



COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
MONDAY FEBRUARY 2, 2026

Moscow Borough Municipal Building
123 Van Brunt Street
Moscow, PA 18444
570-842-1699

Arthur Pencek - President
Edward Gaughan - Vice President
Joseph Castrogiovanni
Dennis Cawley
Earnest Church
Marc Gaughan
Nichole Musewicz

Mayor Rosemarie Warner

1. CALL TO ORDER: Arthur Pencek – Council President

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Arthur Pencek – Council President

3. ROLL CALL

AP	<u>Borough Council</u> Arthur Pencek
EG	<u>Borough Council</u> Edward Gaughan
JC	<u>Borough Council</u> Joseph Castrogiovanni
DC	<u>Borough Council</u> Dennis Cawley
RW	<u>Mayor</u> Rosemarie Warner

EC	<u>Borough Council</u> Earnest Church
MG	<u>Borough Council</u> Marc Gaughan
NM	<u>Borough Council</u> Nichole Musewicz
LA	<u>Junior Council</u> Luis Arias
AR	<u>Junior Council</u> Alia Rava

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

A. Approval of January 5, 2026 reorganization and monthly council meeting minutes (**copy provided**)

5. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS AND/OR FOLLOW-UP ON PREVIOUS CITIZEN'S REQUESTS

6. MOSCOW VOLUNTEER FIRE AND HOSE COMPANY: Fire Chief Colin Young

A. Moscow Volunteer Fire and Hose Co. Report for month of January 2026

B. As stated in Senate Bill 94 the required annual approval for members of the Moscow Fire and Hose Company who are not directly related to firefighting to participate in the following activities. Maintenance of the company property or vehicles, administrative duties, community events, parades and fundraising events (**copies provided**) (**Action Needed**)

7. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Laurel Lines, Vol 53, Issue 1 – January 2026 , Publication Of The Lackawanna And Wyoming Valley Railway Historical Society, Inc can be downloaded and viewed at <https://lwvrhs.org/monthly-laurel-lines-newsletter/>

8. BUSINESS OFFICE:

- A. Received email confirmation 01/21/26 from Kelsey Dunkle, Economic Development Analyst, PA Department of Community & Economic Development on behalf of Mandy L. Book, CFA Executive Director on the status of the Moscow Borough Multimodal Academy Street, Stormwater, Paving and Upgrade Project Grant Application for \$1,830,812.00. The grant was approved for \$300,000.00. A meeting will be held to discuss process going forward with those involved with the grant.(copy of approved Lackawanna County grants provided)
- B. Waiting for contract to sign and begin process for approved 2025 LSA Grant for the Moscow Borough Police Vehicle Purchase in the amount of \$62,000.00. Also, the new vehicle will be an incurred expense and not leased
- C. Moscow Borough Alternate Solicitor is needed going forward to replace Atty. Joseph McDonald who was appointed as Moscow Borough Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor at the January 6, 2026 meeting.

9. TREASURER'S REPORT: (Deposit Detail and General Journal Reports available upon request)

- A. Treasurers Report January 2026
 - 1. Transfer Report (copy provided)
 - 2. Bank Balances (copy provided)
 - 3. Accounts Payables for the month (copy provided)
 - 4. January 2026 P & L Report (copy provided)

10. REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTOR:

- A. Real Estate Tax Collector Report (copy provided)

11. FINANCIAL REPORT : Joseph Castrogiovanni, Finance Chair

- A. Certificate of Deposit with mature date of February 12, 2026 in the amount of \$11,000.00 current interest rate of 4.20% with Edward Jones. Requesting reinvestment with either Peoples Security Bank & Trust Co., Edward Jones or HNB Bank. **(copy of rates as of 01/29/26 provided)**

12. STREETS / PLANNING COMMISSION AND COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS, Marc Gaughan, Streets Chair

- A. Recap of Planning Commission Meeting held on Tuesday January 27, 2025.
 - 1. Harmony Woods
 - 2. MarKoz Realty 120-Day extension for Harmony Hills Phase III Land Development Project. Current deadline expires February 21, 2026. At the planning commission meeting held on 01/27/26 it was unanimously voted by all members to recommend to council that an *additional 120-day extension should be denied* based on no response to the previous requested information. Decision is now in the hands of Moscow Borough Council whether or not to grant the next additional 120-day extension.
(copy of previous request provided) **(Action needed)**

13. ZONING OFFICER AND CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER: George Parker, PE

- A. Monthly Report January 2026 (copy provided)

14. ZONING HEARING BOARD:

15. PARKS AND RECREATION / SHADE TREE COMMISSION, Nichole Musewicz, Chair

16. POLICE DEPARTMENT: Chief Ivy Brenzel

- A. Police Report January 2026 (copy provided)
- B. Article dated Friday 01/30/26 in the Times-Tribune in reference to an arrest made on Market Street by Moscow Borough Cpl. Martin Cieless (copy provided)

17 MAYORS REPORT: Mayor Rosemarie Warner

18 JUNIOR COUNCIL: Luis Arias and Alia Rava

19. MUNICIPAL BUILDING: Dennis Cawley, Chair

20. MOSCOW SEWER AUTHORITY:

21. SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Attorney Bruce S. Zero

22. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: Edward Gaughan, Chair

23. RECYCLING: Earnest Church, Chairperson

24. OLD BUSINESS:

25. NEW BUSINESS:

26. ADJOURNMENT
