

**Ivyland Borough Council
Meeting Minutes
August 12, 2026**

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 PM

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

ABSENT: Todd Saverese

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

Establishment of Quorum:

Pledge of Allegiance:

Moment of Silence:

Minutes of 7/8/2026: Mr. Bristow made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Alden seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0-0.

- **Treasurer's Report:**

Mrs. Pacchioli read the August 12, 2026 Treasurer's report. The balances were as follows as of 8/12/2026:

General Fund:	
Balance on Hand:	\$348,096.30
Capital Reserve Fund:	\$462,361.39
Liquid Fuel Tax Fund:	\$38,220.16
Fire Company Account:	\$88,604.21
Total Funds August 2026:	\$937,282.06

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

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

Prepaid Bills List Total:	\$46,776.34
Unpaid Bills List Total	\$19,269.09

Mr. Linwood made the motion to pay the bills. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bristow. Motion passed 6-0-0.

1. Correspondence:

- a. Pacchioli shared that a budget directive was emailed to Council for the upcoming year.
- b. Mrs. Pacchioli received a call asking if there are transcripts for the monthly meetings. The video of the meetings can be available. The caller did not specify if he wanted the Zoning Hearing or monthly Borough Council meeting transcripts. The Zoning Hearing Board meetings include a fee. The caller also wanted to know how to access the information.

2. Public Comment:

- a. Mr. Chuck Mangione - Pennsylvania Avenue: Mr. Mangione wanted to offer a big, "Thank you for all you do" to the Borough Council.
- b. No online comments were submitted at this point in the meeting.

3. Presentation:

- a. No presentations were given during tonight's meeting.

4. Code Enforcement/Zoning Report:

- a. Nothing to report

5. Report of President:

- a. Mr. DiPaolo shared that the Greeley Avenue project is looking good. Also, the hotel is moving along.
- b. Mr. DiPaolo stated that he had an interaction with a teenage driver who was speeding in town this past week on Wilson Avenue toward Jacksonville Road. Mr. DiPaolo yelled at the driver (white Cadillac) to slow down as he was going over the 25 MPH speed limit. The driver came back and responded verbally and berated Mr. DiPaolo. He then drove onto the property across from the Alden's and proceeded to speed off. Mr. DiPaolo was not able to get a license plate

number as he was walking two dogs at the time. Mr. DiPaolo wanted to alert the Council about this driver.

6. Engineer: Mr. Peterson presented his report:

- a. The Greeley Avenue Stormwater Improvements Phase II: This phase has been completed. Mr. Peterson submitted a recommendation for payment on Application #2 (final), which includes a Change Order #1, represents a total increase of \$10,182 due to additional paving to make the roadway driveable. There was crumbling at the roadway edge that needed to be corrected. The payment application inclusive of Change Order #1, which is the single change order for this project, is in the amount of \$50,041.65. Carroll Engineering recommends the approval for payment of this. This is contingent upon one final punch list item. The striping on the speed bump on Greeley Avenue has not yet been completed. Mr. Peterson is requesting payment on that authorization tonight. Mr. DiPaolo asked for a motion to pay for Phase II. Mr. Linwood made the motion to pay the application. Mr. Bristow seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0-0. Mr. Peterson commented that he will need a signature on the change order at the completion of tonight's meeting.
- b. The Greeley Avenue Stormwater Improvements Phase III: The Eagle Contracting, Inc. submitted their first payment application which agrees with work done in the amount of \$155,513.25 for Payment Application #1. The contractor is waiting for the paving to settle. Then apply the waring course and compile final punch list items. Carroll Engineering expects one more payment application after this one. Carroll Engineering is not anticipating any change orders here. Mr. Peterson is requesting a payment for Application #1 in for \$155,513.25. Mr. DiPaolo asked about the wait time for paving to cure. Mr. Peterson stated 30 days. Mr. DiPaolo asked if there would be any funds available after all the project costs were paid. Mr. Peterson confirmed that all the funding was used. The project total is approximately \$431,000 and the Borough will receive \$424,000 per the grant. The LSA is coming around and Mr. Peterson recommends applying again for Phase IV. The application has not yet opened up yet but hopefully within the next six weeks. Mr. Bristow asked if there are any authorizations, from Council, that he needs to proceed with the next round of LSA funding. Mayor Judice asked if there are plans to do stormwater drain clean out, specifically, at Lincoln and Twinning Avenues. Mayor Judice brought this up to make the engineer aware that they need to be cleaned out. Mr. Piotrowski suggested waiting until after the leaves fall before cleaning out the drains. Mr. DiPaolo requested a motion to be made to pay for the current payment application for Phase III. Mr. Linwood made the motion to pay for Phase II, Mr. Coulson seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0-0. Mr. DiPaolo stated that drain cleaning can be discussed in the future. He asked Mr. Piotrowski to get some cost quotes.
- c. Alleyway paving: Haines Paving and Landscape has completed this paving in the amount of \$4,205.00. This was their quote in the proposal to the Borough. Mr. Peterson has been contact with Mrs. Pacchioli with the recommendation to get the invoice paid following satisfactory completion of the paving.

