

# **BOROUGH OF LEESPORT**

**March 18, 2026**

**The meeting of the Council of the Borough of Leesport was called to order by President Ronald Strause on the above date for the Leesport Borough Council, 27 S. Canal Street, Leesport PA, 19533, in the Leesport Borough Hall, Leesport PA., 19533, at 6 P.M. Present were Madeira, Strause, Goetz, Row, Moyer, Fronina, Walborn and Mayor David J. Reimer, Sr. Also present were MST Sandra L. Pascavage, Administrative Assistant Marga Row, Code Enforcement Officer Brad Pflum and Solicitor Chris Hartman, Esq., and Jason Newhard, Engineer.**

**Moment of Silence**

**Pledge to the Flag**

**Tonight's meeting agenda has been posted on our website and on our bulletin board at our office entrance....**

**A motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Walborn to accept tonight's agenda as advertised, all voted for the motion.**

**A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Goetz to approve the February 2026, minutes, all yes.**

**A motion was made by Goetz and seconded by Walborn to approve the March bills, all yes.**

**A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Madeira to approve the February financial report, all yes.**

**A motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Goetz to approve the February budget, all yes.**

**Correspondence**

- 1. our engineer's monthly report**
- 2. NBRP monthly report**
- 3. code enforcement report and copies of letters sent to residents**
- 4. our trash and recycling totals**
- 5. our chlorine totals for the month**
- 6. our water report**
- 7. minutes from the NBRP**
- 8. our EMS monthly report**
- 9. our fire company's monthly report**

## **Guests**

- 1. Elaine Strause of the Lockhouse and Historical Society announcing their upcoming joint activities, they are on our website.**
- 2. Wendy Griffith of our Recreation Board, announcing the Leesport Lightning Swim Team Awards recently given, they are on our website also.**

**Mayor – Mayor Reimer reported the following:**

- 1. All is well in our town now**
- 2. The mayor was awarded the Library Award for Public Service recently**
- 3. Bill #1291 has been introduced to modify the advertising for municipalities currently required because of the expense.**

**Police –Chief Wayne Holben reported the following:**

- 1. Our new Police Chief Wayne Holben has joined our police force March 10**
- 2. Our monthly report is on file.**

**FIRE- Chief Quell reported the following:**

- 1. Our monthly report is on file.**
- 2. Our new truck has been delivered**
- 3. Our mini attack/brush truck is here**
- 4. All is running smoothly**

**EMC – Mayor Reimer reported the following:**

- 1. Monthly Report**
- 2. Our recent siren test went well on March 7**
- 3. We just experienced a fierce storm locally**
- 4. We have training next week**

**NBEMS – Moyer reported the following:**

- 1. Monthly Report**
- 2. Our new ambulance is here**
- 3. all our staff has passed their EMT certifications recently**

**Code Enforcement – Brad Pflum reported the following:**

- 1. our monthly report is on file**
- 2. we have a few issues we are currently taking care of in town**

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Sewer – Madeira reported the following:**

- 1. All is running smoothly.**
- 2. Bern Twp has finally signed our mutual contract**
- 3. We have our project plan for Canal St**
- 4. Our grant application for \$500,000 for Canal Street was only awarded at \$75,000.**

**Personnel – Goetz reported the following:**

- 1. Our employees were given new style time sheets to keep track of their jobs and hours**

**Engineer – Jason Newhard reported the following:**

- 1. Monthly Report**
- 2. We have received an agreement for our Traffic Lights' Preemptors' Grant**
- 3. We have recently heard back from the SV Acting Superintendent, Dr. Winters, he will check on the status of the new building and get back to us.**
- 4. We are waiting to hear back from the car wash on S. Centre Ave**
- 5. We should be hearing from the contractor for Auto Zone shortly.**

**Solicitor- Chris Hartman, Esq., reported the following:**

- 1. We have signed agreements with Century Cabinetry for their land development and storm water control....a motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Moyer to reapprove and sign their plans, all yes.**
- 2. We have received from L/B Water a partial refund for the non-working RAFA system purchased through their company of \$9,658.39**
- 3. We have just heard from the school's attorney regarding their new water line agreement.**
- 4. Cogle's has recently sold their business to Casella Mid-Atlantic LLC. We need to approve and sign an agreement with them approving the sale. They will be taking over our contract through September 30, 2026, A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Moyer to approve the sale of Cougles' to Casella Mid-Atlantic LLC., and the transfer of our contract, all voted for the motion.**
- 5. We have a sample ordinance amending our Recreation Ordinance regarding the use of alcohol on our areas for future consideration.**

