

**REGULAR MEETING – AUGUST 11, 2025
BOROUGH OF NORTHERN CAMBRIA
1202 PHILADELPHIA AVENUE
NORTHERN CAMBRIA, PA 15714**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ALL MEETINGS ARE TAPE RECORDED. ANYONE WITH A POCKET RECORDER, PLEASE ANNOUNCE THE FACT.

PLEASE TURN ALL CELL PHONES ON SILENT AND NO TALKING, OUTBURSTS, OR SIDE COMMENTARY BY PERSONS NOT RECOGNIZED BY THE PRESIDING OFFICER TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL WILL BE TOLERATED.

Meeting called to order by President Jason Whited at 7:30 p.m. Also, present William Toth, Donald Ferguson, James Rocco, Brandi Wargo, and Mayor Lisa Mays.

Motion by Donald Ferguson to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2025, regular meeting, 2nd by Jason Whited.

Roll Call: Whited – yes; Toth – yes; Ferguson – yes; Rocco – yes; Wargo – yes. Motion passed.

Residents Present: Joseph Weakland, Gloria Weakland, Diane McMullen, Pat McMullen, Pete Barczak, Vickie Vasile, Public Works Superintendent Joseph Woods, Solicitor Devin C. O’Leary, Mike Mays, Sheila Ondecko, John Jarvis, Barbara Jarvis, Laura Palmisano, Shirley Kelly, Cathy Boring, Joanne Haggerty, Tyler Nelson, Bob Curry, Brent Warner, Officer Joe Moser, Matthew Barczak, and Star Courier Reporter Ray Clawson.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: PLEASE LIMIT YOU’RE TIME, STAND AND STATE YOUR NAME SO THAT YOU CAN BE HEARD BY EVERYONE. ONE PERSON TALKS AT A TIME. PUBLIC COMMENTS MAY ALSO CONSIST OF ITEM ON THE AGENDA. THANK YOU.

Judy Boring discussed her ongoing issues with her neighbor’s dog, and nothing being done about it. Mayor Mays stated that she will discuss this with Officer Moser.

Diane McMullen requested updates on the permitting with DEP and grant writer.

Pat McMullen asked if the Jewish synagogue was sold. Mr. McMullen was informed that the deal fell through.

Bob Curry asked if the Borough was still in a towing contract with Pellas Towing in light of what is going on. Mr. Curry discussed the charges that have been filed against Dustin Pellas and Council advised him that the Borough is still in contract with Pellas Towing

Vickie Vasile discussed the 10th Street draining issue and she stated that she would contact DEP if need be.

Pete Barczak commented that Council does not have the right to send people outside during executive sessions and to please consider this. He also asked for an update on the junk ordinance and was advised that this was passed months ago and he requested a copy of the ordinance that was approved.

Matt Barczak discussed the lot consolidation for Hope Fire Company’s new fire station, Car Show and Heritage Festival went well, he is willing to help with the filing for an LSA grant for two (2) portable pumping stations, and informed Council on renovations they are wanting to complete on the old hospital site on 22nd Street and possibly vacating that alley.

STREET

Motion by Jason Whited, 2nd by William Toth to adopt Resolution No. 11 of 2025 as follows:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTHERN CAMBRIA, PENNSYLVANIA, CONDEMNING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY IN ORDER TO UNDERTAKE FLOOD PROTECTION IMPROVEMENTS AND RENOVATIONS TO EXISTING WATER SYSTEMS FOR THE BENEFIT OF NORTHERN CAMBRIA BOROUGH;

Roll Call: Whited – yes; Toth – yes; Ferguson – yes; Rocco – yes; Wargo – yes. Motion passed.

Motion by James Rocco, 2nd by Jason Whited to adopt Resolution No. 12 of 2025 as follows:

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTHERN CAMBRIA, PENNSYLVANIA, RELATING TO SUPPORT AND VOTE FOR LEGISLATION TO ASSIST DISABLED MINERS, INCLUDING LEGISLATION TO INCREASE MONTHLY BLACK LUNG BENEFIT RATES;

Roll Call: Whited – yes; Toth – yes; Ferguson – yes; Rocco – yes; Wargo – yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Donald Ferguson, 2nd by William Toth to adopt Resolution No. 13 of 2025 as follows:

Be it RESOLVED, that the Borough of Northern Cambria of Cambria County hereby request a Statewide Local Share Assessment grant up to \$230,000.00 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for the purchase of a new four-wheel drive ambulance.

Be it FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Applicant does hereby designate Jason E. Whited, Council President and Claudine M. Nagle, Borough Manager as the officials to execute all documents and agreements between the Borough of Northern Cambria and the Commonwealth Financing Authority to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested grant.

Roll Call: Whited – yes; Toth – yes; Ferguson – yes; Rocco – yes; Wargo – yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Jason Whited to approve filling in the open trench at 412 Lincoln Street upon completion of the Flood Protection Project, 2nd by James Rocco.

Roll Call: Whited – yes; Toth – yes; Ferguson – yes; Rocco – yes; Wargo – yes. Motion passed.

Motion by James Rocco to approve the removal of two (2) trees at 3301 Bigler Avenue at property owner’s risk and expense, 2nd by Jason Whited.
Roll Call: Whited – yes; Toth – yes; Ferguson – no; Rocco – yes; Wargo – yes. Motion passed.

PERSONNEL

Motion by Donald Ferguson to hire Sonya M. Nagle as full-time Administrative Assistant/Parking Attendant Non-Confidential at the rate of \$18.00 per hour, 2nd by Brandi Wargo.
Comment: Ninety (90) day probationary period is being waived due to employment with Borough since July 10, 2023.
Roll Call: Whited – yes; Toth – yes; Ferguson – yes; Rocco – yes; Wargo – yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Jason Whited to hire Daniel McClosky as full-time laborer at the rate of \$18.00 per hour due to successful completion of a ninety-day probationary period, and to terminate Ryan Shaffer as a full-time laborer effectively immediately, 2nd by Brandi Wargo.
Roll Call: Whited – yes; Toth – yes; Ferguson – yes; Rocco – yes; Wargo – yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Jason Whited to hire Tyler Bradley, as a temporary part-time seasonal laborer at the rate of \$12.00 per hour, 2nd by James Rocco.
Roll Call: Whited – yes; Toth – yes; Ferguson – yes; Rocco – yes; Wargo – yes. Motion passed.

Motion by William Toth to approve the lump sum distribution of Scott Anderson’s vested pension benefit, 2nd by James Rocco.
Roll Call: Whited – yes; Toth – yes; Ferguson – yes; Rocco – yes; Wargo – yes. Motion passed.

Motion by James Rocco to approve the sum of \$150.00 a month for office cleaning services provided by Kayla Puckett, 2nd by Brandi Wargo.
Roll Call: Whited – yes; Toth – yes; Ferguson – yes; Rocco – yes; Wargo – yes. Motion passed.

Motion by William Toth to approve the sum of a \$.50 per hour increase to the interim Officer in Charge, effective immediately, 2nd by Donald Ferguson.
Roll Call: Whited – yes; Toth – yes; Ferguson – yes; Rocco – yes; Wargo – yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Jason Whited to hire Spark Community Capital as the Borough’s grant writer, 2nd by William Toth.
Roll Call: Whited – yes; Toth – yes; Ferguson – yes; Rocco – yes; Wargo – yes. Motion passed.

