

**DALLASTOWN BOROUGH
175 E. BROAD STREET
DALLASTOWN, PA 17313
BOROUGH COUNCIL MINUTES
JUNE 8, 2026 – 7:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

The June 8th meeting of the Dallastown Borough Council was called to order by Council President, Tom Metz, followed by the pledge of allegiance and roll call.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Tom Metz – President
Brad Capatch – Vice President
Gina Smith – President Pro Tem
Paul Liesman
Dave Simpson
Brian Brenneman
Doug Miller

ALSO PRESENT

David Garabedian – Borough Manager
Kristine Cousler-Womack – Mayor
Peter Ruth – Saxton & Stump Solicitor
Steve Malesker – Borough Engineer
Joe Joines – Borough Maintenance Supervisor
Lt. Ray Krzywulak – YCRPD
Dave Stump – SAFER Representative

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The York County Boroughs Association quarterly meeting will be held June 25th at Rocky Ridge Park. The featured speaker is Logan Stover from the Pennsylvania Association of Boroughs. Anyone interested in attending should notify Mr. Garabedian.

FIRE COMPANY REPORT

Report given by Dave Stump

- The fire company report was provided to the Borough Manager.
- Sportsman raffle is scheduled for June 20th.
- The court date for merger finalization is scheduled for Friday, June 12th. A special meeting with the two organizations and attorneys is scheduled for Monday, June 15th, to sign the final documents and make the merger official on the administrative side. Operational changes will depend on County adjustments and may not be fully effective until around July 1st.
- The newly purchased ladder truck is expected to be placed in service within the next few weeks after training is completed. The truck will be assigned to Station 19.

POLICE REPORT

Report given by Lt. Ray Krzywulak

- The department reported 83 total calls for the month, including 11 motor vehicle accidents. Officers logged 7.25 hours of foot patrol and 3 hours of additional patrol, which resulted in an ordinance/curfew violation arrest involving underage drinking.
- National Night Out is expected to be held August 4th at the Dallastown Community Park.
- Lt. Krzywulak stated that calls remain within the usual monthly range of approximately 70 to 85 calls, although activity typically increases during the summer months. Residents were reminded to keep car doors locked and not to leave keys or firearms in vehicles.
- Council and staff discussed issues with e-bikes at the Borough Park and on streets. Residents should call police when incidents are occurring so officers can respond. Police have access to the park camera system and will increase presence where possible.
- Council asked about several properties with repeated calls that were listed on the incident report. Lt. Krzywulak stated the department would review the report and noted that police have been responding and making arrests where appropriate.
- Discussion was also held regarding ongoing neighbor disputes, nuisance concerns, smoke/burning issues, and related property concerns. Police and Borough staff will continue addressing matters as appropriate.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Motion: Ms. Smith moved and Mr. Liesman seconded to approve the May 11, 2026 meeting minutes as presented.

Motion carried: 7-0

APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS / FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Motion: Mr. Brenneman moved and Mr. Liesman seconded to approve the payment of bills and financial statements as presented.

Motion carried: 7-0

MAYOR'S REPORT

Report given by Mayor Kristine Cousler-Womack

- Mayor Cousler-Womack reported that Contino's Shoe Repair will be closing after 100 years of service. The Mayor and State Representative Mike Jones plan to present a proclamation at the business on June 12, 2026 at 11:00 AM, recognizing Alan Smeltzer and Contino's Shoe Repair for their long-standing service to the community. June 12th will be the last day Contino's will be in business. The Mayor read the proclamation recognizing Contino's Shoe Repair as a cherished Main Street business since 1926 and honoring its century of craftsmanship, customer service, and community contribution.
- A Cougar Field Town Hall was held on May 13th with approximately 24 people in attendance. Notes and feedback were provided to Council.
- The Mayor also attended and participated in various events, including: Red Lion's Day of Service, YCRPD Commission meeting, Golden Connections Memorial Day picnic and games, Memorial Day ceremony at the American Legion due to the parade being cancelled (rain), Victorian Villa's senior prom, St. John's Blymire UCC, and Battle of the Boroughs at the York Revolution game.
Upcoming items include the Truth Tabernacle Church day of service, the Police Commission meeting, officiating a wedding, and assisting the Dallastown Historical Society at the New Freedom 250th celebration on June 27th.
- A resident completed a mural in the Mayor's office.

VISITORS / PUBLIC COMMENT (Please see sign-in sheet for a list of all visitors)

- Mark Babka, 125 April Ln, asked whether the dog park had reopened. Staff stated that the dog park had only been closed for the day due to lawn treatment. The park was reopened that afternoon.
- Zach Hartman, Site Specific Design, introduced himself and representatives Rob and Dave on behalf of Environment One regarding the Colonial Heights Sewer Extension Project, specifically on grinder pump procurement.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Report given by Attorney Peter Ruth

- Attorney Ruth discussed a request from the owner of 258 Kirsta Ln to defer connection to the Colonial Park Sewer Project. The property is just under seven acres and is unique in size compared to other properties in the development. A draft deferral agreement was prepared outlining circumstances under which the Borough could later require connection, confirming that no vested right to capacity would be created, that no Borough liability would arise, and that the owner would remain responsible for the private system. The owner agreed to reimburse Borough attorney fees up to \$500.
Council agreed to defer discussion of the 258 Kirsta Ln deferral agreement until the July meeting to allow additional time for review.
- Attorney Ruth explained that the W Maple St/N Walnut St lot consolidation plan previously approved by Council needed to be reapproved because the County recording deadline had passed. The same conditions remain applicable, and a deed is expected to be presented at the July meeting to formally combine the lots into one parcel.
Motion: Mr. Miller moved and Ms. Smith seconded to reapprove the W Maple St/N Walnut Street consolidation plan so it may be recorded.

