

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; Elaine Fike, Vice President; Nate Alvetro, President ProTem; Council Members: Ron Morris, Michael Sackash; Absent was Council Members: Colton Gearhart, Don Reid, Mayor Kyle Pisarcik, Solicitor Nicholas Gianvito.

Visitors were Don Zimmerman, John Sedor, Harry Neal, Robert Yanek, Mark Gilga, Dylan Carlson.

VISITORS CONCERNS:

Don Zimmerman was here about a letter that was sent to the Town Hall about the snow removal ordinance. He stated that the Borough Council years ago had voted to allow them to put cones up on the west side of the Town Hall at each end of the sidewalk for the winter months. This was for the safety of the residents. There are large icicles that form on the roof from thawing and refreezing, that they do not want falling on anyone that would be walking there. President Michele Yamrick states that they will discuss this matter.

Harry Neal on North Park Street is concerned with the project going on about the water runoff going down through his yard and has gone into this basement. He was told to come and talk to President ProTem Nathan Alvetro. He explained that they have put 4 new catch basins in. One on each corner to alleviate some of the water. They will put a small curb back in place as before to go around his driveway.

Robert Yanek had a water leak at his residence. He is asking Council if there is any forgiveness or discount to help with issue if paid in full. Sewer was adjusted, but there is nothing with the water bill. He also informed Council that the ally on Station Street is sloped and the water is not running where it should. If the guys can come and put shale or stone down. President ProTem Nation Alvetro states that he will take a look at it.

Mark Gilga asked Council if they were paving Washington Street this year. If not, are they going to re curb so that the water is not washing out his yard and ending up in his driveway. Council will take a look at it.

John Sedor informed Council he was asked about a \$15 fee on the Sandy Sewer bills for water usage when they get their water from Sykesville. A copy of the letter was given to him. We are still looking into this.

John Sedor asked Council if Sewer and Water Authority could have a meeting with JHA on April 20, 2026 at 6p.m. in the Borough Office. Council did not see a problem with that.

John Sedor also asked Council to approve a new liaison to be the go between the Sewer/Water Authority.

Councilman Mike Sackash commended President ProTem Nathan Alvetro for the good job with Harry Neal in explaining things to him as to the corrections that they are doing with the Stormwater project by his house to fix the water issues in his area.

#### CORRESPONDENCE:

President Michele Yamrick read an invitation from Clarion, Forest & Jefferson Counties Boroughs Association Meeting. Wednesday, April 15, 2026 at 5:30 P.M. Red River Roadhouse 22631 PA-68, Clarion, PA 16214. The cost is \$30 per person.

President Michele Yamrick read a list of courses in April from Pa Rural Water Association. These are Water & Sewer classes for employees to earn hours that are needed to keep their licenses renewed every three years.

President Michele Yamrick read an Apprenticeship Program through PA Rural Water. Pursue an Apprenticeship; Receive practical training, earn a competitive wage, and progress toward professional licensure or certification as an operator. Employ an Apprentice; Public and private drinking water and wastewater systems in Pennsylvania can address workforce challenges by hiring qualified apprentices.

President Michele Yamrick read an invite from PennDot District 10 for their 2026 Municipal Outreach Session. Wednesday, April 29, 2026 from 1-3 p.m.

#### Old BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Councilman Ron Morris and seconded by President ProTem Nathan Alvetro to approve the minutes from March 2, 2026 meeting. Motion carried.

President ProTem Nathan Alvetro informed Council the progress with the Stormwater Project update. Finishing up North Park Street and that the Blacktop plants will be opening next week and that we are the first ones on the list for Hawbaker's.

MAYOR:

Nothing to report.

CREW FOREMAN REPORT:

President ProTem Nathan Alvetro informed Council that the guys have been going around and cleaning up yards from winter plowing.

President ProTem Nathan Alvetro informed Council that he has to order the last of the salt to fulfill our contract.

President ProTem Nathan Alvetro informed Council that the office door is broken. The turn key is stripped. Parts are on order.

President ProTem Nathan Alvetro informed Council that he has searching for someone to do street sweeping. After a brief discussion a motion was made by Vice President Elaine Fike and seconded by Councilman Mike Sackash to have DuBois come on Saturday to do the job.

COMITTEE REPORTS:

Public Works:

Nothing to report.

Finance/Personnel:

A motion was made by President ProTem Nathan Alvetro and seconded by Councilman Ron Morris to accept the January-February 2026 Finance Report.

A motion was made by President ProTem Nathan Alvetro and seconded by Councilman Ron Morris to pay February's JHA Stormwater Project invoice \$16,628.54. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Vice President Elaine Fike and seconded by Councilman Ron Morris to pay J&M Accounting February's monthly retainer \$1,348.12. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilman Ron Morris and seconded by President ProTem Nathan Alvetro to sign the 2026 renewal traffic signal maintenance agreement through Kuharchik Construction. Motion carried.

Ordinance, Health & Safety

Councilman Mike Sackash gave an update on the smoke alarm project. The smoke alarm committee has met two times. The current ordinance needs reviewed and updated. Their current plan is to offer one smoke alarm/carbon monoxide detector to each home/resident, which does not include Cascade Village or Empire apartments. We will meet with Keven Yamrick to draft up a letter to the residents. We would like to launch by April or May and installed by Halloween.

Utilities:

Nothing to report.

Parks, Recreation and Planning:

Councilman Mike Sackash informed Council that he received a complaint that the trash is not being pickup within the park. We will have the guys take care of that. He also brought up about moving the trash cans with lids from the pavilion out into the park and replacing new ones under the pavilion in budget allows.

Police, Mayor, Fire, Code Enforcement:

Nothing to report.

Solicitor Gianvito:

Nothing to report.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Secretary Monica Walker informed Council that we are having a problem getting itemized statements from our current credit card. After a brief discussion Secretary Monica Walker will get applications for our meeting in April.

Secretary Monica Walker informed Council that since the new contract started with WM in February she has had to call every week for residents garbage not being picked up. It is the same residents every week. This includes the dumpsters. After a brief discussion we will reach out to our Solicitor Nicholas Gianvito regarding this matter.

William Cyphert reached out to the Borough to see if we would be interested in purchasing his fathers property (Eugene Cyphert 147 South Park Street). After a brief discussion we will reach out to him for more information.

Council is looking to get another Call Out System back in place. We have received a quote from TextMyGov out of Utha with a annual price of \$2,200.00. This would be text only. Dylan Carlson from Carlson Technologies in DuBois will put a quote for us and will present it at our meeting in April.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Council went into an executive session to discuss personnel and legal matters at 8:50 P.M.

#### ACTION AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Council reconvened from executive session at 8:58 P.M.

There will be no motions at this time.

#### ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Ron Morris and seconded by President ProTem Nathan Alvetro. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:02 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:

Monica Walker  
Borough Secretary/Treasurer