**Recycling –Row reported the following:**

- 1. Monthly Report**
- 2. Our cameras will be installed for the recycling yard shortly**
- 3. Our fobs for our recycling gate have been programmed and are ready for our residents to apply. The first one will be free and a \$15 charge for replacement.**
- 4. We have our forms ready for our residents to apply for the fobs, we have included a Hold Harmless form to be completed also, we will forward it to our solicitor for wording approval.**
- 5. We will be working on specs to bid a new trash/recycling contract shortly**
- 6. We will consider installing a light near the site for better vision**

**Building and Properties –Fronina reported the following:**

- 1. Monthly Report**
- 2. Our bucket truck needs work for inspection, we can purchase the parts for \$969.85 and our employee can do the work, a motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Madeira to purchase the parts and have our employee do the work, all voted for the motion.**
- 3. We recently had damage from a storm at our recreational areas, photos were taken and sent to our insurance company**
- 4. We informed the SVYB folks of the damage on the fields and marked the area off with yellow tape**

**Recreation – Madeira reported the following:**

- 1. Monthly Report**
- 2. We have elected new officers for 2026**
- 3. We have sent new contracts for 2026 to the users of our rec facilities, they will be forwarding to us their schedules, COI, and signed contracts back before the season begins.**
- 4. SVYB would like to construct a pole barn building (30 x 75 x 12) at our ball field, we will discuss it again next month.**
- 5. A “Beer Garden” was discussed for specific events at our recreation areas. A discussion followed by Mayor Reimer, Fronina, Goetz, Row, Madeira, Moyer, Strause and Walborn, council has divided opinions, we will discuss it again next month.**
- 6. We have a request from the “September 11<sup>th</sup>” “committee to approve the placement of signs marking the “September 11<sup>th</sup>” trail. A motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Fronina, to allow the placement of the signs. On a roll call vote, all voted yes, except Strause voted no, motion carries 6-1.**
- 7. New equipment for the playground was discussed.**
- 8. An EIN number was discussed for the Leesport Swim Team**

9. Our employees will check the 2 pool pumps and the baby pool filter
10. We are getting a quote to open the pool by the same company that closed it
11. Pool rates and membership applications will be available shortly
12. The date and the contractor for the opening of the pool for this season has been tabled until next month.
13. Our engineer will have a safety inspection completed on our Pool Building.

**Memorials – Goetz reported the following:**

1. Monthly Report
2. We have purchased 5 new flag poles.
3. We have prices for banners for the US 250<sup>th</sup> (10) and borough 125<sup>th</sup> (10) celebrations and 4 US 250<sup>th</sup> flags  
for \$2800, a motion was made by Goetz and seconded by Walborn to purchase the banners and flags, all voted for the motion.

**Water and Municipal Authority – Walborn/Goetz reported the following:**

1. Monthly Report
2. We have a request from the car wash, in Ontelaunee Twp,....across from Sheetz to become a water customer and our engineer has sent them a letter explaining our water tapping fee, they have applied for a permit from the state to tap our water line
3. Our engineer is working with Williamsport Holdings for Auto Zone
4. Our solicitor is contacting the school's attorney regarding the paperwork for their new water line
5. We have a complaint from a resident that his water meter reading of his consumption on his recent water bill was incorrect, after comments from our engineer, it was decided to lower his bill to an average usage from other quarters, a motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Goetz to rebill the resident at 237 N. Centre Avenue for an average of earlier water bills for his address, all voted yes.

**Roads and Lights –Moyer reported the following:**

1. Monthly Report
2. Our engineer has prepared specs and has applied to the state for a permit for us to repair the catch basin on Main Street.
3. We have received and signed an agreement regarding the preemptor for our Fire and EMS Departments, we received a \$191,000 grant.
4. We will have our cinders swept May 7 and 8, we have contracted Hamburg Borough.
5. We have a tree on Chestnut St that has been weakened by weather and age, a motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Walborn to have the tree removed for a cost not to exceed \$1,000, all voted yes.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- 1. We will be preparing specs for a new trash/recycling contract this year, our current contract expires September 30, 2026.**
- 2. Our engineer will be preparing specs for our road project to begin this year for the PIB loan project.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. A motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Walborn to approve the Epting land development extension letter to May 20, 2026, all yes.**
- 2. Our Mayor was asked to sign letters to our state representatives for the county to receive a grant for the upgrade of the county's WWTP in Bern Twp, a motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Walborn to have our Mayor sign and forward the letters to the county, all yes.**