Motion carried: 7-0

- Attorney Ruth reported that York County created confusion regarding small games of chance referendum documentation. The County later provided ballot information from 1989 showing that the Borough had approved the referendum. Therefore, no new ballot action is necessary, and small games of chance remain permitted in the

Borough.

Council discussed the distinction between small games of chance and skill games. Attorney Ruth noted that municipalities continue to await further clarity from the courts regarding skill games.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Report given by Steve Malesker, HRG

- For the 2026 sewer maintenance program, the Mr. Rehab contract has been executed and the notice to proceed has been issued. A no-cost time extension change order was discussed to extend the contract completion date to the end of December 2026.

Motion: Mr. Simpson moved and Mr. Capatch seconded to approve the no-cost change order for Mr. Rehab's 2026 sewer maintenance program contract, extending the contract time to the end of December 2026.

Motion carried: 7-0

- Mr. Malesker reviewed the Wexcon schedule for the Colonial Heights Sewer Project. Mobilization is planned for June 22nd; work on Carrie Dr is planned to begin June 23rd; work on Kirsta Ln is planned to begin June 29th; work on Colonial Ave and Maylyn Ave is planned to begin July 6th; and work on April Ln and lateral connections are expected to begin in August. Surface restoration is expected in October, with testing and manhole inspections toward the end of the project. Completion of the line installation is anticipated toward the end of October, subject to change.
- Council discussed the timing of Notice to Connect letters for Colonial Heights residents. Although the contractor may complete work in late fall, Council and staff discussed waiting until spring to send the 180-day connection notices, so residents do not lose several months during winter conditions.
- Mr. Malesker reviewed quotes received for grinder pumps from Barnes, Zoeller, and Environment One. HRG's design engineer recommended Barnes based on compatibility with the design and cost. The Barnes quote through CW Sales was discussed at a total cost of \$377,155, including the five-year warranty and spare pumps.
- Representatives from Site Specific Design/Environment One provided additional information regarding their pump, including the progressive cavity pump design, advanced control panel option, and potential revised pricing using a more basic control panel with a 3-year warranty.
- Council discussed whether additional comparable information should be requested before making a final pump selection. Council took no action on the grinder pump purchase and asked Steve to contact the manufacturers/suppliers to provide their best and final numbers, including pricing variables such as advanced/basic panels, so Council can make a decision at the July meeting.
- Residents asked questions regarding grinder pump warranties, panel options, installation timing, temporary service interruption during private-side installation, old septic tank abandonment, and contractor lists. Staff stated residents will receive detailed information once the pump selection and project details are finalized, and that another resident meeting will take place once it's complete and well before the 180-day connection notices.

BUSINESS FOR ACTION

Historical Building Roof Public Bid

- Attorney Ruth reported that bid specifications have been prepared with assistance from staff and HRG for the historical building roof replacement. The project will be formally advertised for public bids. Mr. Ruth is asking for approval to authorize advertisement of the bid for the historical building roof replacement..

Motion: Ms. Smith moved and Mr. Capatch seconded to authorize advertisement of the historical building roof replacement public bid.

Motion carried: 7-0

Park Project As-Built

- Mr. Garabedian stated that the park project as-built must be executed and recorded following final completion with York County Conservation. Because the prior authorization had expired, Council was asked to reapprove execution of the as-built plan.

Motion: Mr. Brennenman moved and Mr. Liesman seconded to authorize Mr. Garabedian to execute the park project as-built plan so it may be recorded.

Motion carried: 7-0

BUSINESS FOR DISCUSSION

W Maple St Property

- Council discussed the former Borough building location on W Maple St and possible future use or sale of the property. Prior discussions included possible use as a municipal parking lot; however, the grade of the property, ADA requirements, lighting, policing, and construction costs would make parking improvements expensive.
- Council discussed that the property is currently unused, that inquiries have been received regarding possible purchase, and that sale proceeds could potentially offset upcoming expenses, including approximately \$30,000 for a replacement dump truck bed.
- Mr. Garabedian noted the property is in the Commercial-Shopping Zone. A multi-family dwelling would not be permitted without zoning relief.
- Attorney Ruth reminded Council that any sale would need to be handled through the proper public bid process.

Motion: Ms. Smith moved and Mr. Capatch seconded to obtain an appraisal for the W Maple St property.

Motion carried: 7-0

Eagle Scouts / Volunteer Work

- Mr. Miller reported that he has been in contact with a Scout group regarding volunteer opportunities and a possible Eagle Scout project. The troop may have a significant number of volunteers available, and surrounding troops may also be interested in opportunities.
- Council discussed possible volunteer work, including painting curbs, cleaning inlets, pulling weeds, assisting at the park, helping with trash during Carnival, and other projects that could assist the Borough.
- Council indicated it is open to volunteer assistance and would consider appropriate Eagle Scout project proposals that provide a long-term community benefit.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT

- The Zoning Officer's report was included in Council's packet. Council members were advised to contact Mr. Garabedian or Mr. DePoe with any questions.

OTHER BUSINESS / GOOD OF THE ORDER

- No additional business was brought before Council.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Mr. Liesman moved and Mr. Capatch seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried: 7-0

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
David Garabedian, Secretary