026 NEW LABRIE AUTOMIZER RIGHT HAND 24 CUBIC YARD SIDE LOADER TO BE MOUNTED ON 2026 KENWORTH L770 CAB OVER CHASSIS FOR THE PENNINGTON PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH QUOTATION BY SANITATION EQUIPMENT CORP. THROUGH SOURCEWELL (CONTRACT 091521-NAF)

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of the Pennington Public Works Department has identified the need to purchase a new 2026 Kenworth L770 garbage truck and related equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Public Works has determined that the required equipment is available from Sanitation Equipment Corp. through Sourcewell (formerly the National Joint Powers Alliance); and

WHEREAS, Pennington Borough joined the National Joint Powers Alliance (now Sourcewell) by Resolution 2017-6.5 in June of 2017; and

WHEREAS, the National Joint Powers Alliance (now Sourcewell) accepted Pennington Borough's request to join and assigned Member # 132214 to the Borough; and

WHEREAS, Sanitation Equipment Corp. (“Dealer”) located in Totowa, New Jersey is an authorized dealer for the desired vehicle and has provided the Borough with a Quote dated July 23, 2025, by which it would sell to the Borough one (1) 2026 Kenworth L770 Cab over chassis with new Labrie Automizer Right Hand 24 cubic yard side loader and equipment as outlined in the attached quote for the price of \$443,412.62;

WHEREAS, purchase of the equipment through Sourcewell (formerly the National Joint Powers Alliance) conforms with the Local Public Contracts Law and does not require further public bidding; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available for this purchase at the revised price under General Capital Ordinance 2022-6 as amended by Ordinance 2025-11;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington (a) that the purchase of one (1) 2026 Kenworth L770 Cab Over Chassis with new Labrie Automizer Right Hand 24 Cubic Yard Side Loader with related equipment for the Pennington Borough Public Works Department pursuant to the attached proposal from Sanitation Equipment Corp. (Quote and related specifications dated July 23, 2025) is hereby authorized; and (b) the Borough Clerk and Chief Financial Officer are authorized to execute such purchase orders and other documents as are needed to effectuate this purchase.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Angarone	X				Rubenstein	X			
Chandler	X				Stern	S			
Marciano	M				Valenza	X			

Council Member Marciano made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-10.7, second by Council Member Stern with all members present voting in favor.

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION 2025 – 10.8**

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING PERMISSION FOR DEDICATION BY RIDER OF STORM RECOVERY
RESERVE FUND**

WHEREAS, permission is required of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for approval as a dedication by rider of revenues received by a county or municipality when the revenue is not subject to reasonably accurate estimates in advance; and

WHEREAS, PL 2013, c.271 and NJS 40A: 4-62.1 provide for establishment of a Storm Recovery Reserve Fund by the municipality to provide for the operating costs to administer this act; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-39 provides that dedicated revenues anticipated from the Storm Recovery are hereby anticipated as revenue and are hereby appropriated for the purpose to which said revenue is dedicated by statute or other legal requirement;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Governing Body does hereby request permission of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to establish a Storm Recovery Reserve Fund as provided by law.
2. The Governing Body does hereby request permission of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to pay expenditures from the Storm Recovery Reserve Fund as provided by law.
3. The Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Pennington, County of Mercer is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Angarone	X				Rubenstein	X			
Chandler	M				Stern	S			
Marciano	X				Valenza	X			

Council Member Chandler made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-10.8, second by Council Member Stern with all members present voting in favor.

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION 2025 – 10.9**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF OUTSTANDING CHECKS

WHEREAS the Chief Financial Officer has requested permission to cancel certain outstanding checks from the Current Fund, Water/Sewer Operating, and Other Trust Fund; and

WHEREAS, said outstanding checks should be cancelled and transferred to the proper statutory accounts – Current Fund - Miscellaneous Revenue Not Anticipated, Water/Sewer Operating – Miscellaneous Revenue Not Anticipated and Other Trust Fund – Security Deposits-Kunkel Park; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Borough Council to cancel said outstanding checks in the Current Fund totaling \$1,061.58, Water/Sewer Operating totaling \$435.02 and Other Trust Fund totaling \$1,000.00;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to cancel outstanding checks of the Borough as set forth on the attached listing.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Angarone	X				Rubenstein	X			
Chandler	X				Stern	S			
Marciano	M				Valenza	X			

Council Member Marciano made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-10.9, second by Council Member Stern with all members present voting in favor.

