

HANOVER TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

August 19, 2026
7:00 P.M.

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

Absent: 0

Attendance: 2

Courtesy of the Floor: None.

Approval of Minutes: August 5, 2026 Regular Council Meeting.

Motion: I move we waive the reading of the Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated August 5, 2026, and accept same as presented.

Paulus, Woolley: Moved and Seconded
Heimbecker, Cruz, Rossi, Woolley, Paulus: Aye Unan.

Reports:

1. Melissa A. Wehr
Township Manager

1. The Manager addressed questions from the last meeting from the Vice Chairman. Jeanne McNeill's office said they are no longer doing the tire recycling. They did do the electronic recycling but it became too expensive to continue. The Manager put together a flyer which will be posted on the Township's website informing everyone that Staples, Best Buy and Goodwill takes all electronic recycling. According to several different sources, lawn tractor tires are not recyclable and should be put in the regular garbage. Regarding the grass clippings and tree shrub trimmings, disposal instructions are on the Township calendar on the bottom of Page 15. They should be three feet in length and bundled and tied. If a residential garbage/recycling pickup is missed, J.P. Mascaro would like to hear from the resident and they will come back for pickup. Their phone number is also on the Township calendar.

2. The Township received notification that we did receive the 2024 Recycling Grant in the amount of \$25,637.03. We should be receiving that from the County within the next four to six weeks.

3. PennDOT was contracted with LVPC for traffic counts on the 13th and 14th on Schoenersville Rd. between Airport Road and Old Airport Road.

4. Our last Movies in the Park night is this evening over at Chestnut Grove Park. We will be airing Spongebob. It was received well from the neighborhood children.
5. The Manager requested an Executive Session regarding personnel matters after this evening's Regular Council Meeting.
6. The Manager asked to get photographs of Council, the Solicitor and Engineer at the next Council Meeting for the Township's calendar.

A Councilmember mentioned that as he was taking his usual walk around the Sherwood Park area, the street signs and poles look like they need some maintenance. The Manager noted that the Public Works Supervisor advised her of same and it will be taken care of within the next couple of weeks.

The Vice Chairman thanked the Manager for putting together the FLOCK presentation as requested. There has been a lot of chatter on the internet and FOX news regarding deflocking as a prank set to take place this Halloween. He would like for the Township to post something well before Halloween that there will be a penalty for any damage done to equipment belonging to the Township. The Attorney stated that the FLOCK owns the cameras and the Township owns the data. It would be vandalism of someone else's property and a typical Title 18 Vandalism or Criminal Mischief charge. The charge would likely be a disorderly conduct charge. The Attorney stated he will check what that charge would be and the Township could post it as preventative maintenance.

The Vice Chairman is concerned that the incident to a resident's property and fence at Ulster and Pennsylvania Avenue could be intentional. The incident happened twice. The Attorney stated that since it is private property, the Township is limited to what they can do other than road restrictions. A discussion ensued.

2. Kevin Chimic, P.E.
Township Engineer

1. The Engineer gave an update on the Sherwood Park/Pickleball Court Project.

3. Jason Ulrich, Esquire
Township Attorney

1. The Attorney reminded the Board that they have a Ballot questionnaire on the upcoming November Election regarding attendance by phone or electronically. Make the constituents aware that they should vote for it.

4. Maintenance (Written)

1. There is one item on the Agenda that will be addressed.

5. Storm Water Issues

6. Fire Company (Written)

7. Code Enforcement (Written)
8. Treasurer's Report (Vote)

Motion: I move we accept the computer printouts for the General Fund Account, Capital Reserve Account, Escrow Account, Liquid Fuels Account, Sewer Account and Water Account subject to audit.

Paulus, Woolley: Moved and Seconded
Heimbecker, Cruz, Rossi, Woolley, Paulus: Aye Unan.

9. Building Inspector (Written)

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

1. Authorization for Township Manager to purchase and pay for Canal Park Split Rail Fence. The price to furnish and install 721 lineal feet of 2-hole split rail and 327 lineal feet of 3-hole split rail fence is \$20,725.00. This price includes removing and hauling away the old fence. (Vote)

Motion: I move for the Authorization for Township Manager to purchase and pay for Canal Park Split Rail Fence. The price to furnish and install 721 lineal feet of 2-hole split rail and 327 lineal feet of 3-hole split rail fence is \$20,725.00. This price includes removing and hauling away the old fence.

Heimbecker, Rossi: Moved and Seconded
Heimbecker, Cruz, Rossi, Woolley, Paulus: Aye Unan.

2. Authorization for Township Manager to release payment for Michael Baker International (D&L Trail Project) invoice in the amount of \$9,277.83. (Vote)

Motion: I move for the Authorization for Township Manager to release payment for Michael Baker International (D&L Trail Project) invoice in the amount of \$9,277.83..

Cruz, Woolley: Moved and Seconded
Heimbecker: Nay
Cruz, Rossi, Woolley, Paulus: Aye

3. Authorization for Township Manager to Sign Addendum for the Extension of Garbage Contract for JP Mascaro from April 1, 2027 through March 31, 2028. (Vote)

Motion: I move for the Authorization for Township Manager to Sign Addendum for the Extension of Garbage Contract for JP Mascaro from April 1, 2027 through March 31, 2028.

Heimbecker, Woolley: Moved and Seconded

Heimbecker, Cruz, Rossi, Woolley, Paulus: Aye Unan.

4. Authorization for “Set the Pace” Heart Warriors (Annette Pompa) to Run a 5K Charity Event on Hanover Township’s Section of the D&L Trail. (Vote)

Motion: I move for the Authorization for “Set the Pace” Heart Warriors (Annette Pompa) to Run a 5K Charity Event on Hanover Township’s Section of the D&L Trail.

Heimbecker, Rossi: Moved and Seconded

Heimbecker, Cruz, Rossi, Woolley, Paulus: Aye Unan.

Payment of Bills:

Approval of the Bills for August 19, 2026:

Motion: I move Council authorize payment of Payroll (08/14/2026); PNC ACH; Voucher Nos. 29505-29538 from the General Fund Account in the amount of \$83,714.61; Voucher Nos. 4813-4814 from the Capital Reserve Account in the amount of \$19,677.72; Voucher Nos. 254 from the Liquid Fuels Account in the amount of \$6,628.92; Voucher Nos. 4900-4904; PNC ACH from the Water Account in the amount of \$104,754.91; Voucher Nos. 6769-6776; PNC ACH from the Sewer Account in the amount of \$81,312.19; Voucher Nos. 5718-5726 from the Escrow Account in the amount of \$13,687.90 for a Grand Total Expenditure of \$309,776.25 as presented.

Paulus, Woolley: Moved and Seconded

Heimbecker, Cruz, Rossi, Woolley, Paulus: Aye Unan.

Courtesy of the Floor:

The Chairman announced that the Township’s Community Days is this Saturday 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at our Canal Park with a raindate on August 29.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa A. Wehr
Township Manager