

**Borough of Pitcairn Council
Business Meeting Minutes
March 9, 2026
6:00 pm**

**Meeting called to order – President Thomas Dick, Jr.
Stand for Pledge of Allegiance**

Roll Call:	Here	Absent
Thomas Dick, Jr.	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Lisa Petrosky	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
George Burkhardt	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
James Rullo	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Deborah Marto	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Bill Kornrumpf	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Cameo Farally	<u> </u>	<u> x </u>
Mayor Margaret Stevick	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>

An executive session was held at 5:30 PM to discuss legal matters.

Jim Rullo motioned to approve the minutes for the Pitcairn Borough Council Meeting on February 9, 2026. Second by Lisa Petrosky. All ayes, motion carries.

Mayor Betsy Stevick presented an accommodation to Tom Dick, Sr. for his service to the Pitcairn Borough and Fire Company Number 1. Tom has been a volunteer fire fighter for several years and Fire Chief since 2012.

Adam Kelly, Chief of Staff for Representative Markosek was in attendance and offered congratulations to Tom Dick, Sr.

Michelle Chapkis, Allegheny County Council was in attendance and offered an accommodation from Allegheny County Council and Senator Nick Piscatano's office.

Citizen Comment

Pat Heaps wanted to ask for approval to begin the process of obtaining banners for Hometown Hero's. The banners would have pictures of Pitcairn residents who served in the military. Banners would be placed along Broadway. It is possible to have the banners placed on other streets as well. Pat has formed a committee that includes Mike Castegnero, Milo Spozanza and Al Trunzo.

Jim Park – Taylor Ave asked when the sewer project will be finished. Don Black answered that there is a meeting Thursday with the contractor to discuss the remaining steps needed for the final restoration of the project. Hopefully we will get some cooperative weather, and they will finish it up soon. Mr. Park asked when the equipment will be moved. Again Mr. Black stated he will have more details after the meeting.

Lisa Petrosky read a letter for Cindy Bateman at 744 Sixth. Ms. Bateman is unable to attend. Ms. Bateman requested an "Autism Child Area" sign be placed near her house. The manager stated that he will direct the public works supervisor to look into getting a sign. Council asked if we could put a "children at play" sign up. The manager stated he will ask street department to put a sign up.

Bill Kornrumpf asked if there could be a blinking pedestrian signs placed on Broadway near Caputo's Bar. A pedestrian was hit by a car last month. The manager stated that there is a sidewalk from the former pet groomer coming into town, he asked if the person was crossing the street or was walking on the street. The manager stated he would look into it. He stated that maybe a brighter streetlight would be of benefit.

Mayor Margaret Stevick

The Mayor read her fines report and stated that the police worked 265 calls in February.

Personnel / General –Lisa Petrosky

- **Lisa Petrosky motioned to pass Resolution 9-2026 for the Borough of Pitcairn to enter into a Cooperation Agreement with Allegheny County to undertake essential community development and housing assistance activities within the Borough from annual CDBG grants and HOME funds received from HUD for program years 2027, 2028 and 2029. This is done so Allegheny County can operate these programs in our Borough. Second by Jim Rullo. All ayes, motion carries.**
- Council reviewed the bids for Public Works Building roof
 1. Bucco roofing \$47,229.25
 2. Best Choice Roofing - \$31,598.00
 3. 84 Lumber \$18,635.43
- Lisa Petrosky motioned to accept the bid from 84 Lumber in the amount of \$18,635.43. Second by Deb Marto. All ayes, motion carries.
- A discussion of summer help took place. Pay rate and job responsibilities were discussed. Council would like to see the curbs and some line painting. Would like the hire to help Nick picking up trash. A rate of \$15.00 per hour was agreed on. Lisa Petrosky motioned to advertise for part time summer help. Second by George Burkhardt. All ayes, motion carries.

Streets – Cameo Farally

- **Tom Dick, Jr. motioned to pass Resolution 8-2026 approving the purchase of a 2025 Ford F-600 Dump Truck from the Stuckeye Automotive Group in the amount of \$108,291.00. Approval includes a payment from Liquid Fuel Funds in the amount of \$69,526.00 and a four-year loan from S & T Bank in the amount of \$38,765.00. Second by Jim Rullo. All ayes, motion carries.**
- Tom Dick, Jr. motioned to approve a handicap parking space in front of 577 Fourth Street. Second by Lisa Petrosky. All ayes, motion carries.

