

HANOVER TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

May 6, 2026
7:00 P.M.

Present: Councilmen Heimbecker Lawlor, Rossi, Woolley, Paulus; Kevin Chimic, P.E.; Jason Ulrich, Esquire; Melissa A. Wehr; Audrey Anderson

Absent: 0

Attendance: 3

Courtesy of the Floor:

The Township Auditor, Paul Mack with Rappold Campbell & Yurasits, addressed the Board and gave them a summary of the Township's 2025 Audit results. The financial statements presented fairly in all respects and the Township had a clean unmodified opinion on the financial statements, which is the best opinion someone can receive.

Approval of Minutes: April 15, 2026 Regular Council Meeting

Motion: I move we waive the reading of the Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated April 15, 2026, and accept same as presented.

Paulus, Lawlor: Moved and Seconded

Heimbecker, Lawlor, Rossi, Paulus:

Aye

Woolley:

Abstained

Reports:

1. Melissa A. Wehr
Township Manager

1. It is National Military Appreciation Month and I'd like to thank all the military personnel in attendance this evening for their service.
2. The 10th through the 15th is National Police Week. We are fortunate that we have a good working relationship with the police and are in close proximity to the Pennsylvania State Police. They do an awesome job for Hanover Township.
3. On the 17th through the 23rd it is National Public Works Week as well as EMS Week. We have the best public works in the Valley and our EMS team which is Northampton Regional Emergency Medical Services does a great job for the Township.
4. I spoke to the Airport regarding the complaints from the gentleman from Catasauqua. The Airport is of the opinion that his complaint regarding the noise is not from the construction of the work happening on the runway. He believes it comes

from the two planes that come in the middle of the night at different times for FedEx that unload and reload. The Catasauqua resident's other concern was regarding the dust bowl. The Airport assured me that they are street sweeping. I can attest to that. They are discussing putting more stone down and that should alleviate his concerns.

5. The Chairman and I attended the State Police Appreciation ceremony.
6. The Vice Chairman and I attended the G402 Incident Command System Overview for Executives and Senior Officials and received training.
7. I attended the PennBOC training for Code Official updates.
8. I attended the Council of Government meetings this week.
9. There a couple of thank you letters in Council packets thanking the Township for their donation to their organizations.
10. The 7th fan quail unit stopped working and is getting replaced. If Council will recall, it was mentioned that they would be replaced as they came up. We were asked again if we would want to replace all of them. We decided to replace them as they need to be replaced. We are on 7 out of 17.
11. There is no Planning Commission or Zoning Hearing Board meetings this month.
12. I gave Council a copy of a flyer regarding Kline's Island. They are doing a public officials tour on June 11 at 6:00 p.m. I also sent it to your emails. If anyone would like to attend, please reach out to them.

Regarding the FEMA training that the Manager and Vice Chairman attended, the Vice Chairman requested a meeting with FEMA and the Township's Emergency Management Coordinator for more information.

2. Kevin Chemic, P.E.
Township Engineer

1. The Engineer gave updates on the Sherwood Park project.

3. Jason Urich, Esquire
Township Attorney

1. No report. Items are on the Agenda.

The Chairman asked the Attorney to go over the advertising for the sale of the Township car. The Attorney said anything over a set number must be either advertised or placed out to public bidding. The Manager suggested coming up with a policy and perhaps going back to Municibid. This way it would go out to everyone and everyone has the opportunity to bid on it. This would make it uniform across the board. A discussion ensued.

Unfinished Business:

1. Michael Baker International Amendment #2 for the Design of the D & L Trail Hanover Section (Discussion & Vote)

Motion: I move that we accept the Michael Baker International Amendment #2 for the Design of the D & L Trail Hanover Section subject to public official representatives at the next Council meeting.

Paulus, Woolley: Moved and Seconded

Heimbecker, Lawlor, Rossi, Woolley:

Nay

Paulus:

Aye

Motion failed.

2. An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 15, Part 6, Section 602, 604, 605 and 609 of the Hanover Township Ordinances Addressing Snow Emergency Declarations and Prohibition of Parking in Tow Away Zones and Associated Penalties (Discussion & Vote)

Motion: I move for the recommendation to adopt An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 15, Part 6, Section 602, 604, 605 and 609 of the Hanover Township Ordinances Addressing Snow Emergency Declarations and Prohibition of Parking in Tow Away Zones and Associated Penalties.

Heimbecker, Lawlor: Moved and Seconded

Heimbecker, Lawlor, Rossi, Woolley, Paulus:

Aye

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New Business:

1. Resignation letter from Councilman Lawlor (Vote)

Motion: I move we accept the Resignation letter from Councilman Lawlor.

Paulus, Heimbecker: Moved and Seconded

Heimbecker, Lawlor, Rossi, Woolley, Paulus:

Aye

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Payment of Bills:

Motion: I move Council authorize payment of Payroll (04/24/26); Voucher Nos. 29307-29308 (Prepays); Voucher Nos. 29309-29341 from the General Fund Account in the amount of \$527,372.66; Voucher Nos. 4801-4804 from the Capital Reserve Account in the amount of \$323,998.84; Voucher Nos. 4874-4881 from the Water Account in the amount of \$55,176.71; Voucher Nos. 6736-6741 from the Sewer Account in the amount of \$255,883.30; Voucher Nos. 5663-5667 from the Escrow Account in the amount of \$8,987.00 for a Grand Total Expenditure of \$1,171,418.51.

Paulus, Woolley: Moved and Seconded
Heimbecker, Lawlor, Rossi, Woolley, Paulus:

Aye

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Courtesy of the Floor: None.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:09 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa A. Wehr
Township Manager