

Borough of Thompsontown
Council Meeting
March 16, 2026
7 PM

A regular meeting of the Borough of Thompsontown Council was held in the Thompsontown Borough Office at 121 N. Mill St., Thompsontown, PA on February 16, 2026. The following were in attendance Mayor Kenneth Hart, President Roger Stutts, Vice- President Andy Lenig, Secretary-Treasurer Sue Pontius, Councilmen/ Councilwoman: Williard Roush, Martin Wilson, Robert Speece, Nathan Claybaugh, Connie Eaton, Solicitor Seth Mosebey, Engineer Brian Book. Fire Department minutes their meeting is later this week. Municipal Authority meeting notes were not available. Motion to approve the Financial Report was made by Robert Speece and seconded by Connie Eaton. A motion to approve the minutes with one correction on the number of years a car was parked on the sidewalk to from two years to one year. A motion was made by Connie Eaton to approve the minutes with one correction and seconded by Nathan Claybaugh.

Engineer Book informed Council he discussed grant options with Secretary Pontius earlier today. Mr. Book reviewed with Council about the possibility of looking into a grant by the Governor's Office called the Governor's Action Team. The team comes out and reviews options for a master plan to establish a first and second priority plans. After this they find grants to match. A motion was made by Nathan Claybaugh and seconded by Andy Lenig to connect with the action team. All of Council approved.

President Stutts informed Council the heating bills vs rent funds are not matching up. He also informed Council Fulkroad's have not paid for December, January, or February rent. Our solicitor Mosebey reviewed the contract we have with Fulkroad's the heating was not in this contract since Fulkroad's were to be out by November. The contract will need to be renewed with them since they are still renting. President Stutts is going to talk to Fulkroad's about the rent and a new contract.

President Stutts asked Council to vote on the renewal of Gary Benner to begin January 1, 2026. His renewal will be thru December 31, 2030. A motion was made by Robert Speece and seconded by Willard Roush. All of Council approved.

Secretary Pontius reminded Council to complete and turn in their Ethics Report.

Secretary Pontius informed Council that in the pass the question came up about when the Budget Report needs to be advertised. Secretary Pontius informed Council she called about this and she was told the budget only needs advertised if there is a correction to the report after approval or the number of mills is increased.

Planning committee report gave their approval of an addition to the entryway on President Stutts personal property. Motion to approve by Connie Eaton, seconded by Nathan Claybaugh.

President Stutts informed Council the Borough wants to send in an application to apply for a \$25,000 Marcellus Shale Legacy Fund Grant. The grant will give out two \$25,000 within the county. President Stutts asked if anyone has anything worth \$25,000 they would like to see the borough apply for? President Stutts discussed with Council, two suggestions Secretary Pontius gave as suggestions. 1. Was how much does a new furnace cost? 2. Our entry into the office needs a new door and railing and steps to drain off water and snow.

Council discussed the possibility of doing something for ADA, but the cost would be more than the \$25,000. After several options were discussed the Council decided to go with the entry to the office. Secretary Pontius will work with Engineer Book to get the application in before the March 31, 2026 deadline. A motion by Connie Eaton to apply for the entryway and seconded by Nathan Claybaugh.

Councilwoman Connie Eaton informed Council, retired weatherman Chuck Rhodes will be featured at the Walker Grange on April 22 with dinner beginning at 6:30 p.m. Deadline for tickets is April 14th.

Meeting adjourned by Andy Lenig at 8:30 pm.
Notes submitted by: Sue Pontius, Secretary-Treasurer