The regularly scheduled meeting of the Sykesville Borough Council was called to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance by President Michele Yamrick. In attendance were, Michele Yamrick, President; Council Members: Ron Morris, Michael Sackash, Colton Gearhart, Don Reid, Solicitor Nicholas Gianvito. Absent was Nathan Alvetro, President ProTem, Elaine Fike, Vice President, Mayor Kyle Pisarcik.

Visitors were Dean Smith, Patrick Primm, Sarah Johnson (J&M Accounting), Michelle Moore (J&M Accounting), Sherry Pruzinsky, John Sedor.

VISITORS CONCERNS:

Pastor Dean Smith and Patrick Primm were here from The Lighthouse Church and informed Council that they are ready for the next step in the water hook up. Forman Brian Williams explained the process and what he needs to do for the project. Patrick Primm has given permission to go across his property for the lines. A motion was made by Councilman Don Reid and seconded by Councilman Ron Morris for Forman Brian Williams to get a permit from PennDot to go under the road (322). Motion carried.

Sherry Pruzinsky from SCIA is updati9ng Council with their plans for the Block Party on August 8, 2026. They are asking if South Park can be closed from Main Street to Liberty Street from Noon to Three o'clock, leaving open the intersection for traffic to access Memorial Park Road. The closing of West Liberty from South Park to Dollar General was approved at a previous meeting. A motion was made by Councilman Don Reid and seconded by Councilman Colton Gearhart to close South Park. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Council has received a letter from Sykesville Public Library requesting their allotment of $3,000.00 for 2026. They thanked Council for their past support. A motion was made by Councilman Ron Morris and seconded by Councilman Colton Gearhart to donate $3,000.00 to the Sykesville Public Library for 2026. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Nothing to report.

MAYOR:

Nothing to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Nothing to report.

Crew Forman Report:

Forman Brian Williams informed Council that Winslow Township has been going over on their water usage allotment since December 2025 and not being billed for is. Secretary Monica Walker was not aware there was a limit per month of 450,000 gallons when the readings were given to her. After a brief discussion Council has decided to bill them to total amount of penalties $3,416.94. A motion was made by Councilman Ron Morris and seconded by Councilman Don Reid to send this bill out. Motion carried.

Public Works:

President ProTem Nathan Alvetro still has not heard anything from the insurance company about the 2020 Chevy Dump Truck. He is getting estimates to replace this truck, since it is a total loss. He has gotten a price of $70,000.00 for a cab and chassis with another $60,000.00 for the bed outfit. You can take $7,000.00 from there since we already have a spreader. He is still getting more quotes from different dealers. Can also look at used and new trucks. This will be tabled for further discussion.

A suggestion was made by Councilman Don Reid on behalf of President ProTem Nathan Alvetro, when tar and chipping, don't do the intersection. Just start at Long Ally and go from there. We think that it will get torn up by the trucks. They are having Forman Brian Williams contact Marc from PennDot to change this.

A motion was made by Councilman Don Reid and seconded by Councilman Ron Morris to request a Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant of $494,444.00 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for Tar and Chipping of Borough roads (list of roads located at the Borough Office). Motion carried.

Finance/Personnel:

A motion was made by Councilman Colton Gearhart and seconded by Councilman Mike Sackash to pay J&M Accounting May invoice of $1,323.74. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilman Ron Morris and seconded by Councilman Don Reid to pay JHA Companies for the May Stormwater Project invoice of $13,669.48. Motion carried.

Carlson Technologies Battery Backup quote was discussed and is tabled for a future meeting.

A motion was made by Councilman Colton Gearhart and seconded by Councilman Mike Sackash to approve James Sweka's unpaid vacation time off from June 15, 2026 to June 19, 2026. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilman Don Reid and seconded by Councilman Ron Morris to approve Forman Brian Williams paid time off of 4 hours on May 29, 2026 for personal illness. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilman Ron Morris and seconded by Councilman Don Reid to reimburse Secretary Monica Walker's mileage for May in the amount of $67.43. Motion carried.

Payment #10 came in tonight. However, I (President Michele Yamrick) don't want to add this to the agenda or sign until the work is completed. This is in a holding pattern for now.

A letter was presented to Council from the Sykesville Ag & Youth Fair requesting water and sewage service during their fair which will be held June 15-20, 2026. The letter states that they will purchase the meters to replace the two that were previously damaged. Their staff will install the meters prior to the fair and will remove the meters and winterize them before winter each year. Forman Brian Williams or a Borough staff employee will check and read the meters, and we will be responsible for paying the bills as presented. After a lengthy discussion of the two different meters that were presented, a motion was made by Councilman Ron Morris and seconded by Councilman Colton Gearhart to purchase two meters for the price of $2,122.80 to be paid upfront by Sykesville Ag & Youth Fair before ordering. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilman Ron Morris and seconded by Councilman Don Reid to add to the agenda an estimate from PM Fencing LLC to repair the fence at the water tank.

A motion was made by Councilman Colton Gearhart and seconded by Counciiman Ron Morris to accept the estimate and repair the fence at the water tank for $1,500.00. Motion carried.

Councilman Mike Sackash was asking, If we have to approve the financials every month? It is because the liquid fuel requires it. Council decided to approve April and May's at the next meeting.

Ordinance, Health & Safety

A motion was made by Councilman Colton Gearhart and seconded by Councilman Ron Morris to order two sets of speed bumps for $318.00. Motion carried.

Councilman Mike Sackash informed Council that the smoke detectors mailers were sent out. We are keeping a log in the office for keeping track and numbering them as they come back.

Utilities:

Street lights are still out in town. Have already been reported. Will report again.

Councilman Colton Gearhart is inquiring if we got the flow meter for the hydrant yet? Forman Brian Williams states that we did, but does not think that it is big enough for the flow. Mark from LBWater is looking and will get me a price.

Councilman Colton Gearhart is asking Solicitor Nicholas Gianvito if he has heard anything from Travis Long (JHA) about the agreement with the Water/Sewer Authority and the Borough. Solicitor Nicholas Gianvito replied, he has not gotten anything from Travis yet. Councilman Mike Sackash states that it is on hold until they do the groundwork to present to the Borough.

Parks, Recreation and Planning:

Nothing to report.

Police, Mayor, Fire, Code Enforcement:

Councilman Ron Morris spoke with Reynoldsville's Borough and let them know that we are not interested in splitting a code officer 50/50 as we are 1/3 the population that they are. They are going to go forward with the code officer. They stated that their Solicitor is going to work with our Solicitor to set up an intergovernmental contract possibly billing us if we need to use him. They do not have anything in place yet.

Councilman Ron Morris also informed Council that Reynoldsville is finishing up their application for the regional police force. They are asking if we are still interested in that. He replied that we were. Amy states that the study was not complete yet. We will have to wait util the study is done.

Solicitor Gianvito:

A motion was made by Councilman Ron Morris and seconded by Councilman Don Reid to adopt the new smoke detector ordinance as #0601-2026 signed and dated by Council. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Councilman Colton Gearhart and seconded by Councilman Don Reid to approve the Council minutes of May 18, 2026. Motion carried.

It was brought to Council that new shirts were needed for the Borough guys. Council informed Forman Brian Williams to get quoted for them.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No executive session was needed at this time.

ACTION AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No action taken.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Councilman Colton Gearhart seconded by Councilman Ron Morris to adjourn this Council meeting at 8:23 P.M. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Monica Walker
Borough Secretary/Treasurer