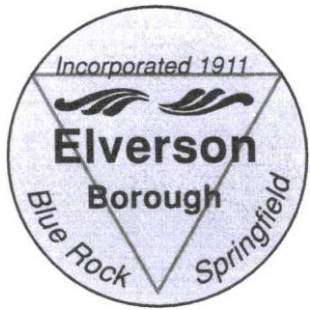




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July 7, 2026

The monthly meeting of the Elverson Borough Council was held on July 7, 2026, and called to order at 7:00 PM by Council President, Dennis Kurtz who led the Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer.

ATTENDANCE:

Council Members: Dennis Kurtz, Thomas Feeley, Mike Trojecki, Laura Pennza, Julie Duffy, Jon Mountz, Mayor Cindy Franchitti and Secretary/Treasurer, Lorrie Stolz
Absent: Turner Stoltzfus

Also in attendance: Greg Philips, PP&O; Lisa Palser, Parks, Rec., and Trails Committee; Merle Stoltzfus; Esther Prosser

MINUTES:

Motion made by Julie Duffy and seconded by Mike Trojecki accept the June 2, 2026, Council meeting minutes as submitted. Motion carried by all.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Lisa Palser discussed the S. Brick Ln grant funding; she stated they have received all the easement agreements, and they are ready to go out for bid for the project. Lisa stated there is \$18,000 remaining in the grant funds and they would like to use that money to have the survey done. Greg stated Council needs to authorize Lorrie to contact the state and make the changes to the grant agreement in order to use it for the survey, design, and Engineering. He stated the deadline to spend the grant money is November 30, 2026, and no more extensions will be allowed. Merle Stoltzfus discussed the funding sources that may be available for this trail. Merle requested Council authorize the Engineer to put this project out to bid.

Motion made by Julie Duffy and seconded by Jon Mountz to authorize the Borough's Engineer to put this out for bid and authorize Parks and Recreation to talk to the developer and the church and also give permission to the Engineer to seek out other grants for this trail.

Mike Trojecki stated he feels this project is being rushed. Tom Feeley also stated he did not know about this plan and feels this project is being rushed. Greg stated if Council does not spend this grant money by November 30, 2026, they will have to send it back; he stated the Borough does not need to finish this project now. Council could seek out other grants to complete the project in the future. Greg explained if Council approves this Lorrie will contact DCED and have them change the scope of this grant for the design.

Motion carried by all.

Esther Prosser discussed the Elverson Boy's Pickleball Group that her sister and her have started. The group meets every Monday morning.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Motion made by Mike Trojecki and seconded by Julie Duffy to accept the Treasurers Report and pay the bills as presented. Motion carried by all.

PRESIDENTS REPORT:

None.

MAYORS REPORT:

Cindy Franchitti unfortunately stated the Boy Scouts were not able to help clean out the property at 30 N. Chestnut St. She discussed Elverson Day and even in spite of the weather they still had a great turnout. Cindy discussed the Christmas tree lighting event and stated they are considering moving the event to Livingood Park this year and buying a bulb tree to decorate. Cindy mentioned she sent out letters to the landlords to schedule a meeting regarding the Borough's Rental Ordinance. Cindy stated the trees on S. Pine St. have been trimmed. Cindy also discussed two quotes she received from Tapco for digital speed limit signs. One quote is for a permit sign, and one is for a sign on a trailer that could be moved around the Borough. Motion made by Julie Duffy seconded by Mike Trojecki to approve the quote from Tapco for the digital sign with the trailer in the amount of \$8,303.00.

Motion made by Jon Mountz seconded by Laura Pennza to table this item until next month. Motion carried 6-1 Julie Duffy as opposed.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Laura Pennza discussed the website, and stated Course Vector has implemented the requested improvements.

PARKS, RECREATION & TRAILS:

Laura Pennza suggested putting a sign on the concession stand above the bottle filler that says "Water" to bring it to people's attention. Tom Feeley stated he will have the handyman install a sign.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS:

Tom Feeley stated there is someone interested in painting the sides of the skatepark and a company that will donate anti-graffiti paint for the skatepark. Tom mentioned the handyman stained the gazebo to help with the bees. He also mentioned our handyman will be fixing the steps at Borough Hall.

STREETS AND LIGHTS:

Julie Duffy discussed the parking area at Livingood Park on Yeingst Dr.

Laura Pennza discussed the parking on Main St. at N. Yeingst St. She stated even though there are painted hash lines people park on the lines. Laura suggested the Borough install No Parking signs there.

STATE POLICE:

Dennis Kurtz reviewed the State Police report; there were no concerns.

EHBEMS ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Barclay Hargreaves discussed the EHBEMS Advisory Committee meeting which was held on June 10, 2026. Barclay discussed the finances of the ambulance and stated the committee suggested the Chief look into setting up an Authority.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

Barclay Hargreaves mentioned he is currently working with the Department of Emergency Services to set up a workshop to collaborate with the Council.

BUILDING AND ZONING:

Dennis Kurtz discussed Kraft Municipal Group's report; there were no concerns.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY:

Dennis Kurtz discussed the Municipal Authority's report; there were no concerns.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Dennis Kurtz discussed the Liability and Property Insurance recommendations the Borough received from their insurance company. Tom stated these are things the handyman can repair.

Dennis Kurtz submitted his resignation from the Historic Commission.

Motion made by Julie Duffy seconded by Jon Mountz to accept Dennis' resignation from the Historic Commission. Motion carried by all.

Dennis Kurtz stated that Jessica Estes would like to be appointed to the Historic Commission.

Motion made by Julie Duffy seconded by Tom Feeley to appoint Jessica Estes to the Historic Commission. Motion carried by all.

Dennis Kurtz stated the Historic Commission would like to purchase twenty-five more "History of Our Community" books at a cost of \$314.79. Currently the Borough is completely out of books; Council agreed more books are needed and recommended Lorrie order twenty-five books from Masthof Press.

Julie Duffy discussed different topics that were discussed at the PSAB conference.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Mike Trojecki and seconded by Jon Mountz to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:32PM.

Respectfully,

Lorrie Stolz
Secretary Treasurer