

**MINUTES
BOROUGH COUNCIL
December 17, 2025 - 7 P.M.**

The Council Meeting was held in-person at Borough Hall. Council members present were: Ms. Johnson, Mr. Trotter, Mr. Blatt, and Mr. Trabel. Also in attendance were Borough Amy Burkhart and Mayor Johnson

Absent were Mr. Rufe, Mr. McCandless

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

In the absence of Council President McCandless, President Pro Tempore Douglass Trotter called the meeting to order and asked for everyone to rise for the Pledge to the Flag

MINUTES

There was a motion to approve the Minutes of November 19, 2025. The motion passed.

	Motion	2nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Vacant						
Jamie Johnson		X	X			
Will Rufe						X
Doug Trotter			X			
Philip Trabel			X			
Norman Blatt	X		X			
Stewart McCandless						X
Mayor Johnson						

There was a motion to approve the Minutes of December 1, 2025. The motion passed.

	Motion	2nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Vacant						
Jamie Johnson		X	X			
Will Rufe						X
Doug Trotter			X			
Philip Trabel	X		X			
Norman Blatt			X		X	
Stewart McCandless						X
Mayor Johnson						

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR/ PRE-SCHEDULED & AGENDA ITEMS – No one requested
Privilege of the Floor

INTERVIEWS OF POTENTIAL COUNCILMEMBERS - Council interviewed the following applicants for the Vacant Council seat; Robert Birk, Mark Noble, Lee Reisling, Becky Wamsley, Ashley Woods. Each applicant had several minutes to discuss their background and their interest in filling the vacant seat. Each applicant also answered questions from Council which included, why they did not run in the 2025 election, if they would be willing to serve on other boards and commissions if not appointed to Council and what area of the community they would be most interested in improving if nominated for the vacant seat.

Following interviews, interested residents were informed that nominations and appointments would take place at the January 5 meeting of Council and they should plan to attend in case there are any follow-up questions.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Burkhart noted that the next meeting is on January 5 and will be the Reorganization Meeting

A. Burkhart noted that the Public Works Association requested a change of date for a Holiday in 2025. Specifically, they would like to work on December 24 and use December 26 as the Holiday.

OLD BUSINESS - none

RESOLUTIONS FOR REVIEW/FINAL PASSAGE –

There was a motion to adopt RESOLUTION 2025 - 18 - A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF FOUNTAIN HILL APPROVING THE FOLLOWING MEETING SCHEDULE FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2026

	Motion	2nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Vacant						
Jamie Johnson		X	X			
Will Rufe						X
Doug Trotter			X			
Philip Trabel			X			
Norman Blatt	X		X			
Stewart McCandless						X
Mayor Johnson						

There was a motion to table RESOLUTION 2025 - 19 - A RESOLUTION OF THE FOUNTAIN HILL BOROUGH COUNCIL APPROVING THE FOLLOWING

HOLIDAYS / OBSERVED DAYS OFF FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026

	Motion	2nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Vacant						
Jamie Johnson	X		X			
Will Rufe						X
Doug Trotter			X			
Philip Trabel		X	X			
Norman Blatt			X			
Stewart McCandless						X
Mayor Johnson						

ORDINANCES FOR REVIEW or FINAL PASSAGE - There were no Ordinances for Review or Passage,

MOTIONS

There was a motion to approve the Holiday Change request from the Public Works Association conditioned on documentation found acceptable to the Borough Solicitor. The motion passed.

	Motion	2nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Vacant						
Jamie Johnson		X	X			
Will Rufe						X
Doug Trotter			X			
Philip Trabel			X			
Norman Blatt	X		X			
Stewart McCandless						X
Mayor Johnson						

COUNCIL PRESIDENT’S REPORT - In the absence of S. McCandless, J. Johnson reported on the upcoming Holiday Decorating Contest, scheduled for Saturday December 20, 2025.

A reminder to remove snow and ice from sidewalks during inclement weather was announced.

ADJOURNMENT – There was a motion to adjourn the Meeting. The motion passed.

	Motion	2nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Vacant						
Jamie Johnson	X		X			
Will Rufe						X
Doug Trotter			X			
Philip Trabel		X	X			
Norman Blatt			X			
Stewart McCandless						X
Mayor Johnson						

BOROUGH OF FOUNTAIN HILL
 ATTESTED

LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

BY: _____
 Amy Burkhart, Borough Manager

By: _____
 Stewart McCandless - President of Council

SUBMITTED BY: _____
 Amy Burkhart, Borough Manager