

Oakland Borough Council
General Business Meeting
380 State Street
Susquehanna, PA 18847
August 14, 2025

Announcement:

Attendance: President Brad Krayeski, Vice President Robert Muiteer, Patrick Gall, William Deakin, Michael Payne, Mayor Randy Glover, Solicitor John Martin.

Absent: Valerie Senese, Debra White

Call to Order: This meeting was called to order by President Brad Krayeski at 7:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence was observed. It was noted that the meeting was being recorded.

1. Agenda:

Motion by Patrick Gall, 2nd by Robert Muiteer to adopt the agenda with addition under #13. All in favor, motion carried.

A. # 13 Application for secretary has been submitted.

2. Approval of minutes:

Motion by Robert Muiteer, 2nd by Patrick Gall to accept July 10, 2025 Meeting Minutes as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

3. Public Comment was opened at 7:03 and closed at 7:16p.m.

A. Jack Agler:

Asked if something could be done about telephone pole with the rope on it on High Street. Mayor Randy Glover stated that he has been trying to get Adams Cable to fix it for 3 years.

B. Kevin Bennett:

Read from a letter to the Oakland Boro Council about the water damage to his home at 67 Brush Street. He submitted this and insurance and work claims to the Council. President Krayeski asked for a copy. Mr. Bennett gave Council a copy. See attached.

C. Kelli Goff:

Also discussed the water that overflows from Franklin Avenue down Brush Street into the yards.

D. Doug Arthur:

Complained that the wood from the storm was taken to someone in Susquehanna. Mayor Glover stated to Mr. Arthur that it was an emergency and Council knew where the wood was going and was in compliance. If Mr. Arthur wanted the wood all he needed to do was ask and DPW would have brought it to his home.

4. Community Development:

A. No report to present.

5. Financial Reports:

A. Motion by Robert Muiteer, 2nd by Micheal Payne to approval Treasurer's Report with the balance of General Checking balance of \$15,456.23 after \$34,675.12 was transferred to the Capital Reserve Impact Fund. All in favor, motion carried.

B. Motion by Robert Muiteer, 2nd by Patrick Gall to approve Bill List as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

6. Correspondence:

A. A donation of \$50.00 was given to Borough by Mary-Ellen Bronson in relief from July 3, 2025 storm. A Thank-you note was sent to Mary-Ellen Bronson.

B. Susquehanna County Conservation District invited us to the dinner and Awards Banquet Oct 16,2025. If anyone would like to attend RSVP is by October 3,2025.

C. Motion by Robert Muiteer, 2nd by Patrick Gall to give a donation to the Area on Aging. The amount is the same as last year. All in favor, motion carried.

D. President Krayeski asked about the 2 LSA and ARPA accounts and questioned why these accounts were still open. Inquired about closing accounts, and moving any leftover money.

E. President Krayeski mentioned that the street lights from the bridge to the stop sign at Westfall Avenue need to be replaced. Three lights out are pole number 1Q272, 1Q273, and 1Q274. Will contact Penelec to report the outages.

7. Codes Report:

A. Report given by head of codes Brad Krayeski.

1. Notice came from NEIC about Unsafe Structure/ Condemnation front porch roof and foundation at 254 Westfall Avenue. Notice has been posted on building. See attached.
2. Rental Ordinances letters are being sent out property owners to catch up on the Rental Properties.
3. Brad Krayeski asked if anyone was interested in representing Oakland Borough at the COG meetings as he only has a few meetings left.

8. Mayor's Report:

- A. Verbal report given by Mayor Randy Glover.

9. DPW Report:

- A. Verbal report given by head of DPW Randy Glover.
- B. Motion by Patrick Gall, 2nd by Robert Muiter to have the braked repaired by Endless Mt. Motors on the Red Dump Truck. President Krayeski will call Mayor of Lanesboro and explain that Oakland Borough is keeping the red truck and it will need to go in the garage.
- C. Motion by Robert Muiter, 2nd by Patrick Gall to advertise the blue tractor and hoe separately on Municbid. All in favor, motion carried.
- D. President Krayeski explained that the last storm park trees fell on to residents' property. Both Oakland Borough and resident received a denial letter from the insurance company. Motion by Robert Muiter, 2nd by Patrick Gall for Borough to remove trees at the Borough's expense after property owner signs a release waiver based on Borough's solicitor recommendation.
- E. Discussion of the water drainage problem at 271 State Street. Both the State and Borough codes state that it is the property owner responsibility to maintain the driveway and sidewalks.

10. Finance Committee:

- A. No report was given.

11. Food Pantry:

- A. Doug Arthur
- B. reported that everything is going great with the food pantry.

12. Grant Updates:

- A. President Krayeski reported that the Park, Recreation, Trails Grant was awarded to Oakland Borough in the amount of \$3890.44 for the concession stand.
- B. Motion by Robert Muter, 2nd by Michael Payne to give permission to apply up to 3 LSA grants. No match only a \$100.00 application fee for each grant. All in favor, motion carried.

13. Old/ New Business:

- A. President Krayeski gave an update on plans for the sewer. The plans have come in. Engineering Company is handling the advertisement which the first ad will go out on 8/8/25 and second one on 8/26/25 and open by the engineering company on our behalf.
- B. President Krayeski stated that one application has been received for the secretary position. Brad Krayeski, Valerie Senese and William Deakin will be the committee to hold the interviews. Motion by Patrick Gall, 2nd by Michael Payne to continue to advertise the position.

14. New Business:

- A. Council will create a Lost and Found Resolution for the Park.

15. Adjournment: Motion by Robert Muter, 2nd by Patrick Gall to adjourn the meeting. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting ended at 7:57 p.m. Council went into executive session at 8:00 p.m. to 8:18 p.m. for ligation purposes.