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION 2025-10.10**

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING EXTENSION OF AWARD
DATE FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR IMPROVEMENTS
TO ABEY DRIVE, MALLARD PLACE AND QUEENS LANE UNDER THE NJDOT - FY2024
MUNICIPAL AID PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) awarded funding for the 2024 fiscal year to the Borough of Pennington for a project consisting of improvements to Abey Drive, Mallard Place and Queens Lane in the amount of \$478,710.00; and

WHEREAS, the NJDOT has advised that the construction contract must be awarded within 24 months from the date of the execution of the grant agreement, establishing a deadline of October 31, 2025, and that failure to award a construction contract by that date would jeopardize the use of State funds on this project; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has been working on securing the required permits, finalizing the design and advertising for bids to award a contract; and

WHEREAS, the Borough plans to complete the project in 2026;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington that for the foregoing reasons, the Borough Council requests from the New Jersey Department of Transportation a six-month extension, to April 30 2026, for award of a construction contract for the above described Improvements to Abey Drive, Mallard Place and Queens Lane.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Angarone	X				Rubenstein	M			
Chandler	S				Stern	X			
Marciano	X				Valenza	X			

Council Member Rubenstein made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-10.10, second by Council Member Chandler with all members present voting in favor.

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION 2025 – 10.11**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MUNICIPAL CLERK TO ENDORSE ABC
APPLICATION BY THE PENNINGTON SCHOOL FOR
SOCIAL AFFAIR EVENT ON OCTOBER 25, 2025**

WHEREAS, The Pennington School, located at 1 North Main Street in Pennington (“Applicant”) is applying to the State Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) for a Social Affair Permit (File #816417) authorizing a reunion social event on October 25, 2025 (from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm);

WHEREAS, the proposed event will be a Social Affair sponsored by the Pennington School for which tickets will be sold with proceeds going to the Pennington School, a private school;

WHEREAS, the proposed location of the Applicant’s one-day event is Rush Precious Metals, LLC at 1 North Main Street in Pennington;

WHEREAS, the proposed hours of the Applicant’s event are from 7:00pm to 9:00 pm;

WHEREAS, the Applicant’s event will dispense wine in 6-ounce cups and malt alcoholic beverage in 14-ounce cups and distilled spirits in an 8-ounce cup inside the building as depicted in the Applicant’s attached sketch;

WHEREAS, ABC requires the Applicant to address age verification to prevent underage consumption; security personnel; prevention of intoxication; and other relevant subjects pertaining to the event;

WHEREAS, Applicant represents that for security they will be checking attendees identification and no minors will be permitted to attend;

WHEREAS, approximately 30 people are expected to attend the event;

WHEREAS, ABC requires that the application for this permit be endorsed by the Officer in Charge (Pennington’s highest ranking Police official) and the Borough Clerk;

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Resolution is to authorize that endorsement by the Borough Clerk subject to conditions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington, that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to endorse the above-described application of The Pennington School on the following conditions:

1. that the application be endorsed by the Officer in Charge of the Pennington Police Department (Pennington’s highest ranking Police Officer), subject to assignment of such paid detail police personnel as may be designated by him;
2. that the Applicant provide a certificate of liability insurance confirming adequate general liability, liquor law liability and automobile liability insurance with minimum limits of \$1 million per occurrence, employer’s liability insurance with minimum \$500,000 per occurrence, and workers compensation coverage as required by law;
3. that Applicant’s application be approved by ABC ; and
4. that Applicant complies with all representations made in support of its application and such additional requirements as may be imposed by the ABC.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Angarone	X				Rubenstein	S			
Chandler	M				Stern	X			
Marcante	X				Valenza	X			

Council Member Chandler made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-10.11, second by Council Member Rubenstein with all members present voting in favor.

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION 2025-10.12**

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ELIZABETH STERLING PENSION APPEAL

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Sterling is the Borough Clerk and Assistant CFO for the Borough of Pennington;

WHEREAS, as part of her job as Assistant CFO, from the beginning, Ms. Sterling has been responsible for collecting, depositing and accounting for the full range of Borough revenues, either directly or as a backup to others as needed;

WHEREAS, in November 2018, the Utility Collector for the Borough resigned and Ms. Sterling immediately picked up his responsibilities;

WHEREAS, in the Spring of 2019, after Ms. Sterling had absorbed these extra responsibilities as part of her regular workday, she was asked and she agreed to take them on permanently in exchange for a raise in salary;

WHEREAS, Borough Council memorialized this agreement in Resolution 2019-6.15 (copy attached) assigning her the additional responsibilities but mistakenly assigning to her as well the extra title of Utility Collector, effective July 1, 2019;

WHEREAS, assignment of the extra title to Ms. Sterling by Resolution 2019-6.15 was solely for budgeting purposes, to facilitate allocating the extra compensation to the Borough water/sewer utility;

WHEREAS, when Resolution 2019-6.15 was adopted there was no formal job description for the Assistant CFO title or the Utility Collector title or numerous other Borough titles, but in August 2023 Council Resolution 2023-8.9 approved job descriptions for 25 titles;

