# **MINUTES**

The regular monthly meeting of Dover Borough Council was held at Borough Hall, 46 Butter Road on Monday, August 4, 2025 at 7:00 pm. All members were present. President Sabold called the meeting to order and stated that there was an executive session prior to the meeting to discuss pending litigation and possibility of real estate transfer. There was a moment of silent prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The July 7, 2025 minutes were reviewed. Mr. Slusser made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion. All were in favor.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Fire company report – Mrs. Kroft reported they had a very successful cash and gun bash on August  $2^{nd}$  with over 700 in attendance. She stated they are looking for more volunteers to help with bingo during the carnival.

The August and September 2025 calendars were reviewed. Ms. Snyder made a motion to approve the calendars as presented. Mr. Hassinger seconded the motion and all were in favor.

EMA report – Ms. Zarlenga added the additional rain storm gave a total of 8.8 inches of rain for July. August is National Emergency Management awareness month. She will have a booth at National Night Out with information available. Pipeline training will be at 5:30 PM on September 4<sup>th</sup> at the Wyndham in West York. It has been confirmed that TMI Unit #1 will be restarted in 2028. The weather station has been received and will be installed at Union Fire & Hose. President Sabold mentioned the upcoming KEMA training conference and if it is necessary to attend every year due to cost. Mr. Slusser suggested going every other year. Ms. Zarlenga feels they are very educational. Council will review at the next meeting for possible approval.

Police Report – Mayor Hernley reported calls were up seven for the month of June but down 45 for the year. September  $13^{th}$  is the grand opening for the new police station. Lt. Neidigh added National Night Out is tomorrow from 5:30-8 PM at Union Fire & Hose.

#### **SEWER**

*Public Works Report* – Mayor Hernley added the grinder parts will be in tomorrow. Therefore, Ross will be able to take care of the repair soon.

Engineer's Report – Mr. Lipinski reported that USG is scheduled to start the manhole project the first week of September. Dutchland requested the final payment for the clarifier repairs. There are hairline cracks on the new section and Mr. Grim feels it should go through a winter to see how it holds up before we make a final payment. Council discussed the situation. Mr. Slusser made a motion to pay \$12,000 towards the balance of the final

invoice. Mr. Hassinger seconded the motion. Mr. Neiman opposed, motion carried.

Solicitor's Report - None

*Old Business* – Mr. Slusser inquired about the lateral repairs needed in Delwood. Mr. Lipinski is working on the list of properties that will need repairs. Mr. Slusser feels letters need to go out soon to the property owners that will need to have repairs made.

New Business - None

## **WATER**

*Public Works Report* - Mr. Grim reported that the water main break was found by Lewis Lane and Mayfield Street. E.K. Services will be making the repair tomorrow morning.

Engineer's Report - None

*Solicitor's Report* – Mr. Herrold is suggesting seeking outside counsel with Tom Wyatt. Mr. Slusser made a motion to continue using Tom Wyatt regarding water negotiations. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Old Business - None

New Business - None

#### **BOROUGH**

Public Works Report – President Sabold stated after the recent heavy rain that he looked at the culvert on Rachael Road. He passed pictures around for Council to see the current condition. He believes it is at the point that the Borough needs to repair the area. Council discussed with Mr. Lipinski what repairs are needed. Kinsley is working on Butter Road. They looked at it and will submit a quote. Ms. Zarlenga questioned if this was reported to York County, which it was not. She will take care of reporting it. Mr. Slusser made a motion to have Kinsley Construction make the repairs to the Rachael Road culvert not to exceed \$4,500. Mr. Hassinger seconded the motion and all were in favor.

President Sabold received a letter from a property owner on Butter Road which included pictures from the same rainfall event. Each time it rains she gets flooding in the driveway and garage from the runoff of Butter Road. She wondered if another storm drain could be installed in the street. Several options were discussed. This will be looked at closer to see what can be done to improve that situation.

President Sabold inquired if Columbia Gas had been contacted about the settlement on Meadow Road. Mr. Lipinski has contacted them several times with no response. He will contact them again.

Zoning Manager's Report – A resident inquired about having ducks in the Borough. This falls under the definition of livestock and would be agriculture. There is no agriculture zone in the Borough. Mr. Herrold will look at an update to the ordinance so it is easier to understand. Mrs. Koch mentioned the issue of weeds and grass being blown and thrown into the streets. These then make their way to the storm drains, clogging them and causing

## flooding.

*Engineer's Report* – Mr. Lipinski reported that Kinsley Construction started the Butter Road project today. This will be completed by August 15<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Lipinski had a preconstruction meeting with Final Grade Excavation for the City Hall Drive project. Mr. Lipinski met with the PennDOT representative about the culvert on Canal Street. Since it is a PennDOT road, sometimes they help with the cost. They were not optimistic that funds would be available since they have spent a lot of money on bridges recently. The DCED LSA Grant for the county is due by the end of September, the state grant is December 31. A Resolution will need approved at the September meeting for the grant. Ms. Snyder read the eligible uses for the grant funds. Council discussed areas that need attention. It was decided to use the funds for repairing curbs and sidewalks.

Solicitor's Report - None

Mr. Lipinski and Mr. Herrold left the meeting at 8:33 PM.

*Mayor's Report* - Mayor Hernley performed a wedding last month. The Borough walks did not happen due to the heat.

Ambulance Club Report - Nothing to add

Secretary's Report – Mrs. Plowman highlighted the Signal Service quote. The quote was updated to add turning on the school flashers at the same time of upgrading the lights at no additional cost. Mr. Slusser expressed concern regarding the boring that Glo Fiber will be doing when they come into the Borough. The construction will be monitored.

*Treasurer's Report* – Ms. Snyder made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report. Mr. Raffensberger seconded the motion and all were in favor.

*Old Business* – Mrs. Koch mentioned the grass is not being mowed by the handicapped area at the park. Mr. Grim will check into this. Ms. Reed is seeking guidance with a property that she has been to court with and fined several times but the situation still is not improving. Some municipalities have companies do cleanup and then lien the property. There will be an upcoming hearing and the next step could result in jail time.

President Sabold mentioned how busy the office is and thanked the office staff for all they do. Mr. Slusser added for only having four employees, they all do a great job.

New Business – Mayor Hernley mentioned the NYCRPD is looking for donors towards some things that are not covered by the monies they received. A donation can be made anywhere from \$1,000 to \$250,000 for the Capital campaign. Mayor Hernley suggested a \$1,000 donation from the Borough and for Council to think about it.

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Slusser made a motion to adjourn with a second by Mr. Raffensberger. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda J. Plowman Secretary/Treasurer