

RIEGELSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING  
Community Affairs/Utilities/Streets Properties/Finance  
Municipal Building  
APPROVED June 4, 2025

President Thomas Stinnett called the Riegelsville Borough Committee Meetings to order at 7:00 pm June 4, 2025. The Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call: PRESENT: Ed Bartosiewicz, Gary Chase, Mike Pulsinelli, Rodney Scott and Thomas Stinnett. Others Present: Mayor Boenzli, Sherry Masteller-Borough Secretary, Jim Kopchak-Zoning officer and Frank Preedy-EMC. 2- members of the Community were present.

Motion to approve May 7, 2025, Community Affairs and Utilities minutes, **M. Pulsinelli motioned to approve, G. Chase Seconded. Unanimous.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

M. Woerner/Borough resident asked the Council during the last meeting R. Ryan was asked to move his camera and the Council was going to look into this. R. Scott reported that since the camera was not impeding others it did not need to be moved.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Community Affairs:** Ed Bartosiewicz-Council Chairperson.

**Zoning:** J. Kopchak, Borough Zoning Officer, reported to the Council his June 2025 report and report on file.

**3-Zoning Permits- 2-reroof, 1 Floodplain review.**

**Enforcement Activities:**

546 Easton Road (Stop Work order/Flood plain ordinance violation). The walking bridge that was constructed at the rear of the property. A violation notice was sent to the D. Frank.

**Property Maintenance Violations:**

**821 Durham Rd:** The Council approved the 90-day extension. August 21, 2025.

**428 Poplar Rd:** Complaint was received property maintenance issue- will be inspected on June 11. There is also overgrown vegetation obstructing the roadway site triangle. R. Scott will discuss it with M. Brady.

**ZHB (Zoning Hearing Board) meetings:** None Scheduled.

**Other items:** Todd Myers-Flood plain manager and J. Kopchak made recommendations regarding the Borough Fee schedule. The final draft was sent to T. Macaluso on May 29, 2025.

**Library News:** May 2025 director's report received and filed in the office. The Alzheimer's June 11 program has been postponed.

**PRFR (Palisades Regional Fire Rescue) News:** J. Mease, Commissioner, is moving, so they will let us know who will be taking care of the monthly reports.

**Riegelsville Enhancement Committee:** Next meeting Thursday June 5, 2025, 6:00pm. They mulched the flower beds and added plants, decorated for Memorial Day and doing garden awards.

**UBREMS (Upper Bucks Regional EMS):** In May the Borough sent half (\$9,000.00) of the 2025 budgeted \$18,000.00. We are waiting for an update.

**Rec Board News:** The Palisades Rec Softball has a few more games and their season will be done. The men's Baseball team continues until August.

**Riegelsville Emergency Management:** F. Preedy thanked the Borough Council for the first duck bill valve for flood remediation. He attended webinars for Flood plain mitigation and PEMA. Bucks County added Fire first training to their Vo Tech.

**Riegelsville Planning Commission:** T. Stinnett reported that September will finalize the workshops. Next meeting is July 7, 2025.

**Utilities:** Gary Chase-Council Chairperson.

**EPA/PADEP Service Line Inventory update:** No update.

**Public sewer proposal discussion:** Audrey/Cowan Associates was asked to look over the EPIC (Environmental Policy Innovation Center) information and get back to G. Chase and R. Scott with opinions and concerns. T. Stinnett suggested a Teams meeting with Christina/Mid-Atlantic Manager for EPIC for more information.

**Easton Road Traffic Signal Replacement update:** The placement of the signal equipment is being decided. There will be a Public presentation of this project from Pennoni Engineering on July 9, pm during the Borough Council meeting.

**Stormwater Drainage System update:** Purchased the valve to do Cedar/Durham Road drain first.

**Riegelsville Borough Curb Stop Repair/Replacement Program:** "Notice of intent to award" completed 5/27/25.

**Generator & Well Upgrade Grant:** Grant submission was on 4/29/25, the earliest we will hear will be 1/2026.

**Well 1 & 2 electrical work update:** The work has been completed.

**Utilities/Streets & Properties Reimbursement Resolution:** Draft resolution is being put together.

**Removal of unregistered, missing plate, uninsured and/or disabled cars from Borough streets:** The Borough office has received complaints and will compile a list.

**Taxing Airbnb and Second Homeowners** - Borough Council is exploring an ordinance to tax second homeowners and Airbnb owners for EIT losses.

**Streets & Properties:** Rodney Scott -Council Chairperson.

**Borough Building Safety Score & Cert. of Occupancy:** R. Scott reported that the Borough will need to hire an architect for a formal evaluation.

**Arborvitaes/fence on the Delaware Hill Update:** This item is on Matt's list about 3 weeks out.

**Durham Road small parking lot/pocket park:** R. Scott reported that the Borough will need to hire an architect to help with this project ideas.

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**Rental Property Inspection Program:** R. Scott has been attending 2-hour webinars on this program and will get the council the recordings when they are completed.

**Finance:** Michael Pulsinelli- Council Chairperson

**IT, Website updates:** The website is updated.

**The Borough Fee schedule:** The Council received the draft fee schedule and will be added to the Council agenda on June 11, 2025, for vote.

**Bucks Run 2025/2026 Annual Pre-pay agreement:** 3200 gallons are needed for the year. Cost \$9,436.80 will be added to the Council agenda on June 11, 2025, for vote.

The Borough Council looked over the June financials.

**NEW BUSINESS:** PennDOT has a traffic survey company in Riegelsville doing traffic counts on Borough roads and did not inform the borough office. A Borough resident contacted the office and S. Masteller contacted the Traffic Company for more information.

**The meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM. Next Council Committee meetings: July 2, 2025, at 7:00pm.**

Sherry Masteller

Borough Secretary