

Forty Fort Borough Council Meeting Monday November 3, 2025

The November 3, 2025, meeting for Forty Fort Borough Council was held at the Forty Fort Borough Building, 1271 Wyoming Ave., Forty Fort, PA with president, Thomas J. Murray III presiding.

Call to order

Gavel strike of President of Council Thomas Murray called tonight's meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Reverend Lukesh led the prayer and Mayor Brian Thomas led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

President Thomas Murray ordered a roll call. Members in attendance were President Thomas Murray, Sara Michaels, Kristy Dadurka, Dave Sieminski, Frank Mazza, Amanda Gallagher, Borough Manager Bonnie Arnone, Borough Secretary Michele Pascarella, Solicitor Greg Skibitsky, Police Chief Dan Hunsinger, Code Officer Lee Hampton, and Borough Mayor Brian Thomas. Vice President Cara Devine was absent. There were 15 visitors in attendance.

President Murray announced that there had been an Executive Session following the October 20, 2025 council work session to discuss Code Enforcement legal matters.

Public Comments

Tori Carey from Parks & Recreation stated that the tree lighting will be Saturday November 29, 2025, at 6:45 PM. They will pass out gifts and snacks at 6:00 PM. Judging will begin at 5:30 PM December 16, 2025, for Forty Fort's House Decoration competition.

John Gallagher from 135 River Street asked Council about a piece of literature that he received in his mailbox asking if the table that was purchased for Council was \$20,000.00 and used by taxpayers' money. Council answered saying that was misinformation. The amount was around \$16,500.00 and was used from interest from the Krishock Fund. (money that was donated to Forty Fort)

John Looker from 17 Hughes Street asked if anything more could be done with parking at the new pizza shop. He has a hard time pulling in /out of his driveway. He has called 911 multiple times on people parking illegally. He also stated that there are tractor trailers there between the hours of 3AM-5AM making deliveries.

Consent Agenda

Matters listed on the consent agenda have been referred to members of the Borough Council for reading and study, are routine and will be enacted by one motion of Council. If separate

discussion is desired, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda by Council action. The resolutions listed below are submitted by the Borough Council for review and will be adopted by one motion. These items were presented to the council at the prior month's work session for review. Motion to approve and/or accept the following consent agenda items:

- 9/15/25 Council work session minutes
- 9/15/25 Special Council Meeting Minutes
- 10/6/25 Council Meeting Minutes
- September 2025 Code Office Report
- September 2025 Forty Fort Police Chief Report
- September 2025 Treasure's Report
- September 2025 Manager's Time Sheets
- September 2025 Kingston/Forty Fort Fire Chief Report
- September 2025 Tax Collector Report
- 7/15/25 WVSA Meeting Minutes
- 8/19/25 WVSA Special Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Amanda Gallagher to approve the consent agenda and seconded by Sara Michaels. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Council Action Items

A motion was made by Dave Sieminski to pay all bills as presented and seconded by Amanda Gallagher. All were in favor. Motion passed unanimously. All bills that are to be paid at every meeting are on the Council table for anyone to view.

A motion was made by Sara Michaels to sign the Conflict-of-Interest Waiver and seconded by Kristy Dadurka. All were in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Dave Sieminski to engage the professional services of Attorney Angelo Terrana and was seconded by Sara Michaels. All were in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Amanda Gallagher to sign the Agreement of Sale for Satayana property for \$360,000.00 and was seconded by Dave Sieminski. All were in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Dave Sieminski to pay \$5,000.00 refundable downpayment for the property and was seconded by Sara Michaels. All were in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Amanda Gallagher to purchase the 2025 Ford Police Cruiser funded by an LSA grant of \$65,000.00 and was seconded by Kristy Dadurka. All were in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Sara Michaels to pay unfunded amount of \$101.91 for the purchase of the police cruiser and was seconded by Amanda Gallager. All were in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Stump Grinding project- Rick Kamus-the project has been completed. More than 50 stumps were removed.

Pool Committee Update- Kristy Dadurka- Kristy stated that Lori Girvin has reached out to 3 different engineering firms and has not heard anything back yet. She will keep everyone updated.

Around the Table

Sara Michaels said as she was out and about talking to residents, she received many complaints about the corner of Dennison and Wyoming Ave. There is a dip in the road that is horrible. Sara also said get out and vote tomorrow.

Mayor Brian Thomas worked alongside Brenda Pugh at the food drive and stated what a humbling experience it was.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 6:22 PM.

The next meeting will be a work session held on Monday November 2025, at 6:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Pascarella
Borough Secretary