SELINSGROVE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, May 11, 2026

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: C/P Bobbie J. Owens, C/P Richard Mease, C/P Todd Cox, C/P Alex Donchak, C/P Christian Schlieder (arrived at 7:05PM)
COUNCIL MEMBERS VIA ZOOM/TELEPHONE: N/A
COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: C/P Scott M. Frost, C/P Sara Maul

OTHERS PRESENT: Mayor Michael Bolig, Solicitor Matthew Cravitz, Borough Manager/Secretary Lauren Martz, Assistant Borough Manager/Treasurer Sharon Badman, Chief Petrovich, Kelli Shaffer, Marya X-Rivera, Juan Colon, Dalicinys Olcar, Kayden McClusky, Ayram J Colon, Tom Hartman, Joel Wilkson, Doug Sprenkle, Katherine Furlong, Mark Kain, Jeff Reed, Jon Burns, Helen Walter, Marcia Moore, Paul C. Donecker, Joe Kleinbauer, Nathan Morgan, Matt Smith, Jason Kaufman

OTHERS ON ZOOM: N/A

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: Vice President Owens called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. Borough Manager/Secretary Lauren Martz called the roll and acknowledged a quorum. Vice President Owens called for a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE THESE MINUTES MAY TAKE PLACE OUT OF ORDER AS LISTED ON THE AGENDA.
COMMITTEE/COMMISSION/BOARD REPORTS, F. 2.
C/P Cox made a motion approving to hire Police Officer Ayram Colon Rivera. C/P Donchak seconded the motion.
AYES: FOUR (4) NAYS: NONE MOTION CARRIED

BOROUGH ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS, A. 1.
Mayor Bolig initiated the swearing in of Police Officer Ayram Colon Rivera

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES FROM COUNCIL MEETINGS ON April 6 and April 17, 2026:
C/P Mease made a motion to approve the minutes as written from April 6 and April 17, 2026. C/P Cox seconded the motion.
AYES: FIVE (5) NAYS: NONE MOTION CARRIED

GOVERNMENT AND NON-GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES TO BE HEARD:
DH&L Fire Company: C/P Owens stated Jason Kaufman is at another meeting and may attend later.
DH&L Ambulance League: No report.
DH&L Fire Police: No report.
Selinsgrove Projects Inc (SPI): No report.
Selinsgrove Chamber of Commerce: Helen Walter reported on the Chocolate Stroll. There is a new Discover Selinsgrove brochure which was completed in collaboration with Selinsgrove Projects Inc noting upcoming events for the Selinsgrove Downtown.
Selinsgrove Area Recreation Inc.: C/P Mease reported there are still some leaks at the pool. Monday, May 25th is free for Memorial Day, and swimming lessons are free this season.
Selinsgrove Flood Task Force: No meeting.
Parks & Recreation Committee: No meeting.
R.E.C.: No report.

OTHER PERSONS TO BE HEARD:

A. Doug Sprenkle, owner of 121 David Street, brought his concerns that Weiser Run is having on real estate along the run due to erosion. He is seeking resolve from the Borough. Solicitor Cravitz did mention that the Borough does not maintain any watercourse; if the Borough steps in it will set a precedent for future care of that watercourse and from a legal standpoint it is not recommended for the Borough to take on that responsibility. The watercourses are the responsibility of the adjacent property owners to maintain. Mr. Sprenkle would like to know how it can be addressed. C/P Owens stated the topic could go to the Public Facilities and Services Committee under C/P Maul to review and decide on how to proceed.

B. Kelli Shaffer of Eighth Street spoke to Council with concerns about how Council is handling money for the Borough. She stated the expenses of studies for additional walkways are not benefiting the Borough residents. Her concern is the blight in the Borough. She wants to see enforcement to keep squatters out of the blighted properties and to keep the properties mowed. C/P Owens stated that some of the blighted properties are due to past flooding and are being addressed, but they can take years to complete. She also stated that the walkability and floodplain management studies completed were not paid for by the residents; it was paid by grant funds to address flood preparedness to prevent further blighted properties due to flooding. The required financial match on the floodplain management study was paid through the Rudy Gelnett Fund and not through local tax money. This study benefits the community since the floodplain continues to grow. The walkability study goes well with the flood preparedness study to create future grant opportunities to help with utility infrastructure and enhance recreation along flood impacted areas which enhances the community, makes it safer, reduces blight and increases tourism. Ms. Shaffer said she just hopes the Finance Committee is looking at other grants to help benefit the residents.