- d. Ed Oldroyd Memorial Park: The work has begun to prepare the base plan for the pedestrian crossing on Jacksonville and a sidewalk addition on Willard Avenue. The survey work is done. Carroll Engineering is also creating a base plan for designing the crossing and coordinating with PennDot.
- e. Mr. DiPaolo mentioned a plaque to recognize the park's name and the resident it is named in honor of. The suggestion was made to do something similar to the bronze plaque on Borough Hall. Suggestions were made for materials including a boulder or marble. Mr. DiPaolo asked for ideas/feedback. Ideally, the plaque will mention what was there, mention of the family, Mr. Oldroyd's life story, etc. Mr. DiPaolo asked Mr. Peterson for a concept sketch to share with him and Mr. Coulson.
- f. Mr. Coulson shared that the gazebo village needs repair. This will be mentioned in the Borough Property report.

7. Solicitor:

- a. 99 Williard Avenue Lease: Mr. Freed stated that the term has expired on the lease but there are two renewals on it. We used it on a previous renewal and there is still an additional six year renewal. The rents can be adjusted at this time, which has been done in the past. Mr. Freed just needs to know what to adjust the rents to (amount).
- b. WMA - Mr. Freed has to meet with Council and connect with Warminster's Municipal Authority's solicitor to finalize the draft language. Mr. Freed will contact the WMA to let them know the Borough is working on this presently.
- c. A quick executive session will follow this meeting.

2. Unfinished Business:

- a. Mr. Bristow shared an update on the e-Codification project. Mr. Savarese asked how the project would be presented for review. Mr. Bristow shared that the company they are working with will assist in presenting to the Council. Mr. Alden asked about Ordinance changes. He asked if the whole ordinance has to be rejected and then rewritten anew. Mr. Freed stated that changes can be made directly and approved. When this project is complete, the Council will need to advertise the Ordinances to the community. It is economical and time efficient to make updates or changes to ordinances before the final project gets advertised.

8. Mayor:

- a. Police Report: For July 2026, there were 43 service calls, 30 traffic citations and 4 written warnings. The July 2026 court check was \$808.44, the Bus Patrol ticket check was \$175.00.
- b. The Village residents on Valentine Avenue were promised a buffer between their homes and the park. This needs to be addressed. Mr. DiPaolo asked if there are

stipulations in the grant for a buffer. Mayor Judice stated a foliage buffer would not be ideal as the park view would be occluded. The buffer planning is not in the current grant funding phase. These were removed. Mr. DiPaolo asked the Council if they could task Mr. Peterson to put together a buffer plan as a separate project.

9. Committee Reports:

a. Park and Recreation:

- a. Mr. Coulson spoke with Dave Sharp about the Bonfire date as 10/17/26 with a rain date of 10/24/26.
- b. Mr. Coulson is working on a game night for the Borough.

b. Finance:

- a. Mrs. Pacchioli asked the Council to get their finances submitted

c. Public Safety:

