PLYMOUTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING – August 11, 2026, at 6:00PM

Mr. Cunningham shared a report of West Nile Virus detected in Luzerne County, reminding residents to remove standing water whenever possible on property.

Ms. Eroh thanked the DPW, Council, Mayor, Fire, and Police departments for their involvement in this year's Kielbasa Festival. She shared that any events that occurred around Plymouth were not a part of the festival and are part of ongoing investigations, no further comment is available. The Shawnee Spooktacular will be on Sunday, October 25, 2026, providing a free, fun and safe event. A grand opening for the "Taste Of JA" on Main Street is 6 PM, tomorrow and all are welcome.

Mayor Coughlin warned residents to pay attention to the paving notices posted. This is a big paving project on Main St. any cars will be towed, not ticketed and are the owner's responsibility. He recapped the police activity at 495 calls in July. Residents are encouraged to call 9-1-1 when they have an issue, just be patient with the officers. He addressed people online causing more problems posting their speculations on social media. This behavior only adds to the commotion. He reiterated active investigations are underway by the Police Department. He thanked our neighboring Police Departments from West Side, Nanticoke and State for their support. He stressed that the Kielbasa Festival isn't going anywhere. He shared that Ben Johnson will be inducted into the PA Sports Hall of Fame on September 26, 2026. He would like to share a proclamation in his honor. Lastly, he reminded everyone that school is back in session soon, motorists should use caution and watch for the kids.

Regular meeting was called to order by Ms. Eroh, "The Pledge of Allegiance" was recited and a moment of silence was observed.

Roll was called with Mr. Earl Cunningham, Mr. Thomas Hogan, Mr. Adam Morehart, Mr. John Thomas, and Ms. Alexis Eroh present. Mr. Bill Dixon and Mr. Ron Kobusky were absent and excused.

There were no public comments regarding agenda items.

Dave Yefko of Plymouth Rotary is looking for whomever fixed the bench at the Rotary's adopted plot at the Shawnee Cemetery. The bench had been damaged during these storms. They have ordered new panels to be repaired but they want to formally thank whoever took care of this.

Pat Smith of Plymouth Historical Society shared an update on the Avondale Mine mural which will be dedicated at 10 AM on Sunday, September 13, 2026, with their annual open house following at 2 PM.

Helen Youlles of Plymouth Historical Society informed that they received notice that the historical marker for Howell Mining has been sent to be cast. Their best guess would be dedication in the spring of 2027. They will continue to provide updates, as there are several steps that need to be followed regarding placement.

John Frey of East Shawnee Ave recently had a sewer issue at one of his properties. Although he was apprehensive to just fill out the form, he was thrilled at how efficient the staff was. He was given good advice and able to get everything back in working order quickly, so he wanted to formally thank everyone involved – Bill, Earl, Stu Krasavage, and the DPW.

Jospeh Weiberth of Nottingham St shared that he is please to see that some things are moving and actions taken regarding his sewer issue. He does have some concerns on how it is being addressed. He has gone to check it, and the t-fitting was installed wrong, among other things. Mr. Cunningham shared an update that BHW has been onsite as well and the progress is on-going. It will have a final inspection and a report given when complete. Mr. Weiberth stressed that he just wants them to get it done.

Laura Keller of Plymouth Public Library commended Council, the Mayor, DPW, Police and Fire departments and Plymouth Alive for another successful Kielbasa Festival. She stated this was their most successful year fundraising yet, thanks to the library visitors, staff and volunteers. She encouraged everyone to get a jump on September's library card sign up month. Those numbers impact state funding and grant eligibility for the library. She also encouraged everyone to attend cornhole tournament, which is a fundraiser for the Police Association.

Martin McElligott of Templeton Lane with a complaint about both two lights on his street are out. He is hoping that this can get it taken care of for the street.

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1. Motion made to pay Falzone Towing Service Inc. in the amount of $1,536.21 for invoice #54730.
   OTQ: This was for service to the old bucket truck. Thank you to Kuharchik Constructions for helping us get the Kielbasa Festival banners up while this was being serviced.

   Motion: Mr. Cunningham 2nd: Mr. Thomas Vote: 5 yes; 2 absent

2. Motion made to approve the meeting minutes from regular meeting held July 14, 2026, and special meeting held on July 25,2026.

   Motion: Mr. Morehart 2nd: Mr. Hogan Vote: 5 yes; 2 absent

3. Motion: I hereby move to accept the monthly fire and police reports for July 2026.

   Motion: Mr. Cunningham 2nd: Mr. Thomas Vote: 5 yes; 2 absent

4. Motion: I hereby move to pay the following monthly bills:

GENERAL FUND:	26-525GF– 26-612GF
LIQUID FUELS:	26-132LF – 26-147LF
RECREATION FUND:	26-034RF – 26-039RF

   Motion: Mr. Morehart 2nd: Mr. Hogan Vote: 5 yes; 2 absent
   *Mr. Thomas voted to pay all bills except 26-555GF of which he has a contractual personal interest.

5. Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Cunningham.
   Council wishes everyone a safe and happy Labor Day.

Respectfully submitted by:
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Maryann Lang, Plymouth Borough Secretary

Approved September 8, 2026