

Borough of Pitcairn Council
Combined Budget, Workshop and Business Meeting Agenda
November 10, 2025
5:30 pm

Meeting called to order – President Tom 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>
Domenic Roberta	<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>
George Toth	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Mayor Margaret Stevick	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>

Preliminary budget presented by Manager to Council and Mayor.

George Toth motioned to approve the minutes from the October 13, 2025 Borough Council Combined Meeting. Second by Jim Rullo. All ayes, motion carries.

Before taking Citizen comments Councilman Jim Rullo presented Officer Caruso with a commendation for Service. On Sept 12, 2025 Detective Caruso was on patrol and heard a woman screaming. A 5-month-old was not breathing. Officer Caruso performed CPR to save the infant. The commendation was presented by Jim Rullo on behalf of Council. Officer Caruso thanked all and the Chief.

Citizen Comment.

Peg Yagatitch thanked the fire company. Her furnace broke and she had a gas leak. The fire company were at her house within 3 minutes. She wanted to thank Nick and Tommy and the police for their response.

Shane Pool from Kenney Ave, stated his car has been hit twice. There are multiple speeders on the street. He asked if a camera could be installed or if targeted enforcement could be done. It was explained that a camera cannot be used for speeding tickets but we could look in to installing one.

Jennifer Strozier, also from Kenney Avenue has had her car hit. She asked if we could add a street light in the middle of Kenney Ave. Said it is very dark. She asked if Shaw Alley could be paved. It is all brick and there are several holes. She asked if you can park up on the curb of your house. Tom Dick told her we can look into getting Shaw Alley paved in our next paving program.

Deb Marto asked if the Presbyterian Church could have the sidewalk opening fee waived for the new sidewalks they are installing. Jim Rullo motioned to waive the fee. Seconded by George Toth. All ayes, motion carries.

Mayor Betsy Stevick

The Police answered 253 calls. They collected \$150 in parking fines, \$880 magistrate fines and \$211 in County fines.

The mayor stated that the police have been tagging and towing cars in the Borough.

Bill Kornrumpf asked how long after the orange tag is placed can the Borough tow it. Chief Farally stated that by law if the individual asks for an extension, it has to be granted for 30 days. After that it gets towed.

Personnel / General – Domenic Roberta

- A discussion was held regarding ServiceMaster and the cleaning contract. The manager stated that we had Coverall come in and do an assessment because ServiceMaster has not been doing a great job. It was suggested to reach out to ServiceMaster and ask that they do better and do a few certain things that have been neglected. The manager stated he would do that and see how it goes.

Streets – George Toth

- **George Toth motioned to adopt Resolution 16-2025 requesting a Statewide LSA Grant of \$1,000,000 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for the Pitcairn Bridge Replacement Project.** Second by Jim Rullo. Bill Kornrumph asked if it was for the bridge at Eleanor Street. Don Black confirmed that it is. All ayes, motion carries.

Parks and Recreation – Lisa Petrosky

- Lisa Petrosky provided a Harvest festival report. There was a haunted hayride, kids had fun. Two Coffins Tattoo Shop did the all the makeup; they did a fantastic job. The parade and the trunk or treat went really well.
- Old Fashion Christmas will be held on Saturday December 13. Santa will arrive on the fire truck.
- A Home Decoration Contest was discussed. We gave an electric credit for 1st place in each district. The manager will look at last year's minutes and see what we did last year.
- Park Building Fees were discussed. We will discuss further at the November 17, 2025 meeting.

Finance and Economic Development – Bill Kornrumph

Bill Kornrumph wanted to congratulate Cameo Farally and George Burkhardt on their respective election wins.

- Bill Kornrumph motioned to pay bills as presented. Second by George Toth. All ayes, motion carries.

Health and Welfare – Deborah Marto

- Mr. Turner has submitted his monthly reports to Council. Nick and the Mayor went to the magistrate for a case on Fourth Street. The Borough lost. The individual in question has a "Wildflower Garden" next to his house. According to the Ordinance a cultivated garden is allowed in the Borough.
- **Motion to approve Resolution 14-2025 adopting ALCOSAN's 7% increase for wastewater treatment service in 2026 and authorizing WPJWA to bill customers accordingly.** Second by George Toth. All ayes, motion carries.
- **Deb Marto motioned to approve Resolution 15-2025 increasing the garbage fee 4% in accordance with the garbage collection Contract. The new fee will be \$20.00.** Second by Lisa Petrosky. All ayes, motion carries.

Electric – Tom Dick, Jr.

- A discussion was held regarding the pole and electric replacement for the fair. This is for the pole and meter replacement that burned during the fair. During the fair the panel was overloaded and

caught fire. A 400 AMP service is needed. The total cost is estimated to be \$12,500. A motion was made to replace the pole and electric service. Second by Jim Rullo. All ayes, motion carries.

- Tom Dick opened the floor for a discussion of electric rates. The manager explained that AEP is offering an extension to our contract to combat against a huge spike in electric rates. Due to AI expansion and possible data center needs, electric rates will continue to climb. **Tom Dick motioned to pass Resolution 17-2025 Extending the contract with AEP to 2031.** Second by Domenic Roberta. All ayes, motion carries

Public Safety Committee – Jim Rullo

- Discussion of the Animal Control Contract with Monroeville and motion to award Animal Control duties to Hoffman Kennels. Monroeville will no longer be performing animal control duties for the Borough of Pitcairn. The manager contacted Hoffman Kennels. They will charge \$175 per month and patrol once a week. Any calls they answer the dog owner will be charged \$120 plus fees. Chief Farally stated that in addition to Hoffman, Officer Caruso has completed training and can take dogs and cats to a couple different animal shelters. Jim Rullo motioned to hire Hoffman Kennels. Second by George Toth. 6 yes, 1 opposed. Motion carries.
- Jim Rullo motioned to promote Officer Dennis Rupert from part time to full time status effective November 16, 2025. Second by George Toth. All ayes, motion carries.

Solicitor's Report

Engineer's Report

Borough Manager's Report

Real Estate Tax Collected in October was \$5,176.41. YTD is \$483,611.76

Account Balances

Capital Improvement Account - \$334,0640.61
Electric System Capital Improvement Account - \$156,319
Local Grant Dirty Camp Fund - \$73,054
Sewer Capital Improvement Fund - \$912,592
Public Safety Fund - \$104,328
Liquid Fuels \$21,761
Bond Repayment Fund - \$340,853

Year to date compared to budget report has been submitted to Council.

Police Chief Report

Training and all about the dog.

Lisa Petrosky motioned to adjourn. Second by Jim Rullo. All Ayes, motion carries.

Respectfully Submitted
Michael Bolen, Borough Manager