- a. Mr. Linwood met with Chief Carey regarding the police vehicles. After that conversation, they considered another option. The lease can be extended to six years (from five) at \$9,445 per year, and is a tax exempt payment. At the end of the lease, as it is a municipal lease, the buyback is \$1.00. Over six years, the cost of the lease will be \$56,670. If the Borough is inclined, the graphics and set ups can be put on the same lease. Normally we pay that outright but we won't know what that is until we get the vehicle. In terms of the older vehicle, it will be given to another police department to be auctioned off. The thought is it can reap \$5,000. If we trade it in, we may get \$1,000 max. Previously we sold them privately for about \$500. In addition, due to the care we take of our cars, moving to a six year lease is a good idea. Mr. Lindwood is looking for a motion to approve the acquisition of a new police car. Mr. Piotrowski asked if the fire company had any interest in a police vehicle. We had done this in the past and that vehicle was not well taken care of. At this time, the fire department does not need a car for the chief. Mrs. Hoffman commented that the department does not need a car. Mr. Bristow asked about the capital account (\$30,000). Mr. Pacchioli indicated that that fund is more for the equipment and set ups for the car. DiPaolo made a motion to purchase a new police vehicle. Mr. Bristow second the motion. The motion passed 6-0-0.
- b. The next budget committee meeting is October 2, 2026 with all the finalized numbers for the vehicle. Mrs. Pacchioli said this would work and Mr. DiPaolo shared that he'd like to see the numbers for the purchase prior to the October 2026 meeting.
- c. Mr. DiPaolo asked about personnel. Mayor Judice shared that there are three candidates who expressed interest. One is just coming out of the Academy. Chief Carey is reluctant to take a new grad who may, in term, then seek out a full time position. And that candidate may not be able to work for the Borough due to a restriction with their department. Mayor Judice shared that some candidates were not ideal. This information was asked to be shared in an Executive Committee Meeting.

d. Borough Property:

- a. Mr. Coulson shared that the gazebo roof is possibly in need of repair. Mr. DiPaolo asked Mr. Piotrowski to get a quote on repair. Mr. Piotrowski asked if there is a preference for cedar shake (presently there) or asphalt shingles. A discussion ensued. Mr. Piotrowski will get two quotes but feels asphalt will be more cost effective.
- b. This Borough building (where meetings are held) and the building at 99 Willard Avenue have both failed inspection. We did not act on it because, from the lease standpoint, it was unclear who was responsible. It is now clear that the Borough is responsible.

c. Planning Commission:

- 1. Nothing to report this month.

e. Streets and Walks:

- a. Mr. Alden reported that the inlet box next to the Rowe residence appears to be collapsing. Mr. Alden recommended doing some maintenance on this. The resident at Gough and Greeley Avenues has a full inlet box. It appears full of mud and floods quickly during rain. Mr. Alden wanted to mention these inlet boxes to be looked at for remediation.
- b. Mr. Alden is continuing to work on the Borough signs. More “all way” signs are needed and will be ordered. With board approval, Mr. Alden wants to order 5 more signs at a cost of \$19.41. Mr. Alden made a motion, Mr. DiPaolo seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0-0.

f. Fire Company: Mrs. Deb Hoffman shared the report for the Ivyland Fire Company for August 12, 2026: Emergency Services Updates:

- a. In 2026, the department had 72 calls YTD; 10 in the past 30 days, (3 Fire, 7 EMS/Other).
- b. Mrs. Hoffman offered a “thank you” for those who participated in the Tony’s Place fundraiser on 7/15/26.
- c. Three members just finished their Firefighter certification
- d. The upcoming events include:
 - i. Aug 22nd – Ivyland 5K Breakfast
 - ii. Sep 5th - Coin Toss
 - iii. Sep 19th - WTHS COB
 - iv. Oct – TBD – Bonfire, Fire Prevention Night
 - v. Nov - Cancelled
 - vi. Dec 13th – Santa Breakfast
 - vii. Dec 19th – Santa Comes to Ivyland

10. Emergency Management:

- a. Mrs. Pacchioli read the Resolution to Adopt an update to the 2026 Hazard Mitigation Plan; Resolution Number 2026-1. This link was sent to the Council members. The document is over 400 pages. Mr. Bristow has started reviewing it. If there is ever a scenario where FEMA would be involved, this document would need to be in place. When this is in place, any FEMA application can be processed. Mr. DiPaolo made a motion to adopt this resolution, Mr. Bristow

seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0-0. Mr. Bristow asked that this be sent to the company updating the Borough code. Mr. Freed was not sure if Resolutions go into code. It was confirmed that ordinances are in the code.

11. New Business:

- a. Mr. DiPaolo and Mr. Bristow are waiting on Code 360 to get back to the council regarding the project completion.

12. Personnel:

- a. Personnel will be discussed in the Executive session.

13. Public comment:

- a. Mrs. Maria Alden - 49 Wilson Avenue: Mrs. Alden asked about the bricks at the Fire Department. At the 150th celebration, previous residents paid for bricks. They haven't been installed yet. Mrs. Hoffman shared that the bricks will be installed soon.
- b. No online public comments.

14. Adjournment:

Mr. DiPaolo made a motion to adjourn, Mr. Linwood seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:51 PM. An Executive Session is following this meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Krista DiPaolo, Recorder

Minutes Approved by Borough Council September 9, 2026

As presented