WHEREAS, Resolution 2023-8.9 (copy attached) approved a job description for “Assistant Chief Financial Officer” but not for “Utility Collector” because the latter functions were part of the Assistant CFO’s job;”

WHEREAS, the job description approved for “Assistant Finance Officer” (copy attached), which continues in effect, included at least four responsibilities, pertaining to collection, deposit and accounting for Borough funds:

- “7. Daily receipt and deposit of Borough funds”
- “8. Maintain accounts receivable and accounts payable for all Borough accounts”
- “11. Maintain internal control and safeguards for receipt of revenue, costs, and program budgets and actual expenditures”
- “12. Performs monthly account analysis and reconciliation of Balance Sheet accounts and subsidiary account”;

WHEREAS, in January 2024, as the result of an audit by the Division of Pensions and Benefits (DOPB), Ms. Sterling was notified by DOPB that the additional compensation for utility-collection responsibilities was not creditable for pension purposes in accordance with N.J.S.A. 43:15A-25.2, which provides that anyone who becomes employed in more than one position after the 2010 effective date of the amended statute shall be eligible for membership in the retirement system based upon only one of the positions held concurrently;

WHEREAS, in response to this determination, even while Ms. Sterling was appealing it to DOPB staff, Borough Council introduced in March and adopted on April 4, 2024 an amended salary ordinance, Ordinance No. 2024-4, deleting the title of “Utility Collector” from the ordinance and assigning related compensation to the position of Assistant CFO, compared to Ordinance 2023-9 listing the Utility Collector as a separate title (copies of both ordinance also attached);

WHEREAS, on July 1, 2024, Borough Council adopted Resolution 2024-7.4 which confirmed elimination of the Utility Collector title “with the understanding that Assistant CFO/Borough Clerk Elizabeth Sterling shall continue to have responsibility for utility collections in her capacity as Assistant CFO, and that nothing will change in that respect except elimination of the extra title.”

WHEREAS, the intent of Borough Council in taking these corrective actions was to avoid conflict with the statute while confirming elimination of the title Utility Collector and the expectation that Ms. Sterling would continue to perform utility-collection responsibilities as part of her job as Assistant CFO;

WHEREAS, Ms. Sterling’s appeals to DOPB staff resulted in a hearing before the Board of Trustees of the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) on September 17, 2025 and a decision by the Board memorialized in the attached letter by the Board Secretary dated September 26, 2025 ;

WHEREAS, at the core of Ms. Sterling's appeal to the Board was application of the remedial statute N.J.S.A. 43:15A-54, which permits the Board to correct mistakes made by the employer which are not the fault of the employee;

WHEREAS, the Board decided that effective July 1, 2024 (coinciding with Council's adoption of Resolution 2024-7.4), the extra compensation earned by Ms. Sterling for her utility-collection responsibilities shall be creditable for pension purposes; but the additional compensation for these responsibilities before that, dating back to June 2019, shall not;

WHEREAS, the decision by the Board permits Ms. Sterling to appeal that part of the determination with which she disagrees back to the Board by submitting a written statement setting forth in detail the reasons for her disagreement and any relevant documentation supporting her claim;

WHEREAS, Borough Council adopts this resolution to support that appeal by officially setting the record straight as to its intentions and pertinent related facts;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington, that Council hereby declares as follows:

1. that the intent of Resolution 2019-6.15, effective July 1, 2019, was to permanently assign utility-collection responsibilities to Elizabeth Sterling as part of her job as Assistant CFO in exchange for an increase in salary;
2. that this assignment of additional responsibilities was appropriate because the responsibilities were entirely compatible with Ms. Sterling's other revenue-collecting duties as Assistant CFO, and she had proven that she could perform them as part of her regular work day;
3. that the additional step of assigning Ms. Sterling the title of Utility Collector for budgetary purposes was unnecessary and a mistake for which she was not responsible.
4. that Borough Council supports Ms. Sterling's efforts to restore pension credit for her full salary under N.J.S.A. 43:15A-54 or other authority, and Council hereby authorize her to present this Resolution to DOPB, the PERS Board and others as needed for this purpose.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Angarone	X				Rubenstein	X			
Chandler	M				Stern	X			
Marciente	S				Valenza	X			

Mr. Bliss asked for the deletion of "on short notice" from the 3rd Whereas clause. Council Member Chandler made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-10.12, second by Council Member Marciente with all members present voting in favor.

