

WYALUSING BOROUGH MEETING
Wyalusing Borough Hall
April 6, 2026

The Wyalusing Borough Council held their council meeting at the Wyalusing Borough Hall on Monday April 6, 2026, at 7:00. Those in attendance were:

Council Members: Ali Huber, Josh Kilmer, Dee Huber, Brooks Blemlle

Absent: Josh VanDeMark

Others: Sandie Zionkowski, Boro Secretary, Bruce Pitts, Public Works Manager

Public: Warren Howeler, Ron Borger, Joe Rinkus, Donald Lupher

Council member Josh Kilmer led the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Josh Kilmer acknowledged the use of digital voice recorder.

Mayor's Report:

- March 9- Rainbow Club Meeting-donating scout money to 10 troops, Jack Townsend initiating turning off snowflakes.
- April 13th- 100th Anniversary Dinner at 6 at TW Room, tickets are on sale.
- June 14th at 1 to 4 -100th Anniversary Celebration at Borough Park
- March 10th and March 24th- Rotary Meeting- prospective members present, discussion regarding community project (group was advised to submit plans to borough council in April before plans need to be submitted for grant.)
- Earth Day Clean Up 9 – 12 at Creekside Park. I recommend Bruce provides guidance regarding how to clean up sticks, etc.
- March 10th- Wyalusing Community Corp Meeting
- Discussion on working with Wyalusing Community Theatre to fundraise and have events. Controlling electric cost at TW Room discussed.
- March 10th Lions Club Meeting- Plan to participate in Earth Day Cleanup 9 – 12 at WVHS after Lasagna International
- Gun Bingo Fundraiser at Black Walnut Legion 8/22
- Donating to Mental Health providers in the area
- March 10th and April 1st- Wyalusing Community Theatre Meeting0 next event Death Trap May 2nd, at 2 and 7, May 3rd at 2 and TW Building
- Raffle ticket sales for lights
- April 3rd – WAVFD Dinner
- April 4th Library Fundraiser and WAVFD Ribbon Cutting

Citizens' Comments & Concerns:

- Ron Borger, JHA and Joe Rinkus, LHC were in attendance to present plans for D&C Truck Stop project anticipated to be located behind the plaza on Route 6. Rocky presented Council with a preliminary map of the plans. Plans are in the preliminary stages. Council, Ron and Joe discussed concerns and plans for realigning an intersection with Homets Heights, and application for this has been sent to PennDOT. Road maintenance is a concern with the Borough. Unsure of place of traffic light, questions from council concerning this, curbing and storm water concerns with council. DEP will be visiting the site soon. Project is in preliminary stages and Council has a lot of concerns and questions to be addressed prior to project moving forward.
- Donald Luper attended the meeting to discuss concerns with Borough Park Playground. Donald is offering to help with repairing and painting the playground equipment and replacing wood chips. Council advised they were in acceptance of this and for Donald to coordinate with Bruce Pitts on repairs.

Approval of Minutes: The Minutes of March 2, 2026, for the council meeting was reviewed by council members. There were no corrections to the minutes as presented. Micah Dietz made the motion to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Dee Huber. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.

Treasurer's Report:

- Dee Huber made a motion to pay the bills and accept the Treasurer's Report as presented second by Micah Dietz; the motion was carried out unanimously by voice vote.
- The Treasurer's Report was reviewed by Council members. The council accepted the report, and it was filed for audit.

Borough Maintenance/Ordinance Enforcement Officer Report:

- **Routine Town Maintenance-** Brush, branch pickup, as needed
- Garbage pickup at borough receptacles
- Service speed signs in borough

- **NON-ROUTINE MAINTENANCE**
 Litter pick up Rte. 6 and Bridge Street, Taylor Avenue
 Remove heavy debris along gutters and curbs prior to Street Sweeping April 13th
 Riverside Drive and 5th Street start shoulder/berm repair as needed
 Kilmer Creek Cleanout: contacted county agencies for available information
 Scheduled traffic light maintenance
 Christmas Lights, volunteers with own equipment took down lights

- **BUILDING & EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE**
 Wash vehicles, service small equipment, purchase handheld blowers
 Kawasaki Mule, accessories installed

