

**New Beaver Borough
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
April 13, 2026**

The New Beaver Borough Council held its regular meeting on Monday, April 13, 2026, in the Municipal Building on Wampum-New Galilee Road. President T. Hairhoger called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. P. Morrison led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was read with the following present: Pres. T. Hairhoger, V.P. M. Kingman, Councilpersons: J. Gubish, R. Yost, D. Badger, P. McConnell and P. Morrison, Mayor R. Crawford and Secretary/Treasurer D. Crawford. Solicitor R. Long was absent.

P. Morrison motioned to accept the minutes of the March 9, 2026 Planning Committee meeting, D. Badger seconded. Motion carried, 7-0

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D. Badger motioned to accept the bill lists and the additions to the bill list that included paying Kenworth \$125,626.00 and Stephenson Equipment, Inc. \$101,450.00 out of the liquid fuels account for the new 2026 dump truck and upfit, P. Morrison seconded. ROLL CALL: HAIRHOGGER, KINGMAN, GUBISH, YOST, BADGER, MCCONNELL and MORRISON - YES. Motion carried, 7-0.

D. Badger motioned to accept the Treasurer's Reports, P. Morrison seconded. Motion carried, 7-0.

Visitors:

Maryagnes Stuck and Cheryl Koncewicz, Borough residents, attended the meeting without comment. Nick Vercilla, New Castle News, and Kyle Grisby, attended without comment.

Jason Eichler of Wampum Borough asked Council if they could help slow down the speeders on Clyde Street Ext and enforce the stop sign at the end of Pope Drive. Mayor Crawford will speak with the officers.

Ben Bush, V.P. of Public Affairs, Allegheny Conference on Community Development, attended the meeting to be present for the dedication of the Stonecrest roadway. He also mentioned that he is aware that the borough is working on a data center ordinance and he offered his help.

Lawrence Maiello, attorney for Stonecrest Developers, attended the meeting to answer any questions regarding the Stonecrest road and storm water acceptance ordinance.

Solicitor Report: Absent

Mayor Report: None

Committee Reports

Ordinance:

A revised draft of the Data Center ordinance was distributed to Council for review. **D. Badger motioned for approval to meet with Solicitor Long to review the ordinance again, if necessary, after Dave's review of North Beaver and Mahoning Township's ordinances, J. Gubish seconded.** ROLL CALL: KINGMAN, GUBISH, YOST, BADGER, MCCONNELL, MORRISON and HAIRHOGGER - YES. Motion carried, 7-0.

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A drafted Skill Games ordinance was shared with Council. D. Badger asked that Council be prepared to discuss it at the May meeting.

Personnel:

M. Kingman motioned to approve a 10-hour, 4-day work week for public works between May 4th and October 2nd, 2026, P. McConnell seconded. Motion carried, 7-0. Public works will be advised that on the week of food distribution, they will work the 10 hour days on Tuesday through Friday. A schedule will be given to the department.

Council agreed to send Travis Blake to Moore's Academy in New Wilmington for his CDL B training on a standard transmission truck.

Building:

Three quotes to cover the roof with metal were reviewed by Council. Honey Creek, \$32,500.00; Shell Roofing, \$28,181.29; and Hostetler Circle E Construction, \$15,750.00. **J. Gubish motioned to hire Hostetler Circle E Construction, D. Badger seconded.** ROLL CALL: GUBISH, YOST, BADGER, MCCONNELL, MORRISON, HAIRHOGGER and KINGMAN - YES. Motion carried, 7-0. A light gray or neutral color metal will be used.

S. Badger motioned to purchase a replacement swinging door for the building entrance not to exceed \$500.00, P. Morrison seconded. ROLL CALL: YOST, BADGER, MCCONNELL, MORRISON, HAIRHOGGER, KINGMAN and GUBISH - YES. Motion carried, 7-0.

Solicitor Long called in via telephone at 7:38 p.m.

Pres. Hairhoger shared information from Armstrong and OWL regarding systems that would help during meetings when a Council member or the Solicitor is not able to attend in person.

D. Badger motioned to table discussions until the next meeting, R. Yost seconded. Motion carried, 7-0.

J. Gubish motioned for LaserTek Solutions to service the Canon copier for approximately \$260.00, P. Morrison seconded. ROLL CALL: BADGER, MCCONNELL, MORRISON, HAIRHOGGER, KINGMAN, GUBISH and YOST - YES. Motion carried, 7-0.

