

Pennington Borough Council
Work Session Meeting – April 27, 2026

Mayor Davy called the Regular Meeting of the Borough Council to order at 7:04 pm. The meeting was held via Zoom.

Borough Clerk Betty Sterling called the roll with Council Members Angarone, Chandler, Stern, Valenza and Mayor Davy in attendance. Absent: Council Member Kassler-Taub and Rubenstein

Also present were Borough Clerk Betty Sterling, Borough Attorney Walter Bliss, Borough Administrator GP Caminiti, Chief Financial Officer Sandra Webb, and Lieutenant Daryl Burroughs.

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

Mayor Davy announced additional items to the meeting include: resolution for changing the signatories, resolution for compliance with the processing of purchase orders, repair fence at Kunkel Park

Open to the Public

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 Clerk acknowledges you state your name and address for the record. Please limit comments to the Governing Body to a maximum of 2 minutes.

Work Session Discussion Items

Ordinance Amendment – Fees for Borough Services – Mr. Caminiti went over the fees that will be increasing through the Fees for Borough Services ordinance.

Mayor and Council members had questions regarding what snow removal fees involve, if a projected revenue can be done from the increase in fees and the adopt a flag program. Adopt a flag is now a borough administration duty. The yard sale administration fee will be eliminated due to low demand.

New Ordinance – Water Leakage/Spillage

Mr. Bliss reviewed the water leakage / spillage ordinance. It was recommended by Public Works Committee for the solution for handling of involuntary or accidental leaks that results in abnormal consumption of water. This ordinance advises that if you spill it is the owner's responsibility and results in abnormal usage. The owner still must pay for the water but the sewer will be reduced to normal usage which is average of the last four quarters.

Mayor Davy – That ordinance will be ready for introduction at the next meeting.

New Ordinance - Rental Registrations – Mr. Caminiti advised of the rental registration ordinance. Right now there is no governance for rental units which can present safety issues including fire safety, under obligation from the DCA to test for lead paint. But we had not had access to them because we do not know where they are. There has been communication with fire department and they need information about where and how many rentals.

Ms. Angarone – does not agree with the 6 year interval for the lead testing.

Mayor Davy – this will be scheduled for the next Council work session to continue discussion.

Ordinance Amendment - Borough Hall Improvements (Police Study) – Mayor Davy explained that this is to fund the improvements to Borough Hall from several years ago - amended to allow for an architectural space study for the Police Department and all options for PD and Borough Hall. There are funds available to do that study.

Mr. Rubenstein – singling out the First Aid Squad in item 2 there are other options on the table to suggest to the consultant and let them bring these forward.

Appointment of Lubna Muneer - Chief Finance Officer / Treasurer New Ordinance – Mr. Caminiti advised June 15, 2026 will be Ms. Muneer's first full time day and will work on a part time basis until then.

New Ordinance - Establishing Position of Deputy Clerk – Mr. Caminiti advised this will map out all of the roles and responsibilities for the Deputy Clerk.

Appointment of Interim Payroll/HR Administrator - Jackie Nagin – Mr. Caminiti advised Ms. Nagin will take over the payroll and HR benefit duties effective May 1, 2026.

Appointment of Communications Intern - Zoe Storck – Mr. Caminiti advised that Ms. Storck is a part of the Library team and helps with their graphic design and communications with the library.

Approval of Proposal from Suplee, Clooney for Accounting Services – Mr. Caminiti advised that Suplee, Clooney can be backup for payroll services and accounting services and will be coming in as an as needed basis.

Resolution - MOU Arrive – Mr. Bliss asked to table this resolution.

Review of Tentative Council Regular Agenda

Resolution Changing Borough Signatures for Signatories - Certified Financial Officer

Resolution - Policies Governing the Processing of Purchase Orders – Permits to accept signatures on purchase orders that are not wet signatures and allows for electronic POs for signature from vendor.

DPW Request of Resolution to Repair Fence at Kunkel Park - Charged to Open Space – A discussion was held regarding the wooden fence along King George Road near Kunkel Park and the guardrail on King George Road that requires repair. The Administration will review the matter with the Joint Insurance Fund and verify the property line.

I-Bank – Mayor, Mr. Caminiti, Mr. Smith, Ms. Stern and Bond Council met with I-Bank to lay out the lead service line and PFAS treatment projects.

Mr. Valenza – We should have a discussion on how to pay for the lead line.

Proclamation - Older Americans Month

Mayor's Appointments: Park & Recreation (Emily Nally)

Presentation - 2026 Environmental Commission Agenda - Kieran John Approval of Minutes

Ordinance 2026-19 - Ordinance Amending Chapter 98 - Fees

Ordinance 2026-20 - Ordinance Regulating Water Leakage in the Borough

Ordinance 2026-21 - Ordinance Regulating Residential Rental Property – will table.

Ordinance 2026-22 - Establishing Position of Deputy Clerk

Ordinance 2026-23 - Amending Bond Ordinance 2020-9 - Borough Hall Improvements

Resolution 2026-5.1 - Resolution Authorizing Refunds

Resolution 2026-5.2 - Resolution Authorizing Payment of Bills

Resolution 2026-5.3 - Resolution Appointing CFO

Resolution 2026-5.4 - Resolution Appointing Deputy Clerk

Resolution 2026-5.5 - Appointing Deputy Registrar

Resolution 2026-5.6 - Resolution Appointing Interim Payroll/HR Administrator

Resolution 2026-5.7 - Resolution Appointing Communications Intern

Resolution 2026-5.8 - Resolution Approving MOU with Capital Health - ARRIVE

Resolution - Supplemental HDSRF Application - Landfill

Resolution - Registrar Appointment

Open to the Public/ Public Comment

Mayor Davy opened the meeting to the public. There were no comments from the public.

CLOSED SESSION

AT, 8:01 PM, BE IT RESOLVED, that Mayor and Council shall hereby convene in closed session for the purposes of discussing a subject or subjects permitted to be discussed in closed session by the Open Public Meetings Act, to wit:

Personnel – Public Works Matter, Police Matter

Litigation – Verizon Tax Appeal

Council Member Rubenstein made a motion to convene in Closed Session and adjourn the regular meeting, second by Council Member Chandler with all members present voting in favor.

Respectfully submitted,