REPORTS TO BE REVIEWED AT SECRETARIES DESK: FINANCIAL REPORT

Treasurer’s Report	General Fund Balance – FNB	\$436,975.84
Budget	General Fund Balance – CNB	\$808.37
Northern Cambria Municipal Authority Minutes	General Fund Expenses - FNB	\$113,137.73
West Branch Sewer Authority Minutes	General Fund Expenses – CNB	\$0.00
Tax Collector’s Report	General Fund Receipts – FNB	\$101,164.70
	General Fund Receipts – CNB	\$2,051.30
	Highway Aid Balance	\$329,344.45
	Beautification Account	\$116.48
	Police Car Capital Reserve	\$43,367.90
	Flood Control Reserve	\$21,594.94
	Truck Capital Reserve	\$104,618.53
	Bridge Capital Reserve	\$102,080.38
	Blight Capital Reserve	\$20,391.74

BILLS – GENERAL FUND – FNB

ACH	MetLife - Group Benefits	-\$307.35	17360	UniFirst Corporation	-\$78.70
ACH	NC Borough Payroll Fund	-\$27,005.50	17361	Quill Corporation	-\$519.39
ACH	Amtrust North America	-\$3,158.00	ACH	Galls, LLC	-\$803.38
ACH	Verizon Connect	-\$75.80	ACH	MacKay Meters, Inc.	-\$780.00
17336	Albert LeGars, Jr.	-\$50.00	ACH	NC Borough Payroll Fund	-\$27,232.15
17337	Donald Ferguson	-\$50.00	ACH	WEX Bank	-\$2,237.00
17338	James Rocco	-\$50.00	ACH	Employment Partners Benefits	-\$11,200.71
17339	Jason Whited	-\$50.00	17362	PSAB U/C	-\$734.99
17340	Lisa Mays	-\$50.00	ACH	NC Borough Payroll Fund	-\$26,682.52
17341	Ronald J. Nagle	-\$50.00	17363	AFSCME Health & Welfare Fund	-\$375.68
17342	William J. Toth, Jr.	-\$50.00	17364	American Legal Services	-\$14.48
17343	AFSCME Health & Welfare	-\$281.95	17365	Centre Communications, Inc.	-\$120.00
17344	American Legal Services	-\$21.72	17366	Com-Print	-\$450.00
17345	Bobik’s Do It Best Home	-\$231.72	17367	Comcast	-\$712.38
17346	Devin C. O’Leary, Esq.	-\$2,975.00	17368	Doing Better Business, Inc.	-\$480.86
17347	Doing Better Business, Inc.	-\$67.27	17369	F W F Insurance Agency, Inc.	-\$6,690.70
17348	Fayette Parts Service	-\$34.96	17370	Fayette Parts Service	-\$369.69
17349	Gittings Private Invest.	-\$29.99	17371	Gerald Karlheim	-\$628.46
17350	Hugill Sanitation, Inc.	-\$20,969.75	17372	NC Recreation Commission	-\$18,718.00

17351	Kayla Puckett	-\$100.00	17373	Penelec	-\$6,655.44
17352	L/B Water Service Inc.	-\$1,403.00	17374	Pitney Bowes Global Financial	-\$82.44
17353	New Enterprise Stone & Lime	-\$922.84	17375	Quaker Sales Corporation	-\$190.00
17354	Penelec	-\$441.97	17376	Rache' Kirsch	-\$625.00
17355	Pennsylvania One Call	-\$16.11	17377	Stiffler, McGraw & Associates, Inc.	-\$496.00
17356	Pitney Bowes, Inc.	-\$130.88	17378	UniFirst Corporation	-\$157.40
17357	Quill Corporation	\$0.00	17379	Verizon Wireless	-\$348.82
17358	TH Port-A-John	-\$190.55	17380	Yoder Equipment LLC	-\$512.00
17359	Tribune-Democrat	-\$291.00			

Motion by Brandi Wargo to approve the payment of all expenditures as recommended by the Finance Committee, 2nd by James Rocco.

Roll Call: Whited – yes; Toth – yes; Ferguson – yes; Rocco – yes; Wargo – yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Donald Ferguson to adjourn at 8:04 p.m., 2nd by Brandi Wargo.

Roll Call: Whited – yes; Toth – yes; Ferguson – yes; Rocco – yes; Wargo – yes. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Claudine M. Nagle
Borough Manager/Secretary