PLYMOUTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING – May 12, 2026, at 6:00PM

Mr. Cunningham thanked everyone on behalf Mayor Coughlin for their efforts and support with "pick-up Plymouth".

Mr. Hogan thanked all of Council for their support recently while he was unable to attend last few meetings. He commented on agenda item #5, the resolution for the COG Project. He believes this is heading in the right direction for success.

Mr. Morehart provided details regarding the "Hometown Heros" banners. Applications can be emailed to plymouthpahh@gmail.com through August 31, 2026. He followed up on public comment from last month's meeting, stating he is working on a revised TNR process, with more straightforward packet and master log. It adds in a thirty-day window, a one-time extension of fourteen days, and a maximum of two vouchers at a time. Residents are reminded to return unused vouchers. Lastly, he is still working with Booth Management, who administered the grant for Coal Creek, providing them with the final details needed for their risk assessment. Happy Memorial Day and we hope to see many of you at the 250 Celebration and Parade.

Mr. Dixon invited everyone to the Women's Club bake sale that takes place at the Municipal Building on May 19, 2026. He also shared details of a free camp hosted with the Wyoming Valley West Jr. Spartans on June 14, 2026, from 10 AM – 12 PM at the WVW stadium. He reminded everyone that the Community Shred Event is June 13, 2026, from 9 AM – 12 PM. He commented on Coal Creek stating the road is being washed out. We need to get some type of drain further up to control the runoff flow. We may need to sit down with Plymouth Township to talk about a solution.

Ms. Eroh discussed the Planning Agency meeting, which took place on May 6, 2026. We do need to get started on construction but are still seeking additional funding for the playground project at Eno St. and Church St. She shared details of an audit review regarding our subcontracted Building Code Official (BHW), with no findings.

Capt. Thomas shared that the Community Crime Watch meeting took place on April 29, 2026. The next meeting will be held on June 10, 2026, and hope to decide on set dates for meeting monthly. A Facebook page has been created, noting this is separate from the "Neighborhood Watch" page. This group will depend on community involvement in solution seeking.

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

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

There were no public comments regarding agenda items.

Mary - Academy St – Wants to know what can be done regarding the condemned property located at 79/81 Academy. The house is deteriorated, with broken windows, holes in roof, shingles sliding off, and more. The property has been vandalized multiple times. The neighbors are concerned that since there are still utilities at this property, a fire could start. The owner is believed to be in a nursing home, unable to tend to these matters. What can the borough do to help?

Cheryl - High St – Would like to see if police department could enforce parking throughout town. It is extremely challenging for bus drivers to navigate safely. She also followed up on crosswalks on Main Street, which was brought up at a previous meeting.

1. Motion made to accept the immediate resignation of John Kovach, Zoning Officer of Plymouth Borough.

   OTQ: Thank you Jack for your decades of service from all of Plymouth Borough.

   Motion: Mr. Dixon 2nd: Mr. Morehart Vote: 5 yes, with regret; 2 absent

2. Motion made to accept the resignation of Frank Meredick from the Plymouth Borough Zoning Hearing Board, effective immediately.

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

3. Motion made to appoint Frank Meredick to the position of Zoning Officer of Plymouth Borough. The position of Zoning Officer is paid an annual salary of $2,000.00, made in monthly installments and is subject to payroll deductions, as required by law. This position is at-will and receives no benefits, including but not limited to sick, vacation, personal paid time off, or holiday pay and health insurance coverage.

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

4. Motion made to appoint Ed Hobbs as a member of the Zoning Hearing Board of Plymouth Borough. This appointment shall be effective immediately and for a term of three years.

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

5. Motion made to approve Resolution No. 2 of 2026, confirming the Borough of Plymouth's participation in the LSVCOG Multi-municipal Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Update Project.

   OTQ: This is a part of a greater whole plan.

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

6. Motion was made to extend the Lease for the premise located at the corner of Barnes and Barn Streets, Borough of Plymouth, County of Luzerne, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to Robert Lushefski, Sr., of 325 Barnes Street, Plymouth, Pennsylvania, under the terms and conditions of the Lease prepared by the Solicitor. This agreement is contingent upon Mr. Lushefski, Sr., signing the Lease.

   OTQ: This is continuing a longstanding lease, and the tenant maintains the property.

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

7. Motion was made to authorize Ron Kobusky, Council President, to sign on behalf of Plymouth Borough Council and Maryann Lang, Plymouth Borough Secretary to attest on the Quit Claim Deed of Jerome B Lech.

   OTQ: This property was sold at assessed value in 2019 but attorney needed to file with the county.

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

8. Motion made to approve quote #2-36782 from Mesko Glass to install handicap accessibility package at Plymouth Public Library in the amount of $12,400.00 with a 50% deposit payment.

   OTQ: This portion is for the automatic opener buttons. As part of a plan to make the library more accessible.

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

9. Motion made to pay Aircon in the amount of $6,447.00 for Invoice #731630.

   OTQ: This is for the control panel repair.

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

10. Motion made to pay S. Krasavage Concrete Construction $ 4,645.00 for Invoice #7791011 for repairs completed to catch basin on Gaylord Ave and culvert on Second St.

    OTQ: We will get WVSA stormwater reimbursement for this.

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

11. Motion made to approve the meeting minutes from regular meeting held April 14, 2026.

    Motion: Mr. Dixon 2nd: Mr. Morehart Vote: 4 yes; 2 absent; Mr. Hogan abstained as he was not present at the meeting, memorandum received.

12. Motion made to accept the monthly fire reports for March and April 2026 and the monthly police report for April 2026.

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

13. Motion made to pay the following monthly bills:

GENERAL FUND:	26-297GF– 26-394GF
LIQUID FUELS:	26-074LF – 26-093LF
RECREATION FUND:	26-013RF – 26-020RF

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

14. Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Cunningham.

Respectfully submitted,

Maryann Lang

Maryann Lang, Plymouth Borough Secretary

Approved June 9, 2026