

MINUTES

The regular monthly meeting of Dover Borough Council was held at Borough Hall, 46 Butter Road on Monday, May 4, 2026 at 7:00 pm. All members were present. President Sabold called the meeting to order. There was a moment of silent prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The April 6, 2026 minutes were reviewed. Ms. Snyder made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Ferry seconded the motion. All were in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Captain Shawn Platts provided the fire company report.

- They responded to 28 calls in April. Six of those calls were in the Borough. There was a \$1,000 loss at 313 Elmwood Drive.
- Captain Platts asked for the fire hydrant across from 313 Elmwood Drive to be looked at.
- The updated May and June calendars were reviewed. Ms. Snyder made a motion to approve the calendars as presented. Mr. Neiman seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Danny Wertz, 54 E. Canal Street, was present. He states his property was surveyed and that the Borough Road is on his property by 1-1/2' the whole way back until it turns into the sewer plant. Several of his trees were also destroyed. He also states he has a well under his house and that it cools his home. He wonders why the Borough is not coming onto his property for water. President Sabold responded that he does not think they were aware of this although Mr. Wertz says he has told workers about it. Mr. Wertz would like to sell the property and was advised not to sell for under 2 million dollars. He would like to give the Borough first chance at purchasing it. He thought the Borough could use the available water and if the sewer plant would need expanded in the future this would give room for that. He would like someone to look at the property. President Sabold confirmed with Mr. Lipinski on several things that would need looked at on the property.

Ryan Addelsberger, 28 W Canal Street was present to get an updated status on 24/26 W Canal Street. President Sabold states this will be in the zoning report.

EMA report – Ms. Zarlenga did not have anything to add. She did point out that KEMA is the one making changes to Title 35. The report included the changes so far. Mrs. Koch questioned if the student protest actually falls under emergency management. Ms. Zarlenga explained if there were to be any injury or traffic issues because of the protest it would be under emergency services.

Police Report – Mayor Hernley reported the calls were down by 15 for the month of March. At the last commissioners' meeting, two purple hearts were awarded to officers that were injured at the UPMC and the N. Codorus incidents. A Medal of Valor was also given to Det. Asper for his acts at the N. Codorus incident. ABC 27 did a very nice story on Det. Asper. Also, at the last commissioners' meeting, they voted to partner with ICE under the 187G agreement. This will not change the way they police, but it will give them access to administrative warrants and other information they currently do not have. By having this information, they will be able to apprehend someone they otherwise could not. After apprehension, they would then be held and turned over to ICE.

SEWER

Public Works Report – Nothing to add. Mr. Wertz mentioned the culvert that is washing out on E Canal Street. The Borough is aware of this but it is a PennDOT road and they should be addressing it.

Engineer's Report – Mr. Lipinski reported he has not heard back from Dutchland on the clarifier repair. USG did not repair the manhole in the square due to some equipment failure. They will reschedule as soon as possible. Mr. Lipinski submitted information to several Co-Stars vendors for proposals for the Doovertowne Apartments sewer line repairs. He asked for a fixed cost instead of time and materials for the proposal. He has not gotten any of them back yet but suggested with the cost of materials and fuel rising, he may wait a little to see what happens with costs. He should have the proposals back by the next meeting.

Solicitor's Report – Nothing

Old Business – None

New Business – None

WATER

Public Works Report - Mr. Grim reported the road that goes to our closed well by Dover High School has a pipe that runs under it. This pipe has deteriorated causing it to cave in and the road to collapse. Mr. Herrold had contacted the school solicitor a few months ago regarding them taking the road back since it is on their property and the Borough no longer has a use for it. He will follow up with them. Mr. Slusser asked Mr. Grim if they are going to flush the fire hydrants and measure the flow. The hydrants will be flushed but Mr. Grim states the flow was measured last year and it is done every other year.

Engineer's Report – None

Solicitor's Report – None

Old Business – None

New Business – Mr. Neiman made a suggestion to pay the water payroll from general fund and to think about this for the future water budget.

BOROUGH

Public Works Report – Mr. Grim received a quote for repairing the bad section of Elmwood Drive. One option is going curb to curb for approximately 400' by milling notches and placing a 1.5" overlay down for \$24,176. The other option would be to mill a 5' path approximately 400' long over the pothole area and pave for \$10,156.50. President Sabold's concern about this is that there is no base repair. Mr. Ferry states using 4-5" of base would be better. Mr. Grim will revise the request for an updated proposal. Depending on pricing we will need to get three proposals. Mrs. Koch mentioned that the parking space lines at Ketterman Park and the Borough office need repainted.

Zoning Manager's Report – Ms. Reed pointed out that there will be a Planning Commission meeting on May 13th at 7 PM and a Zoning Hearing Board meeting on May 27th at 7 PM. These are both in reference to 22/24 W. Canal Street parking lot variance request.

Engineer's Report – None

Solicitor's Report – Mr. Herrold reported some York County municipalities received assessment letters informing them that some of their properties will now be taxable. The letter the Borough received is for the lot off of Reservoir behind the water tower parcel. Mr. Herrold recommends sending a letter requesting it to not be taxable. If they do not change it the Borough could reverse subdivide and have it attached to the parcel next to it. It would then become tax exempt. A survey would need to be done in order to subdivide.

Mayor's Report - Mayor Hernley reported in the past there was some discussion with the fire department about burn bans. He received an email from the Emergency Management office saying that it would be in our best

interest to have a burning ordinance to tie in with a burn ban. The Borough does have a burn ordinance. Mr. Herrold will review it to make sure when a burn ban is enacted that it is enforceable with our ordinance. Mayor Hernley swore in the new fire police officers on April 2nd. Mayor Hernley let Council know if they are questioned about the police department and the ICE agreement, they should be referred to the NYCPRD office. Sunday walks will start on June 7th at 5 PM. Officer Shaffer and Mayor Hernley were invited to Dover Elementary to speak to the children about what they do. The children asked if the mayor makes a million dollars and what flavor of donuts Officer Shaffer likes. They also had a lot of other good questions. Both the Mayor and officer had a good time sharing what they do with the children.

Mr. Lipinski and Mr. Herrold left the meeting at 7:50 PM.

Ambulance Club Report – Mr. Raffensberger reported the next meeting is May 18th.

Secretary's Report – Mrs. Plowman highlighted that the AED ribbon cutting event will be May 19th at 12 noon.

Treasurer's Report – Ms. Snyder made a motion to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Mr. Slusser seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Old Business – The Ketterman Park grant consultation and service agreement proposal from YSM was presented. The services provided will be topographic survey, site construction documents, grant administration, bidding services and construction phase services proposed at \$23,400. Mr. Slusser made a motion to approve the proposed consultation and service agreement from YSM in the amount of \$23,400. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion. Mr. Neiman opposed, motion carried.

New Business – Ms. Snyder suggested a sign to be place by the Liberty Tree to commemorate the America 250th event. This will be done when the tree gets a little bigger.

Mr. Neiman mentioned there have been a lot of trailers losing some of their loads in the Borough. Recently there was a lot of mulch on the road that the Borough had to clean up. This is something they can be cited for. Mayor Hernley will let NCYRPD be aware of this.

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 8:04 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda J. Plowman
Secretary/Treasurer