

**JESSUP BOROUGH COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
July 2, 2025, at 7:00 PM**

The regular monthly meeting of Jessup Borough Council was held on Wednesday, July 2, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. in the Jessup Borough Building, 395 Lane Street, Jessup, PA 18434. The following business was transacted.

Pledge of allegiance to the flag was given.

**Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Council President, Roberta Galati

Council held an executive session on July 2, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. regarding personnel.

President Galati announced Motion J. will be removed from the agenda.

**Roll Call: Present 6**

**Absent 1**

Gregg Betti

Tom Fiorelli

Curt Camoni

Roberta Galati

Jerry Crinella

Joe Mellado - absent

Jeffrey Castellani

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on June 4, 2025, and the special meeting on June 11, 2025

Approve the Secretary Report.

Approve the June Payroll in the amount of \$ 63,426.20

Approve monthly payments from the general fund in the amount of \$84,540.79

A motion was made by Curt Camoni second by Jerry Crinella to approve the consent agenda.

Aye carried. (6-0)

**REPORTS:** Mayor Buckshon gave a synopsis of prior and upcoming events throughout the Borough. Upcoming is the July 5<sup>th</sup> event and the Borough will be giving the Valley View Girls Softball Team a proclamation on July 31<sup>st</sup>.

Zoning Hearing Board – Jeff Smith found training for conditional uses. The instructor is Shannon Callerini and the cost is \$2,500 for a 90-minute class.

Controller, Ben Cardoni read the financial report

Tax Collector, Genevieve Lupini reported she collected \$22,900.00 for the month and there is \$70,147.50 to be collected.

Zoning Officer, Anthony Mengoni reported there is a concern with the new home on Hill Street across from the Fire Station. He is working out the issue.

Police Department, Chief Derek Fozard reported June was a relatively quiet month. The shirt sale ended June 26<sup>th</sup>. 11 of the 18 vehicles on his list for removal have been sent certified letters. The owners have 30- days to respond to the letter.

Engineer, Peters Consultants – Angie Slusser gave an overview of the current and upcoming projects throughout the Borough.

Solicitor, Maura Armezzani Tunis noted she reviewed the Resolution that is on the agenda for possible action and she is in agreement with it. She will be meeting with the Helcoski's regarding the property for Sarah Bratty Park.

Borough Manager, Coleen Watt gave an update on the Lawler Dr., Church Street and Olga Street projects. She noted the first Movies Under the Stars will take place July 12, 2025.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Breaker Street Associates – related correspondence for July Planning Commission agenda.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Genie Lupini asked if there is any other cable company besides Comcast in the Borough. She asked if her property on Church Street will be restored once the Church Street project is complete. She noted the cars for books program is going well and asked if the Arts and Culture grant is available.

Mark Cordelli gave an overview of events throughout Lackawanna County. There are trolley excursions to the baseball games, arts in the park, kite flying festival, 3 on 3 basketball tournament, free blood lead screening and much more.

**NEW BUSINESS/MOTIONS:**

- A.** Motion to ratify modification certifications for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for Sarah Bratty Park in the amount of \$286,860.00. A motion was made by Jerry Crinella second by Gregg Betti. Aye carried. (6-0)
- B.** Motion to reinvest up to \$141,000.00 in treasury security that matures on or about June 12, 2026. A motion was made by Tom Fiorelli second by Gregg Betti. Aye carried. (6-0)
- C.** Motion to authorize Back to School Supply Drive for the month of July, Trunk or Treat date to be determined, Food Drive the month of November, Tree Lighting 11/29, and Vaccine Clinic Date to be determined. A motion was made by Jerry Crinella second by Jeff Castellani. Aye carried. (6-0)
- D.** Motion to enter into a contract with Animal Arrest for the trapping and removal of animals throughout the Borough. A motion was made by Curt Camoni second by Tom Fiorelli. Aye carried. (6-0)
- E.** Motion to adopt Resolution No. 14 of 2025 to adopt a subdivision and land development fee schedule. A motion was made by Gregg Betti second by Jerry Crinella. Aye carried. (6-0)

- F. Motion, upon the Borough Planning Commission's deliberation at their July 16 regular meeting and subsequent recommendation regarding potential amendments to the Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map, that Borough Council authorizes that Jessup Borough transmit the proposed amendments to the Lackawanna County Regional Planning Commission for a 30-day review as required by Section 609(e) of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code (MPC). A motion was made by Curt Camoni second by Gregg Betti. Aye carried. (6-0)
- G. Motion to hold a public hearing, in accordance with Section 609(b)(1) of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code (MPC), on Tuesday, August 19, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. to obtain public comment on potential amendments to the Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map. A motion was made by Gregg Betti second by Tom Fiorelli. Aye carried. (6-0)
- H. Motion that Borough Council authorizes the posting of the scheduled public hearing identified in the previous motion in accordance with Section 609(b)(1) of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code (MPC) and the mailing of public hearing notices in accordance with Section 609(b)(2) of the MPC. A motion was made by Curt Camoni second by Gregg Betti. Aye carried. (6-0)
- I. Motion to authorize, in accordance with Section 610 of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code (MPC), the Borough Manager to advertise in the Scranton Times-Tribune and at the Lackawanna County Law Library during the weeks of July 27 and August 3 and no later than August 9 the proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map, the associated public hearing, and consideration of enactment of said amendments. A motion was made by Gregg Betti second by Curt Camoni. Aye carried. (6-0)
- J. Motion to advertise for a special meeting for quarterly budget review at 6 pm on July 31, 2025. A motion was made by Gregg Betti second by Jeff Castellani. Aye carried. (6-0)
- K. Motion to advertise an Ordinance addressing golf cart usage in the Borough. A motion was made by Jerry Crinella second by Gregg Betti. Aye carried. (6-0)
- L. Motion to approve the Augelli reverse subdivision (lot combination) contingent on the following: Applicant shall satisfy all comments made by the Borough Engineer by its letter dated June 18, 2025. The applicant shall satisfy those comments by submitting a revised site plan to the Borough for review and approval by the Engineer, who will indicate in writing that this condition is satisfied. The applicant shall pay all fees associated with the application and review by the Borough. The Borough Manager shall collect the fees and indicate in writing that this condition is satisfied. A motion was made by Jerry Crinella second by Curt Camoni. Aye carried. (6-0)

**ADJOURN:** A motion was made by Jerry Crinella second by Jeff Castellani. Meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Coleen Watt, Secretary