

BOROUGH OF CONSHOHOCKEN BOROUGH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING

Wednesday, September 2, 2026

PUBLIC MEETING

PRESENT: Tina Sokolowski, Council President
Kathleen Kingsley, Council Vice-President
David Bria, Council Member
Alan Chmielewski, Council Member
Ralph Frey, Council Member
Adrian Serna, Council Member
Yaniv Aronson, Mayor

ALSO PRESENT: Stephanie Cecco, Borough Manager
Michael E. Peters, Borough Solicitor

CALL TO ORDER

The Public Meeting of the Conshohocken Borough Council duly advertised, was held at the Conshohocken Borough Hall, 400 Fayette Street, Conshohocken, PA. Ms. Sokolowski called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Sokolowski announced that no public comments were received following the August 19th public meeting or leading up to the September 2nd public meeting.

PRESENTATIONS

- a.) **FY 2027 Financing Update, Garrett Moore, PFM**
 - a. **Consider approving Resolution 2026-14 declaring the Borough's intent to reimburse itself from the proceeