

Sharpsville Borough Council met in Regular Session on Wednesday, November 12, 2025 at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers at 1 S. Walnut Street, Sharpsville, PA.

Mayor Gill offered a brief prayer, and all recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Roll call showed the following present: Kim Fryman, Len Grandy, Chris Combine, Tom Patton, Nick Hanahan and Bob Piccirilli

Also present were: Solicitor, John Alfredo, Mayor, Mark Gill and Borough Manager/Secretary Ken Robertson

Absent was: Patty Cardwell

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Councilman Fryman and seconded by Councilman Piccirilli to approve the minutes of the Regular Session Meeting Minutes on October 8, 2025. Motion Passed.

Correspondence:

None.

Comments from the Audience:

Paula Cain-222 High Street: Paula attended the meeting to express ongoing concerns regarding her neighbors at 214 High Street. She reported that although the rooster previously kept on the property is no longer present, the chickens remain and she estimated that they have over 10. According to Paula, the homeowners have converted their garage into a chicken coop and installed a door that allows the chickens to move in and out at will.

Paula also stated that the residents keep several other animals that are not adequately secured. Their cats frequently roam the neighborhood, and their dogs often escape through an unsecured gate.

She noted that attempts to speak with the neighbors have been unsuccessful.

Paula requested that the Borough consider adopting an ordinance establishing a limit on the number of chickens permitted per household and requiring homeowners to obtain a permit for keeping chickens. She believes this would help the Borough identify who owns chickens and ensure better oversight.

Monthly Department Reports: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilman Combine to accept the Monthly Department Reports from the Code Office, Fire Department, Police Department, Health Office and Public Works. Motion Passed.

New Business:

EADS Group Invoice #249227-2025 Retainer: A motion was made by Councilman Piccirilli and seconded by Councilman Fryman to authorize payment in the amount of \$6,232.80. Motion Passed.

EADS Group Invoice #249229-Mercer Avenue Sidewalk Improvements: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilman Combine to authorize payment in the amount of \$2,543.04. Motion Passed.

Advertise the 2026 Meeting Dates: A motion was made by Councilman Combine and seconded by Councilman Fryman to authorize the advertisement of the 2026 Meeting Dates. Motion Passed.

Advertise the 2026 Proposed Budget: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilman Piccirilli to authorize the advertisement of the 2026 Proposed Budget. Motion Passed.

Advertise Ordinance #1183-Setting the 2026 Water Rates: A motion was made by Councilman Hanahan and seconded by Councilman Combine to authorize the advertisement of the 2026 Water Rates. Motion Passed.

Advertise Ordinance #1184-Setting the 2026 Tax Rates: A motion was made by Councilman Piccirilli and seconded by Councilman Hanahan to authorize the advertisement of the 2026 Tax Rates. Motion Passed.

Approval of the 2026 Health Insurance Renewal: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilman Combine to approve the 2026 Health Insurance Renewal. Motion Passed.

Waltz Invoice #1480-CDBG 2010-2014 Monitor: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilman Combine to authorize payment in the amount of \$1,900.00. Motion Passed. Councilman Hanahan abstained.

Mercer County Regional Planning Commission Invoice #2025-7-2022 CDBG: A motion was made by Councilman Piccirilli and seconded by Councilman Patton to authorize payment in the amount of \$5,178.69. Motion Passed.

Mercer County Regional Planning Commission Invoice #13745-Quarterly Billing: A motion was made by Councilman Combine and seconded by Councilman Patton to authorize payment in the amount of \$812.52. Motion Passed.

PA State Association of Boroughs Invoice-Renewal Fees: A motion was made by Councilman Combine and seconded by Councilman Fryman to authorize payment in the amount of \$721.00. Motion Passed.

11th Street Sewer Disconnect: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilman Combine to authorize the sewer disconnection. Motion Passed.

Resolution 2133-Authorizing Designated Officials to Execute All Documents & Agreements for a Local Share Assessment Grant-Shenango River Secondary Sewer Crossing: A motion was made by Councilman Combine and seconded by Councilman Fryman to read the resolution. The resolution was read by the Secretary. A motion was made by Councilman Combine and seconded by Councilman Fryman to adopt Resolution 2133. Motion Passed

Authorization to Advertise an Ordinance Regulating Backyard Chickens: Ken proposed the advertising of an ordinance to regulate the number of chickens a resident may keep within the Borough of Sharpsville. Solicitor Alfredo advised that the matter must first be reviewed in a committee meeting to determine the specific provisions of the ordinance. After committee review and Council approval, it can be advertised..

It was noted that, due to this process, Council would not be in a position to give final adoption of the ordinance until at least January 2026.

Ken mentioned several preliminary specifications for the proposed ordinance, including:

- A maximum of four (4) chickens per residence
- Chickens must be kept in an appropriate, approved structure
- A setback requirement from property lines
- A suggested fee of \$55.00

Council Comments:

Councilman Hanahan: He provided updates regarding the Animal Shelter, stating that the building is expected to be built by Thanksgiving and fully completed by May 2026.

He also reported that he had spoken with Jared Grandy, EMS Coordinator, who inquired whether Council had made any decisions about the EMS Department's request for an SUV for EMS calls. Earlier in the year, Council had discussed the possibility of providing EMS with an old Police Department SUV that could be outfitted to meet their operational needs.

Approval of Payrolls: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilman Piccirilli to approve the payroll of October 2, 2025, from the following accounts, in the following amounts:

General	\$	42,624.28	
Water		7,537.19	
Sewer		10,790.11	
Health & Sani		<u>0.00</u>	
Total	\$	60,951.58	Motion Passed.

Approval of Payrolls: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilman Combine to approve the payroll of October 16 2025, from the following accounts, in the following amounts:

General	\$	38,868.53	
Water		7,775.13	
Sewer		11,367.27	
Health & Sani		<u>0.00</u>	
Total	\$	58,010.93	Motion Passed.

Approval of Payrolls: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilman Combine to approve the payroll of October 30, 2025, from the following accounts, in the following amounts:

General	\$	39,650.76	
Water		8,068.14	
Sewer		11,273.63	
Health & Sani		<u>0.00</u>	
Total	\$	58,992.53	Motion Passed.

Approval of Bills: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilman Piccirilli to approve the bills from the following accounts, in the following amounts:

General	\$	35,316.36	
Water		16,931.81	
Sewer		3,633.07	
Fire		1,308.37	
Highway Aid		0.00	
Street Lighting		0.00	
Health/Sanitation		<u>30,617.20</u>	
Total	\$	87,806.81	Motion Passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 PM. A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilman Combine to adjourn the meeting. Motion Passed.