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION 2025-10.13**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REIMBURSEMENT OF COUNTY OF MERCER FOR THE COST OF ASPHALT NEEDED TO PAVE CERTAIN BOROUGH STREETS

WHEREAS, the County of Mercer has agreed to provide the labor and equipment necessary to pave certain streets in the Borough, in particular Railroad Place, Green Street, Broemel Place and Curlis Avenue, as identified by the Public Works Committee, provided that the Borough reimburse the County for the cost of the asphalt needed; and

WHEREAS, Mercer County, having begun work on Railroad Place, will be submitting an invoice for the asphalt; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified that funds for the asphalt are available under Ordinance 2025-10;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington, that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to issue a purchase order to Mercer County D.O.T in the amount invoiced not to exceed \$128,250 for the asphalt costs related to paving the streets named above.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B
Angarone	X				Rubenstein	M			
Chandler	X				Stern	S			
Marciano	X				Valenza	X			

Council Member Rubenstein made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-10.13, second by Council Member Stern with all members present voting in favor.

Mayor Davy recognized Jason Read of the Hopewell Borough Fire Department and Emergency Medical Unit.. Mr. Read gave some statistics on the calls and volunteers for their squad. Mr. Read explained some of the changes that have taken place since Pennington Borough First Aid disbanded, including an increase in calls but also volunteerism. Mr. Read stated that they work very closely with Pennington Fire Department and Hopewell Fire District to coordinate calls and training. Mr. Read asked for some support in the budget to assist with their costs. Mr. Read explained that they are in the process of purchasing a lift stretcher and installation of a bunk room to house volunteers and give them a safe place to stay for overnight calls. Mr. Read stated that they have responded to 50 calls year to date in Pennington Borough. Mayor Davy asked how many calls were for Brandywine. Mr. Read stated that they are working with Brandywine to deter calls for ambulances when the patient is in good care where there is medical staff on site. Mr. Read suggested that the Borough consider an ordinance to deter some of the calls. Mayor Davy asked if Mr. Read could provide a sample ordinance. Mayor Davy stated that the Borough would be happy to sit in on meetings with Brandywine to provide support. Some discussion took place regarding charging for ambulance calls.

PROFESSIONAL REPORTS

Borough Administrator – Mr. Caminiti stated that Q4 has arrived and he is working on Employee Satisfaction Surveys and Performance Evaluations. There is one vacancy in Public Works that we are actively working on filling. Mr. Caminiti stated that other things he is working on have already been discussed under committee reports. Mr. Bliss gave a shout out to everyone involved with the disruptions due to the Elizabethtown Gas work. Mr. Bliss stated that 100% of the work is completed and the final thing will be an air test to ensure that nothing is leaking and the next phase will be the repaving of the roads. Mr. Caminiti stated that he is working on getting ahead of the road closures that will be coming due to the paving and with getting the word out to the community. Mr. Caminiti stated that Abey Drive is one of the roads set for paving and he will be coordinating with Elizabethtown Gas to possibly have them give the Borough a check for the cost of work since we have already been awarded a grant for road reconstruction of Abey Drive. Mrs. Chandler stated that she would like to think about this before we commit to Elizabethtown Gas. Mayor Davy asked Mr. Caminiti to get a sense of the timeline for the paving.

Borough Attorney- Walter Bliss – Mr. Bliss had nothing further.

Borough Clerk - Betty Sterling – Mrs. Sterling had nothing further to report.

Chief Financial Officer - Sandy Webb – Mrs. Webb left after her report earlier.

Superintendent of Public Works - Rick Smith – Mr. Smith stated that with regard to lead service lines out sampling comes back clear and does not show elevated levels of lead in the water. Mr. Smith stated that with regard to sidewalks there are some instances where the Borough gets involved with sidewalk repairs such as road projects and sidewalks near the parks. Mr. Smith mentioned some events that are coming up such as a pancake breakfast at the Fire Department, a blood drive, movie night at Kunkel Park, Oktoberfest at Trenton Cyrus Lodge and the Trunk or Treat sponsored by the Pennington Police Association.

Sergeant Burroughs – Sgt. Burroughs reported that the Trunk or Treat will be on October 18th from 4 to 7 and he hopes to see everyone in attendance. Sgt. Burroughs also stated that the hours for working outside begins at 7 am during the week and 8 am on Saturdays,

Public Comment

Mayor Davy asked that anyone wishing to speak, please raise your hand so the Borough Clerk can acknowledge you, please state your name and address for the record and limit comments to the Governing Body to a maximum of 3 minutes.

Mr. Dan Pace of 9 Railroad Place stated that work at Railroad Place is completed, and he would like to thank everyone who was involved in getting the road paved.

Kimberly Tew of 404 Burd Street stated that she recently moved to Pennington from Hopewell Township and they stayed in this area for the school district and she is concerned about the effect that PILOT agreements have on school districts and since PILOT agreements do not include funds to the school districts she would like to ask that the school district be included in any future PILOT agreements that the Borough enters into.

AT 9:05 PM, Council Member Marciano made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting, second by Council Member Rubenstein with all members present voting in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Sterling
Borough Clerk