FORTY FORT BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2026

The Forty Fort Borough council held their meeting on Monday, October 5, 2026, at the Forty Fort Borough Bldg. 1271 Wyoming Ave., with council president, Thomas J. Murray, III presiding.

President Murray called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM with the following council members present: Sara Michaels, David Sieminski, Cara Devine, Tori Carey & Amanda Gallagher. Kristy Pernot was absent. Also present were Mayor Mary Ann Bottaro, Atty. Greg Skibitski, Code officers Matt Ogden & Lee Hampton & Borough manager Bonnie Arnone.

CITIZENS & TAXPAYERS COMMENTS:

Jane Rosentel of 1730 Wyoming Ave. questioned council on the plans for the UGI property on Hughes St. that was recently razed. Mr. Odgen told her that they would be storing transformers on the lot. She expressed concerns of the environmental impacts of these transformers.

CONSENT AGENDA:

The following minutes and reports were presented to council for review and are ready for a vote. Ms. Devine made a motion to accept all minutes and reports with Ms. Gallagher seconding the motion. All council was in favor. Motion passed. They are:

8/17/26 Council work session minutes	9/8/26 Council meeting minutes
August 2026 Code Office Report	August 2026 Police Dept. report
August 2026 Kingston/Forty Fort Fire Chief Report	August 2026 Lee Hampton Report
August 2026 Treasurer's Report	August 2026 Tax Collector Report
August 2026 Manager's Time Sheets	

Note: Ms. Devine added that the Kingston Forty Fort Fire Department had recently held an open house and that they would be having an event on October 19, 2026, for kids.

COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS:

A motion to pay all bills as presented was made by Ms. Devine & seconded by Ms. Carey. All council was in favor of this motion. Motion carried.

A motion to request the Forty Fort Civil Service Commission create an eligibility list for the Police Department was made by Ms. Devine & seconded by Mr. Sieminski. All council was in favor of this motion. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Fall cleanup event will be held from Monday-Thursday, October 19-22, 2026. Deadline to sign up is Friday, October 16, 2026.

AROUND THE TABLE:

Ms. Michaels reported that the 4-miler run will be held on Saturday, October 10, 2026, in memory of Dan Jones.

Mr. Sieminski stated that the Dog park is open and will be doing a formal opening in the future.

Ms. Devine stated that Rome Bath will be doing their annual Trunk or Treat event this year where the Borough will attend. Candy has been purchased for this event.

Mayor Bottaro reminded everyone of the Fall Festival this Saturday, October 10, 2026. She also stated that the Pollinator Garden was looking great.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At this time, 6:22 pm, council adjourned to Executive Session to discuss the Borough Manager position search.

ADJOURNMENT:

Council re-convened from Executive Session at 6:49 PM. A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Devine & seconded by Mr. Sieminski.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, October 19, 2026 at 6:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Arnone, Borough Manager