

NAZARETH BOROUGH COUNCIL--REGULAR MEETING--FEBRUARY 2, 2026

The regular monthly meeting of the Borough of Nazareth was held on Monday, February 2, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at the Nazareth Regional Ambulance Corps Building. The meeting was called to order by the President, followed by the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Present were President Daniel Chiavaroli, Vice President Carl R. Strye Jr., Mayor Lance E. Colondo, Councilpersons Cindy Corpora, Carl A. Fischl,, Laureen Pellegrino, Michael Kopach, Robert DeNero, Kayla Green and Christopher D. Crook, Solicitor Alfred S. Pierce, Borough Engineer Michael Schallock, Police Chief Randall Pompei and Public Works Superintendent Keith Knecht.

Public Works: Christopher D. Crook moved and Kayla Green seconded a motion to approve Resolution No. 2 - 26 which honors the Nazareth Blue Eagle Marching Band following another championship Fall 2025 Competition Season, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Council of the Borough of Nazareth wishes to honor young student musicians and band front performers who have shown their talents at the highest level in local and regional competitions and have been victorious at those events while similarly providing our community with great music at parades, school concerts and athletic events,

WHEREAS, the Nazareth Blue Eagle Marching Band annually competes in local, state and regional competitions which culminate with the naming of champions and the presentation of awards at the conclusion of musical and precision marching performances,

WHEREAS, the Nazareth Blue Eagle Marching Band has once again, during the Fall season, brought considerable pride to our school district and to our Borough with another victorious and championship campaign of band competitions,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, and it is hereby resolved by the Borough of Nazareth, in Borough Council assembled, that Band Director Matt Tanzos and his band officers, musicians, color guards, drum major, student conductor, the band front and the support staff be congratulated and honored for all of their recent championships and their record setting accomplishments at the local, state and regional level. Even more impressive is their incomparable record in all of the band competitions which they enter. Current band members have once again won championships in each of their years. During the recent season they have reached new heights of success at the region's most prestigious competitions. Nazareth Borough Council commends Matt Tanzos for his Band's tremendous achievements and similarly commends the student musicians, color guards and staff while wishing them even more success. The Nazareth Blue Eagle Marching Band is renowned across our state, the Middle Atlantic Region and even nationally and it has brought our parade attendees, parents and residents enjoyment and pride for decades with a tradition of musical excellence and marching precision. Nazareth Borough Council thanks Band Director Matt Tanzos, band boosters and the parents of band members who have supported this group of talented musicians and who have helped to make all of these successes a reality. Each year, Nazareth Borough Council proudly invites the Nazareth Blue Eagle Marching Band to headline our Memorial Day and Halloween Parades and they are unquestionably, the musical highlight at those events. Council directs the Secretary to issue a citation memorializing this Resolution for presentation to Director Matt Tanzos and his talented and dedicated band officers and members as recognition for their recent championships, their musical prowess and their incredible careers

entertaining all of us here in our Borough. We are once again, honored by their presence here this evening.

The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Colondo called Band Director Matt Tanzos to the front of the meeting room along with Band Officers and seniors and read the Resolution aloud. Mayor Colondo saluted the Band and Director Tanzos for another undefeated season and asked members present if any of them had not won championships in their four year band careers. All attested to four years of undefeated seasons and four local and regional championships. Five of the members each presented their experiences and told Council and the attendees of their pride in being part of all of the championships and undefeated seasons. They were applauded before Director Tanzos thanked Council for the recognition and said that he remembered similar honors many years ago when he was a Nazareth Band member.

Recognition of Citizens From the Floor: William Buskirk of 522 Belvidere Street commended and thanked Council's efforts to correct problems with the School Zone parking situation. Buskirk singled out Chief Pompei's "hands on" efforts to observe and then correct problems as he saw them and said his (Pompei's) presence at drop off and pickup times was vital to solving some of the existing issues. Buskirk concluded by saying that although things are not perfect, they are certainly on the right track and again thanked Chief Pompei for his ability to correct many of the problems

Communications: None.

The Secretary's Meeting Minutes from the business meeting of January 5, 2026 were approved as presented.

On a motion by Michael Kopach seconded by Christopher D. Crook, the Treasurer's Report for the month of January 2026 was approved as follows:

General Fund--Cash on Hand December 31, 2025	\$	79,867.00
Waste & Recycling Fund--Cash on Hand December 31, 2025	\$	137,386.38
General Fund--Total Receipts	\$	295,648.28
Waste & Recycling Fund--Total Receipts	\$	141,883.99
General Fund--Total Receipts & Cash	\$	375,515.28
Waste & Recycling Fund--Total Receipts & Cash	\$	279,270.37
General Fund--Total Disbursements	\$	330,050.30
Waste & Recycling Fund--Total Disbursements	\$	80,526.33
General Fund--Cash on Hand January 31, 2026	\$	45,464.98
Waste & Recycling Fund--Cash on Hand January 31, 2026	\$	198,744.04
ESSA Payroll Account	\$	4,601.27

