

**Ivyland Borough Council
Meeting Minutes
June 10, 2026**

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 PM

ATTENDANCE: Scott Alden, Chuck Bristow, Todd Coulson, Sal DiPaolo, Bill Linwood, Matt Piotrowski, Todd Savarese

ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Krista DiPaolo, Recorder, Mark Freed, Mayor Tony Judice, Borough Solicitor, Janet Pacchioli, Treasurer, Chris Peterson, Borough Engineer

Establishment of Quorum:

Pledge of Allegiance:

Moment of Silence:

Minutes of 5/13/2026: Mr. Bristow made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Linwood seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0-0.

- **Treasurer's Report:**

Mrs. Pacchioli read the June 10, 2026 Treasurer's report. The balances were as follows as of 6/10/2026:

General Fund:	
Balance on Hand:	\$350,908.02
Capital Reserve Fund:	\$648,327.37
Liquid Fuel Tax Fund:	\$38,000.74
Fire Company Account:	\$99,320.86
Total Funds May 2026:	\$1,136,556.25

The Treasurer's report was accepted, subject to audit.

- **Ivyland Borough Bills List: May 2026:**

Prepaid Bills List Total:	\$137,515.20
Unpaid Bills List Total	\$9,256.30

Mr. Linwood made the motion to pay the bills. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bristow. Motion passed 7-0-0.

1. Correspondence:

- a. Pacchioli shared an event request to close Chase Avenue from 12:00 to 7:00 PM between Dubois and Twinning Avenue. The motion was made by Mr. Bristow and seconded by Mr. Linwood.
- b. An alert from the PSAB Call to Action on Monday June 8, 2026 for 1150 Senate Bill to prohibit local governing bodies from adding an issue that was not on a meeting agenda at the actual meeting. This would require municipalities to wait to post for the next meeting or call a special meeting. The Senate Bill 1150 would cost additional tax funds for special meetings.
- c. Mrs. Pacchioli received a call from the homeowner at 79 Valentine Road. She has two concerns. Groundhogs under her porch. Secondly, snakes near the Oldryd Park where her property backs up to. She was not sure what to do as a new homeowner.
- d. Mrs. Pacchioli received multiple calls about pot holes on Davis Alley in the Village. It is not clear if the streets are dedicated or not but the Borough has patched a pot hole or two in the past. Mrs. Pacchioli asked how to proceed. Mr. Savarese asked the Borough Engineer to have Carroll Engineering assess the pot holes. Mr. Piotrowski mentioned that it is not clear who owns the alleys. Mr. DiPaolo asked the borough engineer to find out if the Village streets are dedicated. Carroll Engineering did all the development for the Judd Builders of the Village. Mr. DiPaolo asked the engineer to assess the pot holes and the alley ways.
- e. Mrs. Pachiolli received a call from Continental Properties (HOA for Ivy Meadows), there is a new HOA who is asking about two fire hydrants in the Meadows. They want to know if they need to maintain these hydrants. The Fire Company uses the one on Jacksonville Road but not the other one. The HOA wants a letter from the solicitor, stating that the HOA is or is not responsible for the hydrants. Mrs. Pacchioli reached out to Chief Sharp, Mr. Cantore, and the Borough Solicitor to get clarification on this. These hydrants are private. Mrs. Pacchioli asked if we require them to get them functional, will these hydrants be part of our fire inspection? Mrs. Pacchioli expressed that this is a subject that needs to be addressed.
- f. Mrs. Pacchiolo will be on vacation from June 19 to July 4, 2026. The office is fully covered with staff. The office is closed for the June 19th and July 4th holidays.

Mrs. Fanelli will assist with one day and monitor the office in Mrs. Pachiolli's absence.

- g. The concert is June 27 with the Warminster Symphony. The Mayor, Mrs. Pacchioli, Mr. Rapp, and Mr. DiPaolo will all be away this year. Mr. Nasir and Mr. Coulson will manage this event. Inspire will have a tent, and there will be an ice cream truck. Granieri, the Country Store, Carroll Engineering, and Tony's Place are all sponsoring the event.

