

**Borough Council Meeting
Minutes – February 25, 2026**

Call to Order – Mrs. Dekar called the meeting to order at 5:33pm, and Miss Meyer offered the meeting prayer and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call – The following members of the Borough Council were present; Cori Belles (5:50), James Bentley, James Daly, Derrick Hall, Dan Wayman, Jessica Meyer, and Jessie Dekar. **Also present;** Henry Farley, Mayor; Gil Crossett, Fire Chief; Christopher Kaiden, Code Enforcement Director; Blane Lathrop, DPW Foreman; Robert Repasky, Assistant Fire Chief; Daniel Reynolds, Police Chief; and David Jarrett, Borough Manager.

Citizens to be Heard – Mayor Farley presented Melissa Underdown R.D, Regional Manager for the Guthrie Healthcare System with a Proclamation in support of National Nutrition Month during the month of March.

Robert Warzyniak, 512 South Lehigh Avenue addressed the Borough Council and asked if the Borough has entered into an agreement with the 287G Program and ICE (United States Immigration & Customs Enforcement). Mr. Warzyniak asked Chief Reynolds if the Sayre Police Department would step in if ICE overstepped its boundaries, and Chief Reynolds stated that the circumstances would dictate the level of involvement by the Sayre Police Department. Chief Reynolds explained that ICE does not need permission for local authorities when they initiating an investigation. Chief Reynolds further stated that ICE has already been in the area and have taken individuals into custody that have warrants for their arrest. Mrs. Dekar asked Mr. Warzyniak if he had a specific concern, and Mr. Warzyniak referenced incidents that have occurred in other cities. Chief Reynolds stated that the Sayre Police Department will follow the law.

Approval of Bills List and Supplemental Bills List – February 12 – February 25, 2026 – A motion was made by Mr. Daly and Mr. Wayman to approve the Bills List and Supplemental Bills List – February 12 – February 25, 2026. **Under the question:** There were none. **Roll Call: Mr. Bentley, Mr. Daly, Mr. Hall, Mr. Wayman, Miss Meyer, and Mrs. Dekar; YES.**

Elected & Appointed Officials – Mayor Farley recognized the 205 years of service of the following full-time Borough employees who celebrated anniversaries between October 1, 2025 and February 25, 2026;

Dan Reynolds	38 Years	David Jarrett	28 Years
Derek Watkins	25 Years	Justin Potter	18 Years
Bruce Hoffman	16 Years	Gary Wheeler	15 Years
Chris Kaiden	12 Years	Gil Crossett	10 Years
Brandon Fauver	7 Years	Thomas Zebrowski	7 Years
Seth Murrelle	5 Years	Dalton Spencer	5 Years
Dylan Haines	5 Years	Taylor Landis	3 Years

Mayor Farley also recognized the 97 years of service of the following per diem Borough employees who work in the Administration Office, Recycling Center, Department of Public

Works, and as drivers of the Borough's aerial truck for their years of service as of February 25, 2026

Luches Grover	17 Years	Blane Lathrop	10 Years
Robert Repasky	10 Years	Bryan Farr	10 Years
Michael Polzella	10 Years	David Cole	7 Years
Charles Daly	7 Years	Andrew Jelliff	6 Years
Zachary Boyer-Bankes	5 Years	Austyn Merrill	4 Years
Lynn Kennedy	3 Years	Michael Phelps	3 Years
Eli Benniger-Jones	2 Years	Peter Crossett	1 Year
Claire Pierce	1 Year	Nathen Simons	1 Year

Mr. Wayman commented on the letters of commendation that were submitted for Officer Jason Bailey, Officer Seth Murrelle, and Officer George Nichols that were included in the meeting packet.

Finance Report – January 31, 2026 – There were no questions or comments.

Correspondence Summary – February 2026 – There were no questions or comments.

Consent Agenda – Mrs. Dekar explained items of business and matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and non-controversial and will be enacted by one motion and one roll call vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired by a Council Member, that item is to be identified and removed from the Consent Agenda, and will be considered separately at the appropriate place on the Agenda.

- a. Approval of Minutes - Borough Council Meeting – January 28, 2026
- b. Approval of Minutes - Borough Council Workshop Meeting – February 4, 2026
- c. Approval of Minutes – Borough Council Workshop Meeting – February 11, 2026
- d. Approval of Resolution 2026-02 – Community Development Block Grant Application
- e. Approval of Downtown Mural Project as recommended by the Planning Commission
- f. Approval of Park Use Request – Guthrie – Riverfront Park – July 18, 2026
- g. Approval of Park Use Request – Guthrie – Howard Elmer Park – August 1, 2026
- h. Approval of Conference Attendance Request – Kandy Ferguson – 2026 PSAB Conference

A motion as made by Miss Meyer and seconded by Daly to approve the items listed on the Consent Agenda. **Under the question:** There were none. **Roll Call: Mrs. Belles, Mr. Bentley, Mr. Daly, Mr. Hall, Mr. Wayman, Miss Meyer, and Mrs. Dekar; YES.**

Vote to re-advertise the employment opportunity in the Department of Public Works for the position Operator Class B - Probationary. A motion as made by Mr. Daly and seconded by Mr. Wayman to re-advertise the employment position in the Department of Public Works for the position of Operator Class B – Probationary. **Under the question:** There were none. **Roll Call: Mrs. Belles, Mr. Bentley, Mr. Daly, Mr. Hall, Mr. Wayman, Miss Meyer, and Mrs. Dekar; YES.**

Vote to post the Code Enforcement Officer employment opportunity in accordance with the Borough's hiring policy. A motion as made by Mrs. Belles and seconded by Miss Meyer to post the Code Enforcement Officer employment opportunity in accordance with the Borough's hiring policy. **Under the question:** There were none. **Roll Call: Mrs. Belles, Mr. Bentley, Mr. Daly, Mr. Hall, Mr. Wayman, Miss Meyer, and Mrs. Dekar; YES.**

Recess – Mrs. Dekar recessed the meeting at 5:52pm.

Executive Session – The Borough Council went into executive session at 6:05pm to discuss a personnel issue regarding the Borough's non-bargaining unit employees. The session ended at 6:20pm.

Adjourn – A motion was made by Mr. Daly and seconded by Miss Meyer to adjourn the meeting at 6:20pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



David M. Jarrett
Borough Manager/Secretary

