

RIEGELSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING
Community Affairs/Utilities/Streets Properties/Finance
Municipal Building
APPROVED September 2, 2026

President Thomas Stinnett called the Riegelsville Borough Committee Meetings to order at 7:00 pm September 2, 2026. The Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call: PRESENT: Ed Bartosiewicz, Beth Baird, Gary Chase, Rodney Scott and Thomas Stinnett. Other Present: Sherry Masteller-Borough Secretary, Frank Preddy-EMC. 4- members of the Community.

Motion to approve August 5, 2026, Council Committee Minutes, G. Chase motioned to approve, E. Bartosiewicz Seconded. Unanimous.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Brian Woolverton and Jarred Oberman (business owners) introduced themselves to Borough Council. They are opening up "Top Water Tattoo" at 107 Delaware Road. They love the community and can't wait to open in a few weeks.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Community Affairs: Ed Bartosiewicz-Council Chairperson.

Zoning: J. Kopchak, Borough Zoning Officer, was absent- September 2026 report will be filed when received.

Beth Baird reported that her and Mayor Viana Boenzli have been working to finish the draft chicken ordinance that was started by previous council person. Beth would like to take a straw poll from the Council member to see if they should continue. Tom, Ed and Rodney said yes to moving forward. Gary stated there will be increased expenses for the Zoning officer to enforce the ordinance. Currently there are rats in the neighborhood due to the chickens/ducks. They are roaming 611 and Riegelsville roads. Gary said no to moving forward with the draft. Beth said the draft includes penalties if the ordinance isn't followed. Beth & Viana will continue and keep council updated.

Library News: August 2026 director's report received and filed in the office. David Winston was present from the Library Board of Trustees. They celebrated their 50th anniversary on August 15, approximately 50-60 people stopped by. Adult program "Introduction to Basic Astrology" 4-part course, was well attended. The treasurer's position is still available.

PRFR (Palisades Regional Fire Rescue) News: No report at this time.

Riegelsville Enhancement Committee: September 3rd next meeting at 5:30. Fall clean up and mums

SLETS (St Luke's Emergency and Transport Service): no update.

Rec Board News: 1 Girls Fall Softball team. Men's Baseball plays until end of August. The 35th Annual Fall Rollout flyer is out. Sunday November 1. The first car show meeting is 9/10 at 7pm.

Riegelsville Emergency Management: F. Preddy reported he attended PEMA quarterly training with 54 municipal EMCs. Frank will have a National Guard update at the October meeting. Hazardous mitigation resolution will be added to the Council Business meeting next week.

Riegelsville Planning Commission: T. Stinnett reported no September meeting due to Labor Day.

Utilities: Gary Chase-Council Chairperson:

EPA/PADEP Service Line Inventory update: G. Chase reported in the middle of September all service line material updates need to be at Cowan's so they can prepare their November report.

Riegelsville Borough Lead Service Line Investigation project: Waiting on DCED to publish the grant awards. Soft dig design and bid preparations should start in December.

GLG Traffic Signal Replacement update: Pole spot meeting is next week. Construction will start November and majority in 2027.

Sycamore Road Stormwater Drainage System update: Project is completed.

Riegelsville Borough 2026 Curb Stop Repair/Replacement Program update: Completed and the two additional emergency curb stop replacements are completed, also.

Riegelsville Borough 2027 Curb Stop Repair/Replacement Program update: This was discussed during the last meeting. January or February, 2027, the project will be put out for bid.

Explore replacing Borough water meters with Cowan; similar to curb stop program: Core & Main consultants will do a presentation at next week's Council meeting. This company was referred to by Cowan.

2027 Leak Detection Program Discussion: We are in the process of looking for a new company for detection.

ARRO & Riegelsville Borough Well updates: Crystal/Cowan is working with ARRO.

Generator & Well Upgrade Discussion: "The Small Water Grant"- the road will need to be modified for this project. Cowan is designing, then there will be the bidding process.

Streets & Properties: Rodney Scott -Council Chairperson.

Borough Building Safety Score & Cert. of Occupancy: Rodney reported that Mike Kummer/Electrician with help with this project.

Durham Road small parking lot/pocket park: R. Scott is meeting with the architect this week.

Fire house lease Discussion: Electric quote approved August 12. Contractor is doing the permit app and working with Met-Ed.

Stencil quote/ Public Works Department: R. Scott approved the purchase of stencils E. Bartosiewicz seconded Unanimous.

Large pothole Wayside way & Walnut lane-by Frigid Freeze. We will make a temporary fix; this has been added to the 2027 street repair and paving.

Change basement doorknob/lock: Rodney has one and will take care of this.

Possible new Borough Park sign, at Ash Lane: Viana is working on a design.

New Furnace provider discussion: Rodney will call around for a boiler company. Matt has contacted Cooper and they are coming September 22 to look at our boiler.

2027 Borough Street Repair & Paving Program Discussion: Projected roads: Linden Lane, Wayside way, Maplewood, Cedar and Sycamore. There possibly may be a grant for paving.

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IT, Website updates: Viana reported that the website is updated.

BC Board of Health-Rodent issue: Beth suggested leaving the links on the Borough website.

Pennoni invoice: Beth will start putting the “GLG project” invoices in for reimbursement through the Grant.
The Borough Council looked over finances.

The meeting adjourned at 8:34 PM.

Next meetings:

Council Business Meeting: September 9, 2026, 7pm.

Sherry Masteller

Borough Secretary