Sander and Plow removed from Truck 1 and 3
F-550 rust removal and painting of frame, body and rims

➤ **CEMETERY**

Cemetery cleanup started, Don schedule resumes April 7
Mowers, adjustments and tune
Man, door on garage to be replaced

➤ **OLD BUSINESS**

- N/A

➤ **CURRENT PROJECTS**

- Felter Way: Chestnut Street no longer exists
- Fire Chief Requests update on Future Borough expansion
- Landscaping projects awarded Bennies Nursery
- Lawn mowing contracts awarded to Bruce Ashley

➤ **CREEKSIDE PARK**

- Road opens 3/23, and the park is muddy and wet. High water event
- Disk Golf needs new cards and signage. Baskets upgraded
- Branch cleanup started, Volleyball set up, monitor walking path

➤ **BOROUGH PARK**

Branch pickup, outhouses placed, cleanup for Easter Egg Hunt

➤ **GUARDIAN GREEN SPACE**

Prepare for Spring maintenance schedule and upgrades, parking area cleanup

➤ **BREWER HOLLOW**

Dep plans to inspect category 4 dam. Removal was mentioned at Borough expense
Initial walkabout, removal may become very expensive
Cleanout pipes at low water crossing

➤ **Zoning/Permits**

Firehall completed, April 4th event
D&C Quick Mart submitted development interest to BCPC. (Homets Heights Road)
Sign permit issued for new restaurant in plaza
Chuck Howard, right of way, concerns natural gas line.

➤ **CODE ENFORCEMENT**

- Suggesting to council to start legal actions on dilapidated properties
- Junk cars, (must be licensed and inspected if visible from street)

- Riverside Drive borough property cleanup (shed, chickencoop, dumpsters, weeds and brush)
- Kilmer Creek brush removal and cleanup (soil conservation and DEP)

➤ **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – N/A**

➤ **QUESTIONS FOR COUNCIL**

1. Public Works Manages borough streets, lighting, parks, equipment etc.
2. Homets Heights project? Suggest delaying project
3. Abandoned and unfit for human habitation houses
4. Deteriorated sidewalks
5. Junk and disabled cars and trucks

Council agreed to start the process of notifying owners of dilapidated homes and removal of junk cars. Contact our Solicitor, Jon Foster for guidance

Foster Correspondence and Report:

Wyalusing Municipal Authority Liaison Report:

- Minutes were submitted from the WMA- minutes were reviewed- no discussion on minutes.

Correspondence: The following correspondence was reviewed by Council members:

- (1) BCCD
- (2) Bradford County Auditor's Office
- (3) Bradford County EMS Association
- (4) Bradford County EMS Association
- (5) Bradford County Planning Commission
- (6) Bishop Brothers
- (7) Department of Transportation
- (8) PS Bank
- (9) Wyalusing Public Library

Correspondence reviewed/ discussed- no issues

New Business:

- Re-discussion of Homet Heights Paving Project- paving project has been cancelled for 2026 due to possible construction in that area of road. Motion was made to cancel the paving for now; Michah Dietz made the motion and Brooks Blemlle 2nd the motion. All bidders will be notified of the change of plans. Only one bid was received.

- Tractor Supply Retention Pond- D Naugle correspondence discussed. Inspection of this area is taking place April 7, 2026, reports will be forthcoming.
- Appointment of PA State Assoc of Boroughs Voting delegate and alternate, Josh Kilmer was nominated to be primary delegate with Micah Dietz to be the alternate. Motion made by Brooks Blemle for the nominees with Dee Huber 2nd the motion. All were in favor of the nominees.
- Adoption of 2026 Bradford County Hazard Mitigation Plan- Micah Dietz made the motion to accept the plan with Brooks Blemle 2nd the motion and Council was in unanimous agreement.

Old Business:

- Re-Visit Cemetery winter burials- it was agreed winter burials will be permitted, weather permitting. This will be reported in the Rocket Courier.

Meeting adjourned by Josh Kilmer- 7:46

Next Meeting May 4, 2026

Submitted by,

Sandie Zionkowski, Boro Secretary/Treasurer