

**EXETER BOROUGH
REGULAR MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY December 2, 2025 • Exeter Borough Building 7:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

Vice Chairman Morgan called the meeting to order 7:00 p.m.; Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call was taken. Present: Vice Chairman John Morgan; Chairman Joe Pizano (Zoom); Council Members Lori DeAngelo, Dave Balent, Joseph Esposito, Carmen Marranca. Mayor Denise Adams, Solicitor Ray Hassey, Borough Manager Amy Huntington. Secretary Sharon Sorokin, Streets-Vince Ninassi; Fire-Ralph Dixon, WARP-Chief Turner. Absent: Councilman Richard Murawski.

Motion to Approve the Nov. 11, 2025 Regular Meeting and Nov. 24 Special Meeting Minutes made by Councilman Balent; seconded by Councilman Marranca; motion passed unanimously.

Motion to Approve the Treasurer's Report as read on file by Amy Huntington, made by Councilman Esposito; seconded by Balent; motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence: Amy Huntington reported the following correspondence:

- 11/3 PA Economy League Local Government Innovation Lab announcement.
- 11/19 Luzerne Conservation District Erosion & Sediment Control Plan Review
- 11/7 Luzerne County Historical Society St. Cecilia Facility Renovation Project Sheet
- 11/19 FEMA Bulletin W-25005 re: extension of grace period for National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) premiums.
- 11/19 Luzerne County re: Emergency Operations Plan update request.
- 11/20 RTK Request, CivicIQ Hoboken, NJ seeking public officials list.
- 12/2 PennDOT HOP ClearPath Pilot Program for commercial driveway applications.

Citizens' Input (agenda items only): No input was given.

Refuse & Recycling Report was read by Sharon Sorokin, on file. Deposit total \$2,530. Recycling 32.9 Tons; 397.45T YTD reported.

Report of Committees:

- Police/Wyoming Area Regional Police (WARP): Chief Turner provided report, on file. of 341 calls were Exeter; Shop With A Cop is Sat. 12/6 from 12-2pm;
- Finance & Insurance: No report at this time.
- Fire Department: Councilwoman DeAngelo read the report, on file.
- Streets: No report at this time.
- Parks & Rec: Councilwoman DeAngelo thanked volunteers for a successful 2025 Turkey Trot, and Lions Christmas Tree Lighting.
- WVSA: Vice Chairman Morgan read WVSA report, on file: 26 sanitary sewer lines flushed, camera 2 lines; reported second round of street sweeping took place Mon-Tues-Wed before Thanksgiving, and that WARP will issue warnings to enforce the new Parking Ban Ordinance.
- Zoning: Report read by Councilwoman DeAngelo, on file, total deposit \$25,037.91.
- Hicks Creek: No report at this time.
- Building/Grounds: No report at this time.
- Council of Governments: No report at this time.
- NEPA Land Bank: Councilman Balent reported next meeting will be held in 2026.

- Mayor's Remarks: Wished everyone a very Merry Christmas!
- Solicitor's Report: Re-zoning hearing will be held in January.

New Business:

1. Motion to Approve Agreement to Install Handicapped Parking Sign at 259 Grant Street made by Councilwoman DeAngelo; seconded by Councilman Marranca; motion passed unanimously.
2. Motion to Approve Letter to PA Department of Community and Economic Development to commit \$47,430 towards 2025 LSA-Luzerne County grant request of \$605,880 for Exeter Borough Sanitary and Storm Sewer Separation Project 2026 at Barber and Lincoln Streets made by Councilman Balent; seconded by Councilman Esposito; motion passed unanimously.
3. Motion to Approve Letter to PA Dept. of Community and Economic Development to commit \$381,149 towards 2025 LSA-Statewide grant request of \$1,000,000 for Exeter Borough Susquehanna Avenue-Area Storm & Sanitary Sewer Separation Project North - Phase 2 made by Councilman Balent; seconded by Councilman Marranca; motion passed unanimously.
4. Vice Chairman Morgan tabled the motion to Amend Act 167 Stormwater Management Permit Appendix B until January 2026 for borough engineer input and borough solicitor review.
5. Motion to Approve Borough Solicitor to Advertise Ordinance #1 of 2026, Exeter Borough Tax Levy when prepared, made by Councilman Marranca; seconded by Councilwoman DeAngelo; motion passed unanimously.
6. Solicitor Hassey explained this agenda item should be broken into two separate Ordinances:
(a) Motion to Approve Borough Solicitor to Advertise an Ordinance Amending Garbage Collection Fees; Motion made by Councilman Esposito; seconded by Councilman Balent; motion passed unanimously; and (b) Motion to Approve Borough Solicitor to Advertise an Ordinance Garbage Collection and Mandatory Recycling Enforcement; Motion made by Councilman Esposito; seconded by Councilman Balent; motion passed unanimously.
7. Motion to Approve Pay App #1 to American Asphalt for \$84,591 for Exeter Borough 2024 FY CDBG Pave Project from the General Fund made by Councilman Balent; seconded by Councilman Marranca; motion passed unanimously.
8. Motion to Approve Payment of \$7,470 to Thomas Landscaping Management for emergency repair of Exeter Boro Recycling Center water line made by Councilman Balent; seconded by Councilwoman DeAngelo; motion passed unanimously.
9. Motion to Approve Payment of \$5,350 to Thomas Landscaping Management for blacktop finishing at Exeter Boro Recycling Center for emergency water line repair made by Councilman Balent; seconded by Councilwoman DeAngelo; motion passed unanimously.
10. Motion to Approve Payment of \$3,672.44 to Cargill, Inc. for 40T salt made by Councilman Balent; seconded by Councilwoman DeAngelo; motion passed unanimously.

11. Vice Chairman Morgan tabled the motion to Present the 3rd Reading of the Proposed 2026 Borough Budget to a Special Meeting, date TBA.

Open to Public - No public comment was made.

Adjourn: Councilman Esposito made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Marranca.

Respectfully Submitted by Amy Huntington, Borough Manager, December 12, 2025.