C. Joe Kleinbauer also raised concerns about the erosion of properties next to Weiser Run and wanted to know how to address the issue. He was also directed to attend the next Public Facilities and Services Committee meeting where the matter would be discussed.

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION/BOARD REPORTS:

A. ADMINISTRATION/FINANCE COMMITTEE – BOBBIE OWENS, CHAIR

1. C/P Donchak made a motion to pay the bills. C/P Cox seconded the motion.

AYES: FIVE (5) NAYS: NONE MOTION CARRIED

2. C/P Donchak made a motion to approve the pavement patching by Dave Gutelius Excavating, Inc in the amount of $9,911.00. C/P Mease seconded the motion.

AYES: FIVE (5) NAYS: NONE MOTION CARRIED

3. C/P Donchak made a motion to approve the sale of the 2014 Kubota mower placed on Municibid for the bid price of $9,300.00. C/P Cox seconded the motion.

AYES: FIVE (5) NAYS: NONE MOTION CARRIED

4. C/P Donchak made a motion to approve the purchase and set up of the server and domain, to include the configuration by Airiam, at the Selinsgrove Police Department in the amount of $45,562.75. C/P Cox seconded the motion.

AYES: FIVE (5) NAYS: NONE MOTION CARRIED

5. C/P Donchak made a motion to authorize the Borough Solicitor to draft and prepare all DCED required documentation to include an Ordinance for a line of credit for the Industrial Park Road Project up to $1,000,000.00. C/P Schlieder seconded the motion.

AYES: FIVE (5) NAYS: NONE MOTION CARRIED

B. PUBLIC FACILITIES & SERVICES COMMITTEE – SARA MAUL, CHAIR

1. Meeting minutes from April 16, 2026 were provided.

2. The next Public Facilities meeting will be on May 21, 2026 at 2:00 PM

C. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/CONSTITUENT OMBUDSMAN – RICHARD MEASE, CHAIR:

1. C/P Mease made a motion to approve the temporary street closure on August 13, 2026 from 4:30PM – 9:00PM for the annual Selinsgrove Rotary Wheels In The Grove event. C/P Schlieder seconded the motion.

AYES: FIVE (5) NAYS: NONE MOTION CARRIED

C/P Owens stated there is a concern about the emptying of trash before and after events. C/P Mease stated they will discuss it at the next quarterly committee meeting.

2. The next quarterly meeting will be held July 6, 2026 at the new time of 6:30PM in the Borough Council Chambers.

3. C/P Mease requested staff to include on the June 1, 2026 Borough Council agenda a discussion topic regarding all Borough Administrative staff returning to in-office work versus the hybrid work schedule they've worked since 2020.

D. PLANNING COMMISSION – JANET POWERS, CHAIR:

1. Minutes were provided for the April 15, 2026 meeting.

2. C/P Donchak made a motion to adopt Resolution 2026-07 Final Land Development for the ICON Legacy Frame Shop contingent upon the Developer's agreement and a letter of credit per Stahl Sheaffer and Solicitor Cravitz review and approval. C/P Mease seconded the motion.

AYES: FIVE (5) NAYS: NONE MOTION CARRIED

E. ZONING HEARING BOARD – ED MANN, CHAIR:

1. Minutes were provided for the April 2, 2026 meeting.

F. CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION – NATHAN MORGAN, CHAIR:

1. No meeting.

2. Approval to hire Police Officer done at the beginning of the meeting. See above.

G. SHADE TREE COMMISSION – ED SLAVISHAK, CHAIR:

1. No meeting.

BOROUGH ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

A. MAYOR – MICHAEL BOLIG

1. The Mayor initiated the swearing in of Police Officer Ayram Colon Rivera after the pledge. See above.

2. Discussion on food trucks parking in unauthorized areas causing safety and visibility issues.

B. POLICE CHIEF – FRANCIS PETROVICH

1. March 2026 Police report was provided.

2. C/P Schlieder made a motion to approve the end of Officer Alan Lynn's probationary period effective April 8, 2026. C/P Cox seconded the motion.

AYES: FIVE (5) NAYS: NONE MOTION CARRIED

3. C/P Donchak made a motion to approve the purchase of replacement bullet proof vests for Officer Hoffman and Chief Petrovich as per contract every five years. C/P Cox seconded the motion.

AYES: FIVE (5) NAYS: NONE MOTION CARRIED

4. Information was provided to Council at the meeting for consideration and potential authorization for the Police Chief and Borough Solicitor to evaluate and pursue participation in the Federal 287(g) Program and return to Council with any necessary agreements, policies, or recommendations for final approval. Solicitor Cravitz stated Council could add this to the June Council Meeting for approval since he just received it today.