Parks and Recreation – George Burkhardt

- George Burkhardt announced the dates of upcoming Park and Recreation events:
 - o Easter Egg Hunt March 21at noon
 - o Night Market April 24 no band, food truck wise.
 - o Harvest Festival October 31
 - o Old Fashion Christmas November 29.

Finance and Economic Development – William Kornrump

- Bill Kornrump motioned to pay bills as presented. Second by Jim Rullo. All ayes, motion carries.

Health and Welfare – Deb Marto

- Mr. Turner has submitted his reports to Council.
- **Deb Marto motion to pass Resolution 10-2026 requesting a Flood Mitigation Program (FMP) grant of \$500,000.00 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to be used for Dirty Camp Run Relocation – Sponsor Adjustments. Second by Jim Rullo. All ayes, motion carries.**
- Deb Marto motioned to approve Payment Application #2 and Reimbursement Request #2 submitted by Jet Jack for the Highland Avenue Sewer Project in the amount of \$268,295.50 Second by Lisa Petrosky. All ayes, motion carries.
- Deb Marto motioned to hold clean-up day on April 18 from 8 AM to 11 AM. Second by Lisa Petrosky. All ayes, motion carries.
- Discussion of emergency demolition of the rear addition of 801 Brinton. Quote of \$4,900 from TnT Excavating LLC. Council decided to hold a demolition hearing on April 13.
- Deb Marto thanked Nick for cleaning up areas that were requested.

Electric – Tom Dick, Jr.

Comcast is still working in town.

Public Safety – Jim Rullo

- Jim Rullo motioned to accept the resignation of Russel Wisneiski effective February 21, 2026. Second by Deb Marto. All ayes, motion carries.
- Jim Rullo motioned to pay for HVAC repairs out of the Public Safety Fund for Fire Company No 1 at a cost of \$10,550.00 Second by Lisa Petrosky. Roll Call vote. George Burkhardt – yes, Jim Rullo – yes, Lisa Petrosky – yes, Thomas Dick, Jr. – abstain, Cameo Farally – absent, Bill Kornrumph – yes, Deborah Marto – yes. Motion carries.

Solicitor's Report

Nothing for the public meeting.

Engineer's Report

We held a meeting on Thursday March 5 with Jet Jack to discuss the remaining restoration that needs completed. No dates have been determined because most is weather dependent.

Taylor Street, Wall Ave East and the triangle at the center of the bridge will be repaved.

George Burkhardt asked if there is a current demolition lists submitted. He stated that the red brick house behind Wood Street needs boarded up. People are going in and out of it.

Borough Manager's Report

Real Estate Tax Collected in February –No Current taxes collected as of today, total year to date prior year and delinquent taxes \$22,678.

The manager stated that the Borough issued 254 Occupation Certificates in 2025. I compared that to the new electric accounts of 267 new accounts. A new account is created when an account goes from a tenant to a landlord. Based on this we are collecting and issuing occupancy permits on all new citizens of Pitcairn.

The financial auditors will be here March 25 and 26.

I have had a couple meetings with Mason Young of Century Engineering to finish recording the temporary construction easements for the flood control project. The estimated cost is \$57,436.96. The Dirty Camp Run fund will cover this contract.

The manager addressed several rumors that have been on Facebook. The dog catcher. The borough did not have a choice in the matter of leaving Monroeville Animal Control. Monroeville council voted to not extend the service to the borough. If Council would like to go to the Monroeville meetings and speak to Council, they may.

Our electric rates are very competitive with Duquesne Light. An all in 1,000 kwh bill for Pitcairn is \$205.15. The same bill for a Duquesne Light customer is \$253.83. Comparing it to West Penn Power is pointless because we are in Duquesne Light's network.

Account Balances

Capital Improvement Account - \$280,544
Electric System Capital Improvement Account - \$207,523
Liquid Fuels \$17,928
Liquid Fuels CD \$56,233
Local Grant Dirty Camp Fund - \$73,520
Sewer Capital Improvement Fund - \$1,005,954
Public Safety Fund - \$113,547
Bond Repayment Fund - \$343,634
Park and Recreation Account \$14,182
Park and Recreation Special Events Fund \$5,653

Police Chief Report

Deb Marto motioned for Adjournment. Second by George Burkhardt. All ayes, motion carries.