

BEAVER MEADOWS BOROUGH
COUNCIL GENERAL MEETING
August 4th, 2025

The Beaver Meadows Borough Council held a general meeting on Monday, August 4th, 2025, at 6:30 PM in the Council Chambers of the Beaver Meadows Borough Building. After the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag, the following Council members answered roll call, taken by Secretary Laura Coppersmith: Council President Michael Baran, Vice President B.J. Cryder, Michael Gerhard, Barb Brandon. Solicitor Robert Yurchak and Mayor Thad Williams were also present. Bill Curilla, P.J. Sateach, and Dydyna Tranguch were absent.

Councilor Cryder made the motion to dispense the reading of the minutes from the July 7th general meeting. Second by Councilor Gerhard. Roll Call: All Yes.

Councilor Brandon made a motion to accept the minutes Second by Councilor Cryder. Roll Call: All Yes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

NA

COMMUNICATIONS

NA

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ENGINEERING:

NA

STREETS: Councilor Cryder reported that the 2025 paving project is on schedule and will be advertised to take bids.

POLICE: Officer Melvin read the following report: The Police report for July is as follows: Responded to a call of a deceased male. We assisted zoning with serving 2 eviction notices, 1 report of damage to a vehicle, 1 report of downed wires, 1 fire alarm, and 4 reports of harassment. We assisted EMS on 2 occasions. There were 14 parking tickets issued, 19 traffic citations issued, and three traffic warnings issued. There were also 3 warnings issued, and 3 zoning violations issued.

SANITATION: Councilor Brandon reported that garbage and recycling issues have been resolved.

BUILDINGS: Councilor Cryder reported that he got a call about the stucco, and he will call and get a quote. Marty advised the fire alarms in the police department and garage are outdated and need replaced.

WATER & SEWER: President Baran reported that past due accounts are at \$2,593 over 90 days. Mary will start sending out shut-off notices.

PARKS & RECREATION:

Councilor Brandon reported that the concert in the park went well and there were positive comments about Harmony Hall.

ZONING: Councilor Gerhard read his report.

There were 15 quality of life tickets and 3 UC permits issue

CCCOG: Councilor Cryder had nothing to report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Councilor Gerhard made a motion to adopt the noise ordinance. Second by Councilor Brandon. Roll Call: All Yes.

Councilor Gerhard made a motion to adopt the parking ordinance. Second by Councilor Brandon. Roll Call: All Yes.

NEW BUSINESS:

FINANCIAL REPORT

General Checking	\$193,939.53
Garbage Checking	\$108,470.75
Sewer Checking	\$244,402.07
Water Checking	\$91,570.17
Liquid Fuels Checking	\$37,460.98
Police Dept. Checking	\$2,799.32
Recreation Checking	\$55.61
General MMA Checking	\$25,811.46
Harmony Hall	\$50.30

Councilor Cyder advised he was contacted last Sunday about the condition of the fire pole and how it is leaning a lot more than usual. He advised that he went and checked it out, and it looks like the base is starting to crumble; he will reach out and obtain some prices. The borough owns the pole. Councilor Cryder believes the pole needs to be replaced. Councilor Cryder will get ahold of a couple of contractors and see what we can do, and he will let the council know what the price is coming to and what our options are.

Councilor Brandon made a motion to give Mary Rayno a \$2.00 an hour raise to bring her pay rate to \$14.00 an hour. Second by Councilor Gerhard. Roll Call: All Yes.

Councilor Cryder made a motion to hire Barb Brandon at \$13.00 an hour to clean Harmony Hall after events. Second by Councilor Gerhard. Roll Call: All Yes. Except Councilor Brandon abstained.

Councilor Gerhard made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Second by Councilor Brandon. Roll Call: All Yes.

Councilor Brandon made a motion to approve the bills and salaries. Second by Councilor Gerhard. Roll Call: All Yes.

Councilor Gerhard made a motion to approve the receipts. Second by Councilor Brandon. Roll Call: All Yes.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

- Kevin Hines expressed his frustration about property 130 and 131 Penrose Street. He said the grass is always high and then he feels that they are being told the zoning officer will be coming and miraculously the grass gets cut.
- Tom Katchur complained the businesses aren't paying for two garbage's and asked if president Baran was paying for two garbage's because of his business.
- Tom Cherneski advised the ground receptacles are not working and need replacement.
- Meg Baran complained about 56 New Street and the fact she has an Airbnb. She says parking is a nightmare and the owner argues with her.

Council President Baran made a motion to adjourn until the next General Meeting to be held on September 2nd, at 6:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laura Coppersmith
Borough Secretary