

# COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

## LYKENS BOROUGH COUNCIL

### MINUTES

Lykens Borough Council held a regularly scheduled monthly meeting Monday, November 17, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers located at 200 Main Street. Kerry H. Teter, President of Council presided over the meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited followed by roll call.

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Gary Sallada	Harold Paul
Delton Kreiser	
Kerry H. Teter	Spencer Yates

#### **ALSO PRESENT:**

Joseph Kerwin, Solicitor  
Nicole Barge, Mayor  
Nathan Pental, Manager Public Works  
Bonnie Krepich, Citizen  
Corporal Ast  
Corporal Keisley  
Jeanette M. Crabb, Secretary

#### **MINUTES:**

Upon a motion by Spencer Yates and seconded by Gary Sallada the minutes from the October 20, 2025 monthly meeting were approved.

**CITIZENS:** Corporal Ast reported he was here tonight to give some stats from October 2024 through October 2025. Corporal Ast advised there was nothing out of the ordinary this year compared to last year.

President of Council, Kerry Teter thanked the Corporals for all they do.

President of Council, Kerry Teter advised parking has been a challenge since people think they can do what they want. Kerry further advised we had a lot of issue this summer with the homeless being in the Borough. Kerry said the community is afraid of the homeless and do not understand that we can not do anything about it. Corporal Ast advised there are not a lot of services up here for the homeless.

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President of Council, Kerry Teter advised the Borough has had a lot of issues with dirt bikes and 4-wheelers as well. Corporal Ast advised troopers conducted home visits to address the dirt bikes and 4-wheelers.

Solicitor Kerwin asked how the staffing was. Corporal Ast advised that staffing is good and three new guys will start in December.

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

The total deposited for the month of October was \$14,403.48.

Upon a motion by Gary Sallada and seconded by Spencer Yates Resolution #04-2025 was adopted setting the 2026 Borough Fee Schedule. The Zoning Hearing fee was increased from \$650.00 per hearing to \$1,000.00 per hearing.

Upon a motion by Vice Chairman Delton Kreiser and seconded by Spencer Yates permission was given to advertise the 2026 monthly council meeting for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. and a Revitalization monthly meeting the Friday before the monthly council meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Upon a motion by Gary Sallada and seconded by Spencer Yates, the Secretary's Report was accepted.

### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

There was nothing to report this month.

### **LYKENS PLANNING COMMISSION**

There was nothing to report.

### **COG REPORT**

Upon a motion by Gary Sallada and seconded by Harold Paul, council agreed to keep the \$1.00 per person based on population in the budget per the request from COG to cover the post EMS study planning work. Lykens share is \$1,873.00 based on a population of 1873.

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Upon a motion by Spencer Yates and seconded by Harold Paul the COG Report was accepted.

### **REVITALIZATION REPORT**

Councilman Harold Paul reported that things are slowly getting caught up and making good progress.

Upon a motion by Gary Sallada and seconded by Vice Chairman Delton Kreiser the Revitalization Report was accepted.

### **LYKENS BOROUGH AUTHORITY REPORT**

All members were given the October 8, 2025 monthly meeting minutes.

### **MAYOR REPORT**

There were three parking warning given at the laundromat on Main Street for being parked in the yellow line.

There was one parking warning issued on North 2<sup>nd</sup> Street for being parked in the yellow line.

One application was received for a handicap parking spot on North 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. The property owner has been painting the curb blue on their own for sometime now so a letter was sent for them to go through the proper procedure to obtain an approved handicap parking spot.

Upon a motion by Vice Chairman Delton Kreiser and seconded by Spencer Yates the Mayor's Report was accepted.

### **FINANCE COMMITTEE AND BUDGET REPORT**

Upon a motion by Spencer Yates and seconded by Gary Sallada the 2026 Borough Budget was adopted. There is no tax rate increase, the tax rate remains at 5.17 mills.

Upon a motion by Gary Sallada and seconded by Spencer Yates Resolution #05-2025 setting the tax rate at 5.17 mills for 2026 was adopted.

Upon a motion by Spencer Yates and seconded by Gary Sallada the Borough's Highway Budget was adopted.

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President of Council asked per our audits if any members had any questions concerning our procedures or any financial concerns. No one had any questions or concerns.

Upon a motion by Vice Chairman Delton Kreiser and seconded by Gary Sallada the Finance Committee and Budget Reports were accepted.

### **PROPERTY AND SUPPLIES REPORT**

Manager of Public Works, Nathan Pental reported he looked at the spot on North 2nd Street that is requesting handicap parking and he felt the spot was good for approval.

Nathan further reported the Lawley Road Project is complete other than the punch list to be taken care of in the spring.

Nathan said he is getting things in order and ready for winter.

Upon a motion by Gary Sallada and seconded by Spencer Yates the Property and Supplies Report was accepted.

### **PARKS AND RECREATION**

There was nothing to report this month.

### **PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS**

There was nothing to report this month.

### **INSURANCE AND PENSION REPORTS**

There was nothing to report this month.

### **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR'S REPORT**

There was nothing to report this month.

### **SALARIES AND BILLS**

Ordinary and necessary expenditures that have been paid for the month of October is included on the Treasurer's report.

Upon a motion by Spencer Yates and seconded by Gary Sallada the Treasurer's Reports were accepted with permission to pay the following bills.

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1. The EADS Group in the amount of \$813.68 for Professional Engineering Services provided for the 2025 Paving Project.
2. The EADS Group in the amount of \$9,869.53 for Professional Engineering Services provided for the Lawley Road Stormwater Improvement Project.

Approval was given to sent for a direct payment to the county from the CDBG funding for the Lawley Road Stormwater Improvement Project in the amount of \$136,636.22 to be paid to Mid-State Paving.

### **SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

Solicitor Kerwin reported he filed for the exemption from taxes for the South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street area and the area on Race Street in the Borough. Solicitor Kerwin said a hearing will be scheduled however we do not need to attend.

Upon a motion by Gary Sallada and seconded by Vice Chairman Delton Kreiser the Solicitor's Report was accepted.

An Executive Session took place from 7:20 p.m. through 7:34 p.m. for legal matters.

Upon a motion by Spencer Yates and seconded by Gary Sallada the direct payment to Mid-State Paving in the amount of \$136,636.22 from the CDBG funding is on hold until we speak with our Engineer Dan Beyer.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned by a motion by Gary Sallada and seconded by Vice Chairman Delton Kreiser at 7:34 p.m.

Jeanette M. Crabb,

Lykens Borough Secretary