

FAIRFIELD, PENNSYLVANIA
Borough of Fairfield
Minutes of the Borough Council General Meeting
February 25, 2025 – 6:30 PM

The Borough Council of Fairfield held a general meeting on Tuesday, February 25, 2025, in the conference room of the Village Hall, 108 West Main Street, Fairfield, Pennsylvania. In attendance were councilors Dennis Bucher, Camille Cline, Pat Pileggi, Nate McNeill, Phyllis Gilbert; Mayor Robert Stanley, and Secretary Dianna Zimmerman. Patricia Smith and Sally Thomas were absent. Also present was Officer Reed from the Carroll Valley Police Department.

Council Vice President Phyllis Gilbert called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM, and Council recited The Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes: On a motion by Mrs. Cline, seconded by Mr. Pileggi and carried by a roll call vote of 5-0, the minutes of the Council meeting of February 5, 2025, were approved as presented.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Fire Department Report – Council acknowledged receipt of the January Fire Company report.

Police Department Report – Council acknowledged receipt of the January Police report. Officer Reed reported that the second speed radar sign was installed and the east end of town.

Officer Reed left the meeting at 6:40 PM.

Correspondence – Council acknowledged receipt of Fire Company Workers’ Compensation Shared Expenses.

Mayor’s Report – Mayor Stanely shared that he attended Frank Cool’s funeral and reception. He stated it was well attended and expressed his appreciation for Frank’s years of service to the community of Fairfield. He again voiced his concerns about the height of future new construction in the Borough. He would like to see an ordinance created to limit it.

Municipal Service Report – In Mrs. Smith’s absence, Mrs. Zimmerman reported that Mr. Wivel repaired a sink in the ladies’ room that had come loose from the vanity. She also noted that the toilet in the ladies’ room needed to be inspected as the water is constantly running. Mr. Wivell did not have the tools to repair it so Alexander’s Plumbing was called in to do the job. The Village Hall sign in the front of the building blew down during the last wind storm. Mr. Wivell will not be able to repair that either as it will require new posts.

Committee Reports – Streets & Alleys - Mr. McNeill noted that the drainage grate in front of 100 Franklin Street was damaged by Thomas Wells Paving during paving last year. When it was replaced, it was installed too high and the water is not draining properly. He would like Thomas Wells Paving to come back out and correct the issue. Mrs. Zimmerman will get in contact with Thomas Wells Paving.

Liaison Reports –

- A. Mrs. Thomas did not attend the last Community Relationship Team meeting, at the school district because she had another obligation.
- B. The Fairfield Area Historical Society met on Thursday, February 20, 2025. They have scheduled an event for April 17, 2025. It is called an Evening with Simon Cameron, who was a Senator in 1840.

- C. FREMA met on Monday, February 17, 2025. They had election of Officers which will continue to be Ron Harris as President, Mickey Barlow as Vice President and Bob Stanley as Secretary. They also adopted the Emergency Operations Plan.
- D. HARB had no meeting in February and no COA applications were received.
- E. Mr. Pileggi reported the Joint Parks and Recreation Commission meeting for February was canceled.
- F. There was no Municipal Authority report due to Mrs. Smith's absence.
- G. The Pippinfest Committee meeting for February was canceled due to inclement weather.
- H. There was no Planning Commissions meeting in February.
- I. Waiting to hear from Mr. Rob Thaeler in regards to the Southwest Planning Comprehensive Plan.

Unfinished Business –

- The Municipality Cybersecurity Risk Assessment Survey was completed on February 19, 2025.
- The new radar speed was installed on February 20, 2025 at the east end of town.
- Mr. Pileggi reported that he's heard America 250 is going to be huge nationwide. He says there is a strong momentum building especially in the Philadelphia area. He would really like to see the local schools get involved in doing something community related for Pippinfest, July 4th or at any point next year.
- Mrs. Zimmerman put catalogs out for Council members to review for possibilities of new benches/planters at the Community mailbox area.
- Petitions are due on March 11th for Council members running for reelection. Petitions can be obtained from the Voter Registration office at 230 Greenmyer Lane, Suite 100, Gettysburg, PA.

New Business –

- On a motion made by Mrs. Cline, seconded by Mr. McNeill and carried by a roll call vote of 5-0, Council approved the Assembly Permit Application from Fairfield Recreation Association for the Opening Day Parade.
- On a motion made by Mr. Bucher, seconded by Mr. Pileggi and carried by a roll call vote of 5-0, Council authorized payment of the invoice to Rose Computers in the amount of \$291.23.

Anything for the Good of the Borough –

- Mrs. Gilbert stated that the light at the community mailboxes is out again. Mrs. Zimmerman will contact Hull's Electric to come check it out.
- Mayor Stanley reported he saw Met Ed men digging around electric poles on Franklin Street. He stopped and asked them what they were doing and they explained they were checking the poles for rot.

The next regular Council meetings are scheduled for Wednesday, March 5, 2025 at 9:00 AM and Tuesday, March 25, 2025 at 6:30 PM.

On a motion by Mrs. Cline, seconded by Mr. Pileggi and carried by unanimous acclamation, the meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Dianna Zimmerman, Secretary

Phyllis Gilbert, Council Vice President