C. BOROUGH SOLICITOR – MATTHEW CRAVITZ

1. C/P Schlieder made a motion to authorize the Borough Solicitor and Borough Engineer, Stahl Sheaffer Engineering, to prepare a master agreement with UGI regarding the escrow of repaving funds for Orange Street and other future roadways identified for municipal water and sewer infrastructure replacement. C/P Donchak seconded the motion.

AYES: FIVE (5) NAYS: NONE MOTION CARRIED

2. C/P Schlieder made a motion to authorize the Borough Solicitor to draft an Ordinance establishing no parking along North Liberty Alley from Spruce Street to Mill Street as well as a restriction for S. Market Street Northbound to mirror the parking restrictions on the Southbound side of the street as well as to add a yellow line. C/P Cox seconded the motion.

AYES: FIVE (5) NAYS: NONE MOTION CARRIED

3. C/P Donchak made a motion to authorize the Borough Solicitor to prepare and negotiate a new agreement with the Penn Township Municipal Authority. C/P Schlieder seconded the motion.

AYES: FIVE (5) NAYS: NONE MOTION CARRIED

4. C/P Donchak made a motion to approve the utility agreement created by Solicitor Cravitz with Charles Steininger IV for the property located at 2 South High Street pertaining to the water and sewer service based on the approved land development. C/P Cox seconded the motion.

AYES: FIVE (5) NAYS: NONE MOTION CARRIED

DH&L Fire Company: Jason Kaufman arrived at the meeting and provided his monthly report.
DH&L Fire Police: Matt Smith was present and provided an update.

D. BOROUGH ENGINEERS

1. Stahl Sheaffer Engineering:

a. The Industrial Park Road project began on April 6, 2026.

i. C/P Schlieder made a motion to approve updated change order #5 from $12,600.00 to $14,814.75 for the Industrial Park Road Project. C/P Cox seconded the motion.

AYES: FIVE (5) NAYS: NONE MOTION CARRIED

ii. C/P Cox made a motion to approve change order #6 in the amount of $7,738.08 for the sewer service line extension. C/P Donchak seconded the motion.

AYES: FIVE (5) NAYS: NONE MOTION CARRIED

iii. C/P Donchak made a motion to approve the PennDOT ECMS pay estimate #1 in the amount of $560,662.13 for the Industrial Park Road Project. C/P Schlieder seconded the motion.

AYES: FIVE (5) NAYS: NONE MOTION CARRIED

2. Larson Design Group (LDG): No report.

E. BOROUGH TREASURER – SHARON BADMAN

1. The Treasurer's end-of-month report for April 2026 was provided.

F. BOROUGH MANAGER/SECRETARY – LAUREN MARTZ

1. The monthly Manager Report for April 2026 was provided.

2. PPL has tentatively scheduled a power outage for the Borough building and the Police Station on Tuesday, May 26, 2026 due to a pole replacement.

3. Walnut Street paving project is ready to go out to bid. This will be paid for via CDBG funds.

G. ZONING – LINDSEY MULL:

1. The updated Zoning & Sign Permit list provided for April 2026.

H. EASTERN SNYDER COUNTY REGIONAL AUTHORITY (ESCRA)– RICHARD P. MEASE & CHRIS SCHLIEDER

1. Minutes were provided for the February 18, 2026 meeting.

2. C/P Mease made a motion to approve one EDU for Icon Legacy. C/P Cox seconded the motion.
AYES: FIVE (5) NAYS: NONE MOTION CARRIED

I. NORTH-EASTERN COUNTY JOINT AUTHORITY – DIANNE MENGEL AND VACANCY:

1. No meeting.

J. SELINSGROVE MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY – TIM CHARLES, CHAIR:

1. No meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

C/P Schlieder mentioned he would like to amend the motion to S. Market Street making Northbound the same as the Southbound side of the road due to visual obstruction. He would also like to see the yellow line painted for distinction. Go back to Borough Administrative Reports, C, 2

MAYOR: The Mayor stated he received an email concerning the water rising in Weiser Run.

OTHERS: n/a

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned to the Executive Session at 8:26PM for discussion of personnel and Civil Service matters. The Public session was reconvened at 8:38PM with no action taken.

C/P Schlieder made a motion to adjourn at 8:39PM. C/P Cox seconded the motion.
AYES: FIVE (5) NAYS: NONE MOTION CARRIED

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