Embassy Bank State Fund Checking Account	\$	3,133.23
Embassy Bank Park Account	\$	3,948.70
Embassy Bank American Rescue Plan	\$	8,532.34
Embassy Bank Reserve Account	\$	2,811.25
Pennsylvania Investment Trust Fund (Amer Rescue Plan)	\$	2,096.18
Pennsylvania Investment Trust Fund (New Reserve Acct)	\$	11,940.91
Pennsylvania Investment Trust Fund (New Sanitation Acct)	\$	741,174.00
Pennsylvania Investment Trust Fund (New Sanitation ESSA Acct)	\$	204,889.62
Pennsylvania Investment Trust Fund (Reg & Term Park Acct.Invstmt)	\$	42,464.35
Pennsylvania Investment Trust Fund (Reg + Term Investment)	\$	28,737.94
Pennsylvania Investment Trust Fund (Reg + Term Liquid Fuels)	\$	323,956.20
Total of All Borough Funds.....	\$	1,623,684.90

Michael Kopach moved and Carl R. Strye Jr. seconded a motion to approve the payment of bills totaling \$410,576.63. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Property: Carl R. Strye Jr. moved and Carl A. Fischl seconded a motion to approve the request of Nazareth Junior Blue Eagles Softball for use of the softball field in the Park from the second week of March 2026 through the second week of November 2026.

The motion passed unanimously.

Carl R. Strye Jr. moved and Christopher D. Crook seconded a motion to approve the request of Kevin Pulli of Nazareth Middle School Baseball for use of the baseball field in the Park from March 1, 2026 through the end of the month of May 2026.

The motion passed unanimously.

Carl R. Strye Jr. moved and Michael Kopach seconded a motion to grant permission for Holy Family School to place two signs in two locations within the Circle for a period from February 20, 2026 to March 23, 2026 for their Tricky Tray event.

The motion passed unanimously.

Carl R. Strye Jr. moved and Michael Kopach seconded a motion to officially open the Nazareth Borough Pool on Saturday, May 23, 20256 and remain open May 24th and May 25th, 2026 for the Memorial Day weekend. The Pool will re- open the following weekend and then open daily from 12 noon till 7:00 pm when school officially ends...pending the announcement of that date by the Nazareth Area School District. The Pool will close for the season after Labor Day, September 6, 2026.

The motion passed unanimously.

Finance: Cindy Corpora moved and Lauren Pellegrino seconded a motion to acknowledge the filing of the following required state reports. ...The 2026 Survey of Financial Condition, the 2026 Tax Information Form, the 2026 Report of Elected and Appointed Borough Officials, the Liquid Fuels MS-95 Annual Report and the 2026 Form AG385 Pension Reporting Form.

The motion passed unanimously.

Cindy Corpora moved and Lauren Pellegrino seconded a motion to approve the 2025 End of the Year NEDC Report.

The motion passed unanimously.

Cindy Corpora moved and Lauren Pellegrino seconded a motion to approve the Borough's annual Kazoo Parade to be staged on July 4, 2026 starting at 10:00 am. This year's Parade route will end at the Whitefield House.

The motion passed unanimously.

Police: Carl A. Fischl moved and Christopher D. Crook seconded a motion to approve a \$5,000 Hiring Bonus for the successful qualified candidate from the ongoing Civil Service Police Hiring Process. Discussion followed. Carl R. Strye Jr. asked if there are conditions associated with the payment of the Bonus. Kayla Green asked how the \$5,000 Bonus compares to what other municipalities are offering? Lauren Pellegrino asked if we should match other municipalities. The President stated that there is a "Motion" on the floor and called for a voice vote.

The motion passed. There was one (1) "No" vote cast by Lauren Pellegrino.

Fire: Lauren Pellegrino moved and Kayla Green seconded a motion to approve the Fire Chiefs Yearly Report for the Year 2025.

The motion passed unanimously.

Lauren Pellegrino moved and Kayla Green seconded a motion to approve the Fire Chiefs Report for December 2025.

The motion passed unanimously.

Lauren Pellegrino moved and Christopher D. Crook seconded a motion to approve the Emergency Management Report for the Year 2025.

The motion passed unanimously.

Lauren Pellegrino moved and Carl A. Fischl seconded a motion to approve the annual Shamrock 5K Walk/Run on March 14, 2026 at 10:00 am.

The motion passed unanimously.

Lauren Pellegrino moved and Kayla Green seconded a motion to approve the Vigilance Hose Easter Egg Hunt on March 28, 2026 in the Park...Rain Date - April 4, 2026

The motion passed unanimously.

Laureen Pellegrino moved and Kayla Green seconded a motion to approve the Fireman's Carnival in the Park June 17 - June 20th, 2026 Use of the large pavilion is included in the request from June 12, 2026 through June 21, 2026.