Solicitor Report: Solicitor Long will speak about the Stonecrest ordinance under new business.

Road:

Pres. Hairhoger stated that several verbal quotes to fix the John Deere 6300 tractor were received as follows: Daryl Jolly, \$10,000.00; Pat Douglas, \$7,800.00 (they will pick up and return tractor to us); and Slimak, \$7,500.00 (we deliver and pick up tractor from them). **P. Morrison motioned to have Pat Douglas pick up, repair and return the John Deere 6300, M. Kingman seconded.** ROLL CALL: MCCONNELL, MORRISON, HAIRHOGGER, KINGMAN, GUBISH, YOST and BADGER - YES. Motion carried, 7-0.

Pres. Hairhoger said he will ask public works to take the 1984 International to Tom Busser in Enon Valley for a repair quote.

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P. Morrison motioned to authorize Pres. T. Hairhoger and Secretary D. Crawford to sign the necessary paperwork to apply for the 2026 County Liquid Fuels grant for Britton School Road Ext., R. Yost seconded. Motion carried, 7-0.

Pres. Hairhoger spoke with Larry Youngblood and the Patterson Road culvert project would be scheduled soon. The borough has the pipe and stone ready. The road plate should be brought back to the garage after the work is completed.

Council was given a copy of the advertisement and bid proposal form to be used for the 2026 DGLVR project on Britton School Road Ext. Bids to be opened at the May 11, 2026 Council meeting.

D. Badger motioned to purchase 6-8 tons of base cold patch at \$127.00 per ton to repair edges on Wampum New Galilee Road, from Edwards Road to the Beaver County line, and to rent the crack sealing machine for 3 days at \$2,600.00 to fix Wampum Mt Air Road and any other roads in the borough while they have the machine, total cost for both \$3,600, J. Gubish seconded. ROLL CALL: MORRISON, HAIRHOGGER, KINGMAN, GUBISH, YOST, BADGER and MCCONNELL - YES. Motion carried, 7-0.

Police/Fire

The fire hall is having their grand re-opening celebration Tuesday, April 14, 2026 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

D. Badger motioned to approve the grand re-opening celebration event for workers' compensation purposes, P. Morrison seconded. Motion carried, 7-0.

Old Business: None

New Business:

A public hearing was held earlier this evening at 6:30 p.m. regarding the Reed conditional use application requesting approval to allow for animals in a residential district.

D. Badger motioned to accept Daniel and Elizabeth Reed's conditional use application for animals in a residential district, M. Kingman seconded. Motion carried, 7-0.

J. Gubish motioned to enact Ordinance 1-2026, accepting the Stonecrest roadway and storm water facilities, after noting in the ordinance that the right of way is 60 feet, R. Yost seconded. Motion carried, 7-0.

D. Badger motioned to have Richardson Inspection Services send a certified letter to William Murton's address on State Route 168 giving them 60 days to respond with a plan of action for the home burned in a fire, M. Kingman seconded. ROLL CALL: HAIRHOGGER, KINGMAN, GUBISH, YOST, BADGER, MCCONNELL and MORRISON - YES. Motion carried, 7-0.

P. McConnell motioned to contact the owner of the broken utility pole near 830 State Route 168 and ask them to remove it, D. Badger seconded. Motion carried, 7-0.

Correspondence: None

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County Commissioners' Resolutions: None

Meetings/Conferences: Council was advised that the Lawrence County Boroughs Association meeting will now be held on Wednesday, April 29, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. at the borough building.

Miscellaneous: P. McConnell stated that PSAB is looking for pictures to post on a big screen at the upcoming conference and that he will ask public works to clean up around the flag pole and the borough sign so he can submit a picture. He will also use the picture to update the website.

Permits: Four building permits were issued since last meeting.

M. Kingman motioned to go into executive session at 8:15 p.m. to discuss personnel matters, P. Morrison seconded. Motion carried, 7-0.

D. Badger motioned to exit executive session at 8:40 p.m., P. Morrison seconded. Motion carried, 7-0.

D. Badger motioned to purchase the WorkEasy Fingerprint Time Clock System for use by the public works department, J. Gubish seconded. ROLL CALL: KINGMAN, GUBISH, YOST, BADGER, MCCONNELL, MORRISON and HAIRHOGGER - YES. Motion carried, 7-0.

P. Morrison motioned to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:44 p.m., J. Gubish seconded. Motion carried, 7-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

Drita L. Crawford
Secretary/Treasurer