

**TURBOTVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES  
September 8, 2025**

**OPENING:** Meeting came to order at 7:00 p.m.

**COUNCIL PRESENT:** Christina Mensch, Pat Betz, Tom Barrett, Steve Snyder, Adam Kocher and Mayor Ben Gilbert, Betty Figels arrived at 7:28pm.

**ABSENT:** Paul Franke

**VISITORS:** .Rick Dandes, Daily Item reporter

**OTHERS:** Mileta Joe, Secretary, Jeremy LeBarron, Maintenance Supervisor and Donna Lynn, Tax Collector

**PRESENTATION:**

**MAYORAL REPORT:**

Ben Gilbert showed Council an ariel photograph of the Borough of Turbotville taken by Greg Cromer and suggested that the borough might consider purchasing a larger print for the borough office. A framed 27" x 40" photo would cost \$295.00. A motion was made by Steve Snyder to purchase a photograph and motion was seconded by Pat Betz for a 27" x 40" framed photograph. Moton carried.

**SECRETARY/TREASURER:**

A motion to accept the Financial Report was made by Steve Snyder and seconded by Tom Barrett. Motion carried.

A motion to accept the Treasurer Report was made by Adam Kocher and seconded by Tom Barrett. Motion carried.

A motion to pay all September Bills was made by Steve Snyder and seconded by Pat Betz. Motion carried.

Adam Kocher made a motion to complete the August 25<sup>th</sup> minutes with the following addition: The executive session held on Aug. 25<sup>th</sup> reconvened at 7:55pm with a motion made by Pat Betz and seconded by Betty Figels. Motion carried. A motion to adjourn the Aug. 25<sup>th</sup> meeting was made at 7:56 pm by Pat Betz and seconded by Tom Barrett. Motion carried.

Secretary handed out to each council member a spreadsheet for 2026 budget work.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

PSATS of Northumberland County will offer a grid-scale solar workshop from 9a-noon on October 21 at Point Township, 759 Ridge Rd., Northumberland. Any councilmember, planning or zoning committee wishing to attend should notify the secretary by next meeting date. Christina Mensch showed an interest in attending, depending on her health.

Northumberland County Board of Elections sent a letter of request for the use of the borough building for election day November 4, 2025. They will deliver the voting machines on the morning of Tuesday, October 28<sup>th</sup>.

Senator Culver will host a Municipal Grant Seminar from 9:30-am-11:30am Wednesday, October 1, at the Montour County Administration Bldg., 435 E. Front St., Danville. Secretary would like to attend along with any other members willing to attend this free seminar. Deadline to register is Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>.

**SOLICITOR:**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS: Progress Report**

**EQUIPMENT, BUILDINGS & RECREATION:**

**FINANCIAL COMMITTEE:**

Financial committee has been in contact with Turbotville National Bank regarding the two maturing CD's and suggest council consider selecting 15-month CD lengths with an interest rate of 3.99% for both CD's. A motion to select 15-month timeframe with 3.99% interest was made by Pat Betz and seconded by Steve Snyder. Motion carried.

**STREETS/HIGHWAYS:**

Steve Snyder reported that he and Jeremy LeBarron are reviewing borough streets for consideration of surface work for the 2026 year.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT:**

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:**

**GRANTS:**

Paul Franke was in contact with Berry Garverick of PennDOT and received an updated material list cost for the possible Virgin Lane grant submission.

**MEETING DATES:**

<b>COG:</b>	<b>COMMUNITY HALL:</b>	<b>TCC:</b>	<b>FIRE DEPT.:</b>	<b>CARNIVAL</b>
<b>Aug. 19</b>	<b>Aug. 19</b>	<b>Oct. 1</b>	<b>Aug. 14</b>	<b>Aug. 18</b>

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Upon further review council noted that the office can acquire a complete Borough Code Book free of charge on-line for download. Secretary will look into this.

A discussion on several donations to non-profit organizations was discussed and tabled until a later date.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Secretary requested Council approve MMO paperwork that needs to be submitted by Sept. 26, 2025. A motion to accept the rate was made by Betty Figels and seconded by Adam Kocher. Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE COMMITTEE:**

Steve Snyder made the suggestion that Council should consider hiring a grant writer so that we can qualify for many of the grants available but don't know about. Jeremy LeBarron stated how Muncy Borough has received a million-dollar grant, non-matching funds. We could be missing out on this type of opportunity. Council asked Jeremy LeBarron to contact Muncy Borough and get the name of their grant writer for next meeting date.

**PERSONNEL:**

Steve Snyder made a request to go into executive session with no vote upon reconvening at 7:48pm with Jeremy LeBarron first and Ben Gilbert second and the motion was seconded by Pat Betz. Motion carried.

A motion to reconvene was made at 8:27pm by Adam Kocher and seconded by Betty Figels. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion to adjourn was made at 8:27pm by Betty Figels and seconded by Tom Barrett. Motion carried.

Next meeting Monday, September 29, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at the Borough Building.

Respectfully Submitted by  
Mileta Joe, Secretary