

Borough of Alburtis
Meeting Minutes
August 12th, 2026

The August 12th, 2026, meeting of Borough Council was called to order by Council President Ron DeIaco at 7:00 p.m. in the Borough Hall, 260 Franklin Street, Alburtis, PA. The meeting was also streamed on Zoom.

Attendance:

Council: Ron DeIaco, John Aleszczyk, Chad Atkins, Mehmet Birtek, Michael Gerhart, Ashlynn Rivera

Associates: Hector Moss- Mayor (zoom), Stephen Nemeth- Borough Manager, Dave Knerr-Solicitor, Tony Alsleben- Police Chief (zoom)

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No Public Comment.

MEETING MINUTES of July 29th, 2026:

John Aleszczyk made a motion to approve the minutes of July 29th, 2026. Ashlynn Rivera seconded the motion, and it passed, 6-0.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT:

Chad Atkins made a motion to pay the bills, and Ashlynn Rivera seconded the motion, and approved unanimously, 6-0.

Reports:

Mayor's REPORT:

No Report

POLICE REPORT:

Ashlynn Rivera made a motion to accept the July Police Report. Chad Atkins seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously, 6-0.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

John Aleszczyk made a motion to accept the July Manager's Report, and Chad Atkins seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0.

TREASURER REPORT:

John Aleszczyk asked if we could look into the water fund and claimed that it has decreased since the previous year. Ashlynn Rivera made a motion to accept the July Treasurer's Report, and Chad Atkins seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0.

ENGINEERS REPORT:

John Aleszczyk asked when some of the items will come off of the report. Steve Nemeth mentioned that during the engineering meeting we mentioned we could remove some of them since they are completely closed out. They will be removed by the next meeting. John also asked why we were looking at stormwater concerns on School Street, when it floods more on his street on South Oak. Steve Nemeth mentioned that we are looking at most of the flooding areas, especially in the older parts of town, where the infrastructure was geared towards gravity, instead of physically installing inlets. Newer developments now are developed with inlets and stormwater infrastructure, whereas in the past that was not the case. Chad Atkins made a motion to accept the July Engineer's report; Ashlynn Rivera 2nd, and a unanimous vote followed. The motion passed 6-0.

MACUNGIE AMBULANCE CORPS

No Report Submitted.

New Business:

Ordinance No. 607: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 17 OF THE ALBURTIS CODIFIED ORDINANCES (RELATING TO POLICE PENSION PLAN) TO PROVIDE THE 2026 SPECIAL AD HOC MUNICIPAL POLICE AND FIREFIGHTER POST-RETIREMENT ADJUSTMENT MANDATED BY ACT 21 OF 2026.

Dave Knerr gave a summary of the ordinance. Ashlynn Rivera made a motion to approve Ordinance 607. Mehmet Birtek seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously, 6-0.

Request to apply for a local share account grant for a new backhoe

Steve Nemeth mentioned that he would like to apply for this grant again, like last year. We attempted but were not selected.

Ashlynn Rivera made a motion to approve applying for the local share account grant. Michael Gerhart seconded the motion, and it passed, 6-0.

Resolution No. 2026-17: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH MANAGER TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS AND AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF ALBURTIS AND THE PENNSYLVANIA COMMONWEALTH FINANCING AUTHORITY TO FACILITATE AND ASSIST IN OBTAINING THE REQUESTED NORTHAMPTON/ LEHIGH COUNTY LOCAL SHARE ASSESSMENT GRANT.

Mehmet Birtek made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2026-17. Ashlynn Rivera seconded the motion, and it passed, 6-0.

Public Comment:

Ron Delaco asked if anybody else had anything for the group. Dave Knerr mentioned how we had a successful day in the matter of 108 S Main Street. The clerk's office will send out the judge's order as to when they must be out by, or the sheriff's will remove them.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. was made by Ashlynn Rivera, 2nd by Chad Atkins, and a unanimous vote followed.

Meeting minutes were taken and submitted by:



Stephen Nemeth, Borough Manager.