2. Public Comment:

- a. Krista DiPaolo - 48 Chase Avenue. Mrs. DiPaolo expressed a safety concern regarding the sidewalk at 114 Wilson Avenue. There is a large motorcycle that is always parked on the sidewalk. The sidewalk is blocked and if you are walking there, you have to walk into the street to avoid the motorcycle. This is a busy intersection with limited view for cars turning right from Greeley Avenue. In addition, the renters across from the Fire department (opposite the Alden's home) continue to park their cars on the side yard. And on the occasion when they park their cars on Dubois, they park half on the sidewalk and half on the street. This makes it hard to use this sidewalk also. Mrs. DiPaolo commented that having cars parked on the lawn looks terrible. It's a lawn, not a parking lot or driveway. Finally, speaking of safety, Mrs. DiPaolo thanked Councilman Alden for his efforts to update our stop signs. After last month's meeting, and during evening dog walks, Mrs. DiPaolo did notice that many of the Borough's stop signs are faded. Thank you Councilman Alden for being proactive and addressing this safety concern.
- b. Mr. Bristow asked if the Greeley Avenue paving was done. Mr. Peterson responded that it is not and what is seen there now has to sit for a number of days to cure before it is paved over.

3. Presentation:

- a. None

4. Code Enforcement/Zoning Report:

- a. Nothing to report

5. Report of President:

- a. Mr. DiPaolo made a motion to accept the Cohen Law Comcast proposal as presented by Mr. Freed. The motion was seconded by Mr. Savarese. The motion passed 7-0-0.
- b. Mr. DiPaolo and Mr. Bristow is in the final stages of reviewing the codes before they are approved for e-Code.

6. Engineer: Mr. Peterson presented his report:

- a. Greeley Avenue Stormwater Improvement Project Phase II: This work has been completed. What is seen on the road is temporary asphalt which has to sit for 30 days and all the piping has been installed. The anticipated date for the final paving is July 15, 2026. The contractor will come out and complete this paving which will look a lot better than what is there now. They are very pleased with how quickly this project was done.
- b. Presented to the Council, this evening is Application #1 from KB Construction LLC., to cover the improvements that were discussed this evening for the amount of \$164,143.35 for work to date. Carroll Engineering is seeking approval to have this bill paid. This does include work to date, not the wear course (for paving). Mr. DiPaolo made a motion to pay KB Construction, LLC., Mr. Linwood seconded it. Motion passed 7-0-0. Mr. DiPaolo asked who should sign the certificate attached to the email. Mr. Peterson confirmed that everything was set and it did not have to be signed.
- c. Greeley Avenue Phase III: contract documents were signed tonight. Next there will be a pre-construction meeting with Eagle next week. They are the low bidder for this piece of the stormwater project. Improvement will extend from Chase Avenue to Gough Avenue along Greeley Avenue. A note on paving, Haines will complete the Greeley pot hole repairs. Carroll will go out with Haines to coordinate their efforts. That pot hole work to date is not determined yet. There is no schedule for the work yet either. There is no schedule for Phase III project yet. Once Mr. Peterson has this information, he will share it with the Borough to alert residents that there will be temporary closures, etc.
- d. Last meeting, the Council authorized HA Wagon, Inc. to fabricate missing street signs and relocate the speed signs and this work will occur next week. The signs are completed and will be installed concurrent with the speed sign placements.

7. Solicitor:

- a. Mr. Freed shared the Comcast Cable Franchise agreement. This agreement was signed for the agreement to assign Cohen Law group for this.
- b. Per last meeting, regarding the mutual aid agreement between Ivyland Borough and Warminster Police Department, regarding coverage on whether it was in writing and current. With the help of Mrs. Pachioli, it is confirmed that the agreement is in writing and was signed back in 2000. It has provisions that the Borough will pay officers \$50 for the first half hour, then \$50 every half hour thereafter plus any costs. This agreement is still valid. Mr. Freed circulated this information to the Council.
- c. Mr. Savarese asked Mr. Freed about ordinance 20076. It addresses a different subject regarding the mutual aid agreement. Mr. Freed confirmed that the mutual aid agreement is the agreement we use.

