



Call to Order:

The President of Council called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM

Roll Call:

Breaston
Nigro
Parker
Sepesy
Vahosky
Vargo
Franklin-Robinson

Also Present:

Manager: Nathan 'Jay' Bish
Deputy Manager: Cory Ruff
DPW Director: Jerome Sepesy
Code Officer: Anthony Rydzak
Solicitor: Lisa Michel

Absent With Cause:

Giles
Ruiz
Mayor: Cletus Lee

Agenda:

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

Approved Unanimously

Minutes:

A motion was made by Nigro and seconded by Parker to approve the meeting minutes from the Borough Council Meetings held May 27th 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:

Joe Milushnik: Stated that he recently became superintendent of the Woodland Hills School District, starting two months ago. Said he has twenty-seven years as an education administrator, working in multiple school districts. Stated he chose Woodland Hills specifically. Spoke about his current military career. Stated his main goals as superintendent are community engagement, and that he wants to work with local community organizations. Said he would like to start having monthly meetings with borough councils to better communicate issues. Spoke about Woodland Hills athletics and music departments,



stating they are very well-known across the state. Spoke about the quality of the school buildings and facilities and that resources are available. Spoke about a desire for a five year improvement plan, socially, academically, and financially. Stated he has been in school districts that were in distress before and that he was able to help improve them, stating that he wants to help North Braddock Borough with its blight mitigation plan. Said he is still learning all of the strengths and weaknesses of the school district. Stated he considers school security a priority issue, and that Woodland hills School District has good security. Spoke about the budgetary concern that one third of the district's funding goes to charter schools.

Clean Air Council Presentation (Andrew): Spoke about his organization's work on backyard composting projects in local neighborhoods. Stated that they have educational resources for anyone wanting to learn how to compost or how to help with community composting and that anyone interested can reach out to him.

Mandi Williams: From Carnegie One Library; stated the Carnegie One Library has been open since June 2nd. Stated the library is trying to expand its current hours or operation. Thanked the North Braddock Volunteer Fire Department for their response to a recent false alarm at the library. Spoke about upcoming events at the library and that she had dropped off event calendars for the meeting, and that there is additional information online. Stated that the library will be closed on Juneteenth.

John Murrin: Asked about the house demolitions on Seddon Avenue. Asked about any upcoming paving on Seddon. Stated the road is not being cut or plowed and that other roads in the borough are being better maintained.

James Murrin: Thanked the borough for recent house demolitions on Penn Street. Stated there is a house collapsing near his property at 710 Penn Street. Asked about the process for obtaining a dumpster permit from the borough. Thanked the Public Works Department for their trash collection and sanitation work this year. Commented on a squatter who was living in a house on Penn Street during the recent demolitions there.

Jerome Bankston: Stated that residents parking on the sidewalk on Hawkins have been getting ticketed lately. Said he doesn't believe that parking on the sidewalk on Hawkins should be the focus of the police department and that residents have been doing so for several years. Stated that there has been vandalism recently on Hawkins and that he believed teenagers were responsible.

Gabe Greene: Stated he wants to have people sign a petition to put speed bumps in on Preston Drive. Spoke about speeding concerns on the street, stating it is a critical issue and that drivers are regularly ignoring the speed limit, and putting the lives of everyone on the street, especially children, in danger. Asked if the petition would be addressed at the meeting.

Benjamin Butler: Stated he lived on Preston Drive and that he has severe concerns for speeding on the road. Said he has lived on the street for decades and commented on the risk that speeding is to children in the community.

Communications from Councilmembers:



Councilmember John Vahosky: Thanked North Braddock Borough resident, Dennis Evans for his work putting up flags and flowers around the borough building.

Council President Lisa Franklin-Robinson: Thanked the community for the large turnout at the recent Denise Hogan Blood Drive.

New Business:

1. A motion was made by Vahosky and seconded by Parker 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.

Yay: (0)

Nay: (7) Franklin-Robinson, Breaston, Nigro, Parker, Vahosky, Vargo, Sepesy

Motion Failed

2. A motion was made by Parker and seconded by Nigro to accept the bid by Creative Enterprises in the amount of \$38,850.00 for the Ravine Street Remediation Project.

Approved Unanimously

3. A motion was made by Nigro and seconded by Parker to approve **Resolution 25-04**
A RESOLUTION OF COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH BRADDOCK APPROVING THAT THE ACQUISITION AND SUBSEQUENT DISPOSITION OF NUMEROUS PARCELS OF VACANT PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK AND LOT NUMBERS 301-N-19 WOULD BE IN ACCORD WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE MUNICIPALITY

Approved Unanimously

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

Approved Unanimously

Temporary Adjournment:

**North Braddock Borough
Borough Council Meeting
Minutes**



**Tuesday
June 17, 2025
06:30 PM**

A motion was made by Vahosky and seconded by Nigro by to temporarily adjourn the meeting for an executive session to discuss personnel matters at 7:57 PM

Approved Unanimously

A motion was made by Vahosky and seconded by Sepesy to bring the meeting back to regular order at 8:09 PM

Approved Unanimously

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Parker and seconded by Vahosky to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 PM

Approved Unanimously