The motion passed unanimously.

Laureen Pellegrino moved and Kayla Green seconded a motion to approve the Fireman's Money Raffle in the Park - September 12, 2026 from 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm.

The motion passed unanimously.

Laureen Pellegrino moved and Kayla Green seconded a motion to approve the 2026 Halloween Parade - Saturday, October 17, 2026 at 1:00 pm

The motion passed unanimously.

Law: Michael Kopach moved and Carl R. Strye Jr. seconded a motion to approve the changes to the Borough By Laws eliminating the Technology Committee and adding Code Enforcement Committee.

The motion passed. There were two (2) "No" votes cast by Councilpersons Green and Pellegrino.

Michael Kopach moved and Kayla Green seconded a motion to approve Resolution No. 2 - 26 - A which permits members of Council who are absent from a meeting to vote by phone or other electronic means under certain conditions as per the details in the Resolution, as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF
NAZARETH TO PERMIT THE PARTICIPATION AND VOTING
OF COUNCIL MEMBERS IN COUNCIL MEETINGS BY MEANS
OF A TELECOMMUNICATIONS DEVICE

WHEREAS, Title 8 Pa. C.S.A § 1001 (c) of the Pennsylvania Borough Code provides a borough council the discretionary power to permit, under limited circumstances, a council member's participation and voting in a council meeting by telecommunication device;

WHEREAS, Nazareth Borough Council wishes to authorize, under limited circumstances, a council member's participation and voting in a council meeting by telecommunication device;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, and it is hereby resolved by the Borough of Nazareth, in Borough Council assembled, that;

A Nazareth Borough Council member may participate and vote in the Council meeting by telecommunication device, which includes any type of telephone or internet device, under the following conditions:

1. The absence of the Council member is due to one of the following conditions:

- a. Illness or disability of the council member
 - b. Care for the ill or newborn in the council member's immediate family,
 - c. Emergency, and
 - d. Family or business travel;
2. The telecommunications device being used provides, at a minimum, audio communications between locations,
 3. The majority of the members of Borough Council then in office is physically present at the advertised meeting place and at the convening of the meeting, a physical quorum is established (i.e. without the council member(s) participating on a telecommunications device), and
 4. The telecommunications device being used permits all members of council, whether or not physically present, and the public, to be able to hear the comments and votes of all members of council, whether or not physically present, and the public

The motion passed unanimously.

Michael Kopach moved and Carl A. Fischl seconded a motion to advertise an ordinance which would remove job classifications of Police Commissioner and Deputy Chief of Police, positions no longer utilized by our Police Department.

The motion passed unanimously.

Michael Kopach moved and Robert DelNero seconded a motion to advertise for an ordinance which would prohibit residents from leaving obstructions , like sports equipment and specifically basketball hoops, on Borough streets.

The motion passed unanimously.

Code Enforcement: Robert DelNero moved and Michael Kopach seconded a motion to approve the Zoning and Code Enforcement Reports for January 2026.

The motion passed unanimously.

Environmental Steering & Lighting The January 2026 Refuse and Recycling Report was presented and approved as presented.

Carl R. Strye Jr. moved and Carl A. Fischl seconded a motion approve the hiring of Charles A. Donello as the part time Environmental Specialist for the Year 2026 and pay an annual salary of \$6,000.

The motion passed. There were two (2) "No" votes cast by Councilpersons Green and Pellegrino.

Carl R. Strye Jr. moved and Carl A. Fischl seconded a motion to approve payment of January 2026 retroactive back pay for one month in the amount of \$500.00 to Environmental Specialist Charles A. Donello.

The motion passed unanimously.

Public Works: Christopher D. Crook moved and Laureen Pellegrino seconded a motion to approve the Public Works Report for January 2026.

The motion passed unanimously.

Christopher D. Crook commended the Public Works crew for their very thorough cleanup work and their sacrifices, during the recent successive weekend snowstorms.

Mayor: Mayor Colondo presented the Police Report for the month of January 2026. Mayor Colondo proceeded to also compliment the Public Works Department for their cleanup work during the recent two weekend storms. Colondo also reported that only nine (9) cars were towed during the Snow Emergency.

Old Business: Carl A. Fischl stated that in relation to recent discussions on the amount of parking spaces required for occupancy by ordinance, one and a half spaces are required for a one bedroom apartment and two spots are needed and required for a two bedroom apartment. This relates to discussions about the possible apartments being sought by a developer on South Main Street and the needed parking allocations there.

New Business: President Chiavaroli, himself a Viet Nam veteran, noted for the record that today was Viet Nam Recognition Day.

There being no further business, on a motion by Carl A. Fischl. seconded by Michael Kopach, the meeting was adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

Paul A. Kokolus, Secretary

Daniel Chiavaroli, President