

**North Braddock Borough
Borough Council Meeting
Minutes**



**Tuesday
May 27, 2025
06:30 PM**

Call to Order:

The President of Council called the meeting to order at 6:38 PM

Roll Call:

Breaston
Giles
Nigro
Parker
Ruiz
Sepesy
Vargo
Franklin-Robinson

Also Present:

Manager: Nathan 'Jay' Bish
Foreman: Jerome Sepesy

Absent With Cause:

Vahosky
Mayor: Cletus Lee

Agenda:

A motion was made by Giles and seconded by Parker to approve the agenda as presented.

Approved Unanimously

Minutes:

A motion was made by Vargo and seconded by Giles to approve the meeting minutes from the Borough Council Meetings held April 15th 2025 as presented.

Approved Unanimously

Reports:

*Engineer's Report
Code Enforcement Report
Mayor's Report
DPW/ Sanitation Report
Fire Report
Tax Collector's Report
Managers/Treasurer's Report*

Citizens:

Dave Yargeaeu: From MVI; stated the the Mon Valley Initiative is currently working on their properties on Hawkins. Stated that four houses have already been demolished. Said that the Mon Valley Initiative recently received 1.4 million dollars for funding home rehabilitation projects and that two houses on Hawkins and two houses on Middle have funding available to complete demolition and 206 is ready to be rehabilitated.

Dionna Rojas: From MVI; thanked Vice-president Vargo for her work at the Braddock Carnegie Library.



Gary Metcalf: From Grounded strategies; stated his organization is doing greenspace work throughout Allegheny county. Stated there is a lot of support from community workshops for the park on Verona. Spoke about significant work being done for greenspacing, especially urban meadows to replace lawns with different vegetation. Asked council for buy-in and support for the idea and asked about possible sights in the borough.

Jerome Wilson: Thanked the borough Department of Public works for their response to the recent storm.

Nathan Mallory: Stated he is the democratic candidate running unopposed in Ward Two for Borough Council. Thanked Vice-president Vargo for her work on the reopening of the Braddock Carnegie Library. Spoke about Ceasefire PA holding a town hall tomorrow at 10:00 AM with the Braddock Youth project at the Braddock Carnegie Library. Spoke about the ULA's work in the area with multiple ongoing projects. Asked about an abandoned car on his street.

Deneen Proctor: Asked about who to contact about a tree on her house at 1641 Grandview. Thanked the public works department for their response to the recent storm. Stated that the vegetation from 1639 Grandview is growing onto her property and the status of the ongoing code-enforcement case against the owner of 1637 Grandview.

New Business:

1. A motion was made by Parker and seconded by Vargo to approve the proclamation declaring May 29, 2025 as a time of remembering and celebrating Lafayette's Farewell Tour in North Braddock, Pennsylvania.

Approved Unanimously

2. A motion was made by Giles and seconded by Parker to advertise and accept letters of interest for the vacant Zoning Hearing Board from May 27, 2025 to June 17, 2025 at 5pm.

Approved Unanimously

3. A motion was made by Sepesy and seconded by Ruiz to approve the Streets Sweeping Agreement between Steel Rivers COG and the Borough of North Braddock for the calendar year of 2025.

Approved Unanimously

4. A motion was made by Nigro and seconded by Ruiz to approve the requested road closure made by Adam McVeigh for the closure of the 1300 Block of Wolfe Avenue on July 4, 2025 for a Block Party.

Approved Unanimously



5. A motion was made by Sepesy and seconded by Ruiz to table the motion to allow for Nathan Braun to present fireworks in General Braddock Park on July 4, 2025 pending approval by the North Braddock Volunteer Fire Department pending proof of insurance for the proposed event.

Approved Unanimously- Motion Tabled

6. A motion was made by Parker and seconded by Giles to approve a donation in the amount of \$300.00 to the Unity Baptist Church for the Annual Back to School Giveaway on August 2, 2025.

Approved Unanimously

7. A motion was made by Sepesy and seconded by Giles to approve a donation in the amount of \$250.00 to the BNBL for use in the 2025 season.

Approved Unanimously

8. A motion was made by Parker and seconded by Vargo to approve a donation in the amount of \$300.00 to the Rankin Christian Center for the Scholarship Award Program.

Approved Unanimously

9. A motion was made by Sepesy and seconded by Vargo to approve the borough payrolls and monthly bills as presented.

Approved Unanimously

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 PM

Approved Unanimously