2. Unfinished Business:

- a. Mr. Bristow asked about the house bill 1150 and having both “Old and New Business” in meetings. Mr. Freed explained that per the Sunshine Act, combined with a PA Supreme Court decision, there is an amendment that states if business is conducted at an advertised meeting, those items must be on an agenda. If a motion will be passed, it has to be on the agenda. There are some exceptions. For example, if an exception arises in 24 hours prior to the meeting, that emergency can be addressed if it involves no financial outlay. Otherwise, the item has to be put on agenda, posted, etc. There is a “catch all” provision that states, “Upon vote of Council these things can be added to the agenda.” The Supreme Court ruled that it is a stand alone exception. No matter what it is, if it is voted on, then it has to be added to the agenda and posted the next day. There was an argument about the exceptions. Then the Supreme Court did not agree. The Court said it was its own separate exception. The way the law is written is that the municipality cannot vote on something that is not on agenda. For example, if in public comment, a good point is raised, the municipality cannot vote on it. It has to be added to the agenda for the following month, or future meeting, where it can be voted on. This is arising out of an Amendment to the Sunshine Law that happened over COVID and the court’s recent interpretation of that amendment. Mr. Freed agrees it’s nice to have the flexibility to vote on something but the counter argument is that things can be voted on without the community being aware or able to attend. Mr. Bristow asked how to do things correctly in this scenario? Mr. Freed stated that Mrs. Pacchioli does a great job of contacting the Solicitor and Engineer to ensure items are added to the agenda. As practice, it is a good idea to put new items on the following month’s agenda so the public can be aware. Mr. DiPaolo also asked Council members who are not attending that month’s meeting to communicate this with the Borough so their agenda items can be included for the upcoming meeting. Mr. DiPaolo asked that their absence be shared with Mrs. Pachioli on the Friday prior to the meeting. Mrs. Pachioli does the agendas the Monday prior to the meetings.
- b. Dog barking ordinance update. The Council received a response about the correct non-emergency number to call regarding dog barking. The correct number is 215-328-8500.
- c. Mr. Bristow asked if the radar signs will be moved? Mr. Linwood confirmed that they will but they need to install posts. Mayor Judice will share where they plan to relocate the signs before moving.

8. Mayor:

- a. Police Report: For May 2026, the patrol car 3802 traveled 176 miles and patrol car 3801 traveled 562 miles. Borough Ordinance violation, summary non traffic citation issued for a barking dog. There were 33 traffic citations and 2 written warnings. There were two reportable accidents, and one non reportable accident investigated. The May court check was \$683.38. The April court check amount will be shared at a later date.

- b. While on vacation, Mayor Judice corresponded with Mrs. Michelle Bisaquino at Centennial School District. When he returned, he signed an MOU for CSD for the three police departments that feed the district regarding students who break the law during the school day while on school property. This MOU spells out how the district can communicate with police departments on alternate ways to work with students. It is a very standard MOU but there are some sections that open up communication on how to work with students. There are also considerations for students with special needs. This MOU was shared with Mrs. Pachiolli to maintain a copy at the Borough office.

9. Committee Reports:

a. Park and Recreation:

- a. Mr. Coulson thanked Mr. Bristow and Mr. DiPaolo for the Memorial Day program. He shared that the speaker did a good job during the ceremony.
- b. Mr. Coulson asked the Council for permission to solicit local businesses for gift cards as a way to promote community events and a way to offer prizes to the community. For example, if the community held a Game Night, the donations from local businesses can be used as prizes. Mayor Judice mentioned reciprocity as in what the Borough will do for the vendor. Will the vendor expect something in return? Mr. Piotrowski explained it is important to have the event established and then ask for donations. Mr. DiPaolo also expressed creating a schedule of events and mentioned there is a Capital account for Parks and Rec that can help conduct these events. Further, he suggested elevating the events to include other things and increase community involvement that way. Mr. Coulson will come back with ideas for the next meeting.
- c. Mr. DiPaolo asked Mr. Coulson if more help is needed for the Concert in the Park. Mrs. Pacchioli has another potential volunteer (on Garrison Avenue) who may be able to assist. Mrs. Hoffman shared that there is medical coverage via the Fire Department. Mayor Judice shared that trash cans must be set up, bags inserted, and cleaned up at the end of the night. Mr. DiPaolo asked the Mayor to post a request on FB and to reach out to Mr. Rapp.

b. Finance:

- a. The committee did not meet this month.

c. Public Safety:

