

BOROUGH OF LEESPORT

January 21, 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, Walborn, Fronina and Mayor David J. Reimer, Sr. Also present were MST Sandra L. Pascavage, Administrative Assistant Marga Row, Code Enforcement Officer Brad Pflum and Solicitor Matt Fessler, 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 Fronina and seconded by Goetz to approve the December 2025, minutes, all yes.

A motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Walborn to approve the January 2026 Reorganizational Meeting minutes, all yes.

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

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

A motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Goetz to approve the December 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. **Elaine Strause of the Lockhouse/Historical Society, presented council with dates of events for the coming months, they are on the borough's website.**

Mayor – Mayor Reimer reported the following:

1. **Town updates**
2. **Our goals for this year are to increase the effectiveness of our committees, our council and our town**
3. **We recently had a call regarding a sewer issue....we need a plan on the website to inform the residents how to report a sewer issue or how they are able to get assistance**
4. **Going forth, we need a strategic plan for our town**
5. **A big thank you to our crews for a great plowing and cleanup job**
6. **A vendor at Schoolside Plaza donated all their grocery goods to our library food pantry**

Police –Strause reported the following:

1. **our monthly report is on file**
2. **we are holding interviews for police chief, our current chief is retiring Feb 13**

FIRE – Mike Burger reported the following:

1. **Monthly Report**
2. **Discussion regarding the use of an old trailer for practice use, our code enforcement officer has approved the placement of the trailer for the fire company's training use.**
3. **The new truck is currently being outfitted.**
4. **We have elected new officers.**

EMC – Mayor Reimer reported the following:

1. **all is going well**
2. **we have training next week**
3. **we will be watching the weather closely and possibly be declaring a snow emergency**
4. **our EM plan is in compliance with DES**

NBEMS – Moyer reported the following:

1. **monthly report is on file**
2. **Our municipal group will be meeting shortly.**
3. **We are having high call volumes currently.**

Code Enforcement – Brad Pflum reported the following:

- 1. our monthly report is on file**
- 2. we have approved the fire company’s trailer training**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sewer – Madeira reported the following:

- 1. All is running smoothly.**
- 2. Our application for a recent LSA grant was denied.**
- 3. Our grant application for \$500,000 for Canal Street was only awarded at \$75,000.**

Personnel – Goetz reported the following:

- 1. our committee recently met and we will be updating some of our policies**

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, we are ready to go to bid as soon as the school contacts us.**
- 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.**

Solicitor- Matt Fessler, Esq., reported the following:

- 1. We have signed agreements with Century Cabinetry for their land development and storm water control plans.**
- 2. We have a lease offer regarding our Cell Tower of \$1742.20 monthly from Vertical Bridge, a motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Goetz to accept their offer, all yes.**
- 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, a motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Walborn to accept their offer, all yes.**

Recycling –Row reported the following:

- 1. Monthly Report**
- 2. We have contacted ProMax Fence to have our fob reader installed at the gate and also on our computers.**
- 3. We have a quote for our cameras and we have our signs made .**
- 4. Our trash and recycling contracts expire September 30, 2026, we will be preparing our bid specs in spring.**

Building and Properties –Fronina reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. We have approved the cameras for our office and recycling area.
3. We will be putting an old mower on Munibid to sell beginning at \$100
4. We replaced the heater in the pole barn

Recreation – Madeira reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Moyer to appoint Cody Madeira to our Recreation Board for a five year term to 2031, all yes, except Madeira abstained.
3. We will be discussing our pool repair arrangements.
4. We will be appointing new officers for 2026 at our February meeting..
Nominated to be appointed are:

Cody Madeira, President

Stephanie Lucky, Vice President

Melissa Strause, Secretary

Wendy Griffith, Treasurer
5. We need to be sure the SVLL concession stand has been completed.
6. One of our board members will be looking into grants for new projects.
7. We will discuss the pool repair with all involved after our council meeting.
8. We will try to obtain a dive team to check if we have a leak at our pool drain.
9. We will be discussing field use fees for the SVLL at a later date.
10. The question of an event hosted by the SVLL to have a “beer garden” will be referred to the Recreation Board
11. SVLL will be coming to the Recreation Board regarding a storage shed.

