

# BOROUGH OF LEESPORT

February 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 and Mayor David J. Reimer, Sr. Absent was Walborn. 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 Fronina and seconded by Moyer to accept tonight's agenda as advertised, all voted for the motion.

A motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Goetz to approve the January 2026, minutes, all yes.

A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Moyer to approve the February bills, all yes.

A motion was made by Goetz and seconded by Madeira to approve the January financial report, all yes.

A motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Fronina to approve the January 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

## **Guests**

- 1. Shane Behn, 237 N Centre Ave regarding the gallons used on his recent water bill. He feels there is a mistake and council asked the engineer to investigate the issue.**
- 2. A resident on Elm Street complained about the cars parked on the front lawn of another Elm Street resident. Our code enforcement officer is investigating.**
- 3. Melissa Boyer of 318 Nichols Street, asked council to make sure the alley behind their homes is plowed so folks can get their cars out of their garages.**
- 4. Gerry Waldbeisser, Nichols Street, also asked that the alley behind his home be plowed so they can remove their cars from their garages.**

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

- 1. Our guys did a good job with this snow...we had one car moved and received several thank you notes**
- 2. Our new newsletter will be out shortly**
- 3. H.B. #1204 is being discussed amending the highway catch basins' responsibility**
- 4. The borough will be celebrating its 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (12/30/1901) this year along with our country's 250<sup>th</sup>..we will be getting citations from our government officials.**
- 5. We recently swore in fire police for the fire company**
- 6. We recently submitted our Newsletter to a PSAB contest...we haven't won yet**

## **Police –Strause reported the following:**

- 1. our monthly report is on file**
- 2. our new police chief we hired will begin March 10**

## **FIRE**

- 1. our new truck is at Glick being outfitted**

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

- 1. Monthly Report**
- 2. The emergency disaster reimbursement monies have a new required amount of \$100 million now**
- 3. We will report snow emergencies more**
- 4. We have DCED training March 3**
- 5. We will be testing the siren March 7 and in June, September and December.**
- 6. We will change the Code Red telephone number sent from to our fax number**

**NBEMS – Moyer reported the following:**

- 1. Monthly Report**
- 2. Our municipal advisory group will be meeting shortly**
- 3. We will have our new ambulance shortly**
- 4. We will be needing new radios soon**
- 5. We had 20 calls in Leesport last month**
- 6. We are fully staffed now**

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

- 1. our monthly report is on file**
- 2. we would like to call an executive session after the council meeting on a possible legal action**

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Sewer – Madeira reported the following:**

- 1. All is running smoothly.**
- 2. Bern Twp has finally signed our mutual contract**
- 3. We had a recent power outage, MetEd responded....it was a blown fuse**
- 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 will have updates shortly regarding our traffic lights' preemptors**
- 3. We have been contacted by the school regarding their plans to increase the size of the new field house and the need for an increased sized water line, they agree to pay the difference between the cost of the installation and our grant**
- 4. We have been contacted by the car wash on S. Centre Avenue regarding tapping our water line, they applied to the state for a permit to cross the highway to our water line**
- 5. We are in contact with the state regarding the catch basin on Main St**
- 6. We will accept the Epting Letter of extension for their land development plan to May 20, 2026, at our March meeting.**

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

- 1. We have signed agreements with Century Cabinetry for their land development and storm water control, ...we still need a letter from the LBA**
- 2. We have a lease offer regarding our Cell Tower of \$1742.20 monthly from Vertical Bridge, council has accepted their offer**
- 3. We have an offer from L/B Water for a partial refund for the non-working RAFA system purchased through their company of \$9658.39, council has accepted their offer, we are preparing an agreement.**
- 4. We have the plans for the Century Cabinetry land development to sign and seal for recording, after a wording correction is made.**
- 5. We have contacted the school's attorney regarding their new water line agreement**
- 6. We have a draft ordinance dealing with Data Centers and we will be sending it to our Planning Commission for their review.**

**Recycling –Row reported the following:**

- 1. Monthly Report**
- 2. Our cameras will be installed for the recycling yard shortly**
- 3. We are having fobs for our recycling gate programed**
- 4. We will be working on specs to bid a new trash/recycling contract shortly**

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

- 1. Monthly Report**
- 2. Our cameras for the office and recycling yard will be installed shortly**
- 3. Our mower sold on munibid for \$1050**
- 4. We have the plans for Century Cabinetry to sign for recording after a wording correction**
- 5. We have executed the Land Development and Storm Water Agreements for Century Cabinetry and they were recorded**
- 6. A fan has been installed in our pole barn, Billman Electric has donated their time**
- 7. A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Goetz to amend our agenda to allow for a purchase of a road tamper, all voted yes.**
- 8. A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Moyer to purchase a tamper for our road projects from Fishers Rental for \$3000, all voted yes.**

**Recreation – Madeira reported the following:**

- 1. Monthly Report**
- 2. A motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Fronina to have a diagnostic project done by Hemmig Plumbing in the fall of 2026 for under \$24,500 to identify our pool leak issue, all voted yes**
- 3. Discussion regarding a “town beer garden” for the SVLL wiffle ball tournament.. a motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Fronina to have our solicitor prepare an amendment to our Recreation ordinance allowing the (4/25/26) event, on a roll call vote, all voted yes, except Row and Goetz voted no, motion carried.**
- 4. New officers will be appointed for 2026 at the March meeting.**
- 5. We will be preparing contracts for the users of our rec facilities shortly**
- 6. SVLL would like to construct a pole barn building (30 x 75 x 12) at our ball field..our code officer will need a lay out plan.**
- 7. A motion was made changing the meeting date for our Recreation Board from the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday at 7 .P.M. beginning with their March meeting, by Madeira and seconded Fronina, all voted yes**
- 8. The bricks for the stage project have arrived**
- 9. A motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Madeira to give conditional approval for the “beer garden” (until/if the amended ordinance passes and all the requirements are met) to give time for the SVLL to prepare for the event, all yes, except Goetz voted no, motion carried.**

**Memorials – Goetz reported the following:**

- 1. Monthly Report**
- 2. We purchased a new flag pole for our memorial, it arrived today....a motion was made by Goetz and seconded by Fronina to purchase 5 more flag poles for \$250 each, all voted for the motion.**
- 3. We have the new Space Force flags**
- 4. We are getting prices for the country’s 250<sup>th</sup> celebration flags (4)**
- 5. We are getting prices for banners for the US 250<sup>th</sup> (10) and borough 125<sup>th</sup> (10) celebrations**

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

- 1. Monthly Report**
- 2. We have a request from the car wash, S'More Suds 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**

**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 will have updates shortly from our engineer for a traffic light preemptor for our Fire and EMS Departments, we received a \$191,000 grant**
- 4. We will have our cinders swept up in May, we have contacted Hamburg Borough.**
- 5. We are looking into purchasing additional banners.**
- 6. Our men did a great job plowing recently.**
- 7. We recently were asked to resign the PIB Loan contract because of some PennDot changes in verbiage and contract ID numbers and for our repayments to begin before/after the original July 2026 date**
- 8. A previous leak repair area on Spring Garden St is sinking and needs to be refilled**

**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**

**GOOD AND WELFARE**

**A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Moyer to adjourn at 7:54 P.M., all yes, motion carried, meeting adjourned at 7:54 P.M.**

**Attested \_\_\_\_\_**

**BOROUGH OF LEESPORT  
FINANCIAL REPORT  
JANUARY 31, 2026**

<b>GENERAL</b>	
<b>CHECKING</b>	272.06
<b>MM</b>	83,910.78
<b>CD</b>	-
<b>WATER</b>	
<b>CHECKING</b>	802.17
<b>MM</b>	56,296.22
<b>CD I</b>	-
<b>CD II</b>	-
<b>STATE</b>	
<b>CHECKING</b>	15.69
<b>MM</b>	9,301.35
<b>CODE ENFORCEMENT</b>	1,359.00
<b>DISTRICT JUSTICE</b>	625.48
<b>SPECIAL FUNDS</b>	
<b>Sesquicentennial Fund</b>	-
<b>Recreation-Rec Board</b>	106,131.10
<b>Payroll fund</b>	876.53
<b>Pension</b>	439,974.64 12/31/2025)
<b>PIB Loan</b>	1,186,542.46

18-Feb-26			
STATE			
1681	American Rock Salt - salt		3932.65
1682	Frontier - tr lite		36.48
1683	Met Ed – st lites 4533- tr lites 149.35		4682.35
			8651.48
WATER			
4679	Chris Hemmig - instal 6 commercial meters (reimb)		10917.12
4680	Diversified - water bills		300.00
4681	Elite Water Ops – month		2000.00
4682	Ferguson - 1/2 meters - 12		3560.65
4683	Highmark - Ins		5935.16
4684	Kuzans - supplies		1785.55
4685	M.J.Reider – testing		516.91
4686	Met Ed – service		4691.21
4687	Rios Supply - Neptune meters 60 - 3/4		22507.20
4688	SSM Group - month		5515.76
4689	Twiford - #5 repair		895.75
4690	USAble - life ins		117.00
	Payroll January 2026 \$12,440.75		58742.31
GENERAL			
9278	All Temp - repair heater		99.00
9279	Berks Co Treasurer - tax bills		300.10
9280	Berks Soil & Stone – month		835.00
9281	Chris Hemmig - snow removal		16542.00
9282	Cougles - recycling - month		687.88
9283	Fisher rentals - backhoe		2996.40
9284	Frontier – mo		67.95
9285	Hartman, Valeriano etal - month		1266.00
9286	Kriss Wholaver - cleaning		216.00
9287	LTL – service		2552.36
9288	Met Ed – service		650.36
9289	NASASP - dues - 3 years		115.00
9290	NBRP – month		47649.81
9291	ProMax Fence - fobs		189.00
9292	Schlegel Tax Service		375.00
9293	Summit Valley - snow hauling		18712.50
9294	Twenty First Century - ads		87.89
9295	UGI - service		999.70
9296	United Concordia - dental ins		327.96
9297	Waste Management -- month		18349.57
9298	Wex - fuel		1445.61
ACH	Elan Financial - Visa supplies		2770.97
	Payroll January 2026 \$13,447.17		117236.06
PIB 1001	Hartman, Valeriano etal - PIB		5665.00