- a. Mr. Linwood sent an email regarding the new police car and the surrounding districts who have hybrid cars on May 13, 2026. Chief Carey prefers an additional Ford Explorer. After talking to other precincts, the hybrid is not as cost effective as a Ford Explorer. The Borough has a scheduled replacement plan for replacing vehicles which is every five years. They are planning to replace the 10 year old vehicle. Mr. Linwood

is asking for a motion to start the process of purchasing a new vehicle. These cars are not leased but purchased through a subsidized program for municipal vehicles. As far as the old vehicle, we may use it as a decoy in the Borough or will trade it in. Mr. Bristow asked what the budget for the scheduled replacement program was. This program stipulates a new vehicle every five years. The vehicle that is being proposed to replace is 10 years old (patrol car #3802). The mileage should be between 40,000 and 50,00 miles. The hours are not included, it is more based on mileage. Chief Carey has started to do legwork. There is a \$30,000 budget item for updates and equipment for the car. This is the line item from the Capital account (about \$6,000 for year).. The way we purchase is a lease to buy. There is also a budget item of \$7,269.00 per year which is allotted for the new vehicle. (for five years). Mr. Bristow stated he would make a motion, and Mr. DiPaolo seconded it. Mr. Savarese suggested rewording the motion to allow Chief Carey to start the process. To start the process, per Mr. Savarese and Mr. Bristow, first we need to understand specifics related to cost and retro fitting. Then we can make a formal motion to authorize the purchase. Mr. Bristow asked Mr. Linwood will gather figures for the budget. At that time, the motion will be voted on.

- b. Mr. Linwood provided a monthly safety report to the Borough Council. Mr. Savarese shared the benefit of the monthly reports on violations, etc. Mr. Savarese also found the ordinance reports as very useful too to understand permits, zoning violations, etc. Mr. DiPaolo will follow up with Barry Iset to make these reports available to council for review.

d. Borough Property:

- a. There is nothing to report this month.

e. Planning Commission:

- a. Nothing to report this month.

f. Streets and Walks:

- a. Mr. Alden reported the supplies are in for the sign pole anchors.
- b. Mr. Alden will continue to replace the old, faded stop signs.

g. Fire Company: Mrs. Deb Hoffman shared the report for the Ivyland Fire Company for June 10, 2026: Emergency Services Updates:

- a. The department received 49 calls to date. In the last 30 days they have had 9 calls (medical).
- b. Training and Events:
 - i. The department will take part in Bucks County EMS Day
 - ii. The department has two new certified drivers
- c. Fundraisers:
 - i. Selling hamburgers, hot dogs, and chips during the concert.
 - ii. They have a fundraiser coming up on July 15, 2026.

10. Emergency Management:

- a. Nothing to report this month.

11. New Business:

- a. Mr. Piotrowski has heard from residents about electric vehicles (scooters, speed bikes, e-bikes) in the park. Mr. Piotrowski suggested signs to prohibit electric vehicles being used in the park. If signs are posted, the Borough can take action. Mr. Freed said there needs to be an ordinance. Mr. Freed asked if there is a total ban or just the use of the electric vehicles (scooters, speed bikes, e-bikes) in the park. Mr. Piotrowski suggested we follow the state laws and regulations. Enforcing this is also an area that the Council is not versed on. Mr. DiPaolo suggested that Parks and Rec could post signs. Additionally, the other consideration is these vehicles being used in the streets. The e-bikes are not supposed to go more than 20 MPH and the riders must be 16 years or older. In both cases, the Borough should have ordinances in place for this. Mr. Piotrowski requested to have Mr. Freed gather information about what should be on the signage. Mr. Piotrowski recommended the first step should be signage for the park. The current Borough ordinance states no vehicles in the park (gas or electric).
- b. Mr. Bristow relayed that he saw a blue trash truck that said, "Republic" on trash day (Tuesday, 6/9/26). Mrs. Pacchioli confirmed that Republic has purchased Leck. She will call Leck to confirm that Republic is now the contractor. Additionally, she will ask them now if they prefer the cans be oriented.
- c. Mr. Bristow also researched the cost of Republic's service and it is significantly more expensive. Mrs. Pacchioli shared that there are increased costs with Republic.
- d. Several residents have encountered a man walking around town regarding pest control who is continuing to solicit in the Borough. Mr. Bristow has encountered him twice at which time this person was told they needed a license to solicit. Mr. Bristow was able to talk to Officer Ray immediately following his last encounter with this gentleman. He asked Mr. Linwood to follow up with Officer Ray. Mayor Judice will share this information on social media.

12. Personnel:

- a. Nothing to report

13. Public comment:

- a. Nothing to report

14. Adjournment:

Mr. DiPaolo made a motion to adjourn, Mr. Linwood seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Krista DiPaolo, Recorder

Minutes Approved by Borough Council July 8, 2026
As presented