Memorials – Goetz reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. We need another flag pole for the Pearson Field

Water and Municipal Authority – Walborn/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. Williamsport Holdings and Auto Zone’s plans will be recorded shortly
4. The school may be increasing the size of their field house and may need a larger water line
5. A motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Goetz to pass and sign Resolution #277-2026, increasing the water rates for Zones 2 and 3 (Ontelaunee and Bern Twps.) , all yes.
6. We have modified our permit for Well #5.

Roads and Lights –Moyer/Row 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. **A motion was made by Row and seconded by Moyer to have Telco Inc. install the wiring in our three traffic light control boxes to be able to use generators to run them during an electrical outage, we are able to pay their invoice of \$5995 out of our Liquid Fuels (State Fund), all voted for the motion.**
7. **Our men did a great job plowing recently.**
8. **A thank you to a resident, Bo Younker, for cleaning our bridge during the recent snow.**

NEW 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.**

GOOD AND WELFARE

A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Goetz to adjourn at 7:04 P.M., all yes, motion carried, meeting adjourned at 7:04 P.M.

Attested _____

21-Jan-26

STATE

1679	Frontier - tr lite	36.48
1680	Met Ed – st lites 4544.23- tr lites 147.66	4691.89
		4728.37

WATER

4668	Albright CLEG - dues	300.00
4669	Diversified - water bills	1535.24
4671	Elite Water Ops – month	2100.00
4670	Element Risk - ins renewals	16257.75
4672	Gen Serve - service	800.00
4673	Kuzans - supplies	3854.63
4674	M.J.Reider – testing	638.40
4675	Met Ed – service	4569.24
4676	Schlegel - payroll	975.00
4677	SSM Group - month	8646.00
4678	Wellcare - yrly ins	98.40
	Payroll December 2025 \$20,661.68	39774.66

GENERAL

9254	Alex Eliker Esq. - zoning hearing	1400.00
9255	Berks Soil & Stone – salt/month	11710.00
9256	Chris Hemmig - pole barn heater	3524.00
9258	Cougles - recycling - month	1172.76
9257	County of Berks - Hearing Board of Appeals	300.00
9259	Fisher rentals - backhoe	2996.40
9260	Frontier – mo	72.97
9261	Hartman, Valeriano etal - month	1685.00
9262	Highmark - health ins	5935.16
9263	Jane Lauser - postage	24.33
9264	Kriss Wholaver - cleaning	216.00
9265	LTL – service	988.07
9266	Met Ed – service	649.86
9267	Miller Mun Sign - signs	349.00
9268	New Enterprise - stone/blacktop	3902.63
9269	NBRP – month	25149.81
9270	Smartguys - cameras - 1/2	3840.00
9271	Telco - repair tr lite	768.91
9272	Twenty First Century - ads	305.60
9273	Twiford - st lites	1307.10
9274	UGI - service	785.75
9275	United Concordia - dental ins	327.96
9276	Waste Management – month	18349.57
9277	Wex - fuel	1080.54
ACH	Elan Financial - VISA	496.88
ACH	Elan Financial - VISA	1320.86
	Payroll December 2025 \$17805.55	88659.16

**BOROUGH OF LEESPORT
FINANCIAL REPORT
DECEMBER 31, 2025**

GENERAL

CHECKING	227.27
MM	61,135.29
CD	-

WATER

CHECKING	576.57
MM	41,258.90
CD I	-
CD II	-

STATE

CHECKING	44.04
MM	14,001.06

**CODE ENFORCEMENT
DISTRICT JUSTICE**

729.50
1,762.94 (2 mo)

SPECIAL FUNDS

Sesquicentennial Fund	-
Recreation-Rec Board	108,761.14
Payroll fund	902.32
Pension	439,974.64 12/31/2025)
PIB Loan	1,188,734.40