**GOOD AND WELFARE**

- 1. We have a new NBRP Chief...Wayne Holben joined our force March 10.**

**A motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Fronina to adjourn at 7:17 P.M., all yes, motion carried, meeting adjourned at 7:17 P.M.**

Attested \_\_\_\_\_

**BOROUGH OF LEESPORT  
FINANCIAL REPORT  
FEBRUARY 28, 2026**

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| <b>GENERAL</b>               |                                |
| <b>CHECKING</b>              | <b>37.43</b>                   |
| <b>MM</b>                    | <b>46,699.44</b>               |
| <b>CD</b>                    | <b>-</b>                       |
| <b>WATER</b>                 |                                |
| <b>CHECKING</b>              | <b>60.89</b>                   |
| <b>MM</b>                    | <b>96,551.19</b>               |
| <b>CD I</b>                  | <b>-</b>                       |
| <b>CD II</b>                 | <b>-</b>                       |
| <b>STATE</b>                 |                                |
| <b>CHECKING</b>              | <b>64.26</b>                   |
| <b>MM</b>                    | <b>601.44</b>                  |
| <b>CODE ENFORCEMENT</b>      | <b>400.00</b>                  |
| <b>DISTRICT JUSTICE</b>      | <b>581.27</b>                  |
| <b>SPECIAL FUNDS</b>         |                                |
| <b>Sesquicentennial Fund</b> | <b>-</b>                       |
| <b>Recreation-Rec Board</b>  | <b>44,519.06</b>               |
| <b>Payroll fund</b>          | <b>926.55</b>                  |
| <b>Pension</b>               | <b>446,276.29 (01/31/2026)</b> |
| <b>PIB Loan</b>              | <b>1,188,799.70</b>            |

18-Mar-26

STATE

1684 Met Ed – st lites 4532.72- tr lites 151.86 4684.58

WATER

4691 Aetna - quarterly ins 3280.97  
 4692 Berks Co Public Works - dues 125.00  
 4693 DRBC - dues 592.00  
 4695 Elite Water Ops – month 2000.00  
 4696 Exeter Supply - supplies 7815.26  
 4694 Hemmig Plumbing - #3 booster pump/Main St leak 3117.00  
 4697 Kriss Wholaver - cleaning 216.00  
 4698 M.J.Reider – testing 430.85  
 4699 Micro Pro - support/billing 417.00  
 4700 Met Ed – service 4848.27  
 4701 Rios Supply - Neptune meters 40 - 3/4 pit 16005.94  
 4702 SSM Group - month 4102.50  
 4703 Wex - fuel 1445.61  
 Payroll February \$12453.11 2026 44396.40

GENERAL

9299 Am Trust - renewals 4595.00  
 9300 Berks Co Conservation District - dues 1000.00  
 9301 Berks Soil & Stone – month/sand 1083.00  
 9302 City Side - 2010 Ford F-350 1011.87  
 9303 CNA - Rec bond - Griffith 443.75  
 9305 Cougles - recycling - month 554.48  
 9304 Co of Berks - radio EMS/Fire 9900.60  
 9306 Fisher rentals - backhoe/jumping jack 5996.40  
 9307 Frontier – mo 162.22  
 9308 Hartman, Valeriano etal - month 2462.50  
 9309 Highmark - healh ins mo 5935.16  
 9310 Kuzans - supplies 3234.92  
 9311 LTL – service - plus lost ch#9265 \$988.07 3264.86  
 9312 Main Stream Ind - signs 288.00  
 9313 Messicks (Lift) service equip 1521.42  
 9314 Met Ed – service 707.52  
 9315 NBRP – month 47649.81  
 9316 OnSolve - Code Red - year 2318.94  
 9317 ProMax Fence -fence/recycling 27295.00  
 9318 Sawyer Services - snow removal 23800.00  
 9319 Schlegel Tax Service 375.00  
 9320 Smart Guys - cameras - recycling/office 4267.00  
 9321 Storks Plows - parts/repairs 1615.00  
 9322 The Standard Group - Leesport Reporter 1853.22  
 9323 Twenty First Century - ads 383.49  
 9324 Twiford - street light/supplies 2705.91  
 9325 UGI - service 1000.00  
 9326 United Concordia - dental ins 327.96  
 9327 Waste Management – month 19323.82

ACH

Elan - VISA supplies 1479.53  
 Payroll February \$14790.82 2026 176556.38

PIB 1002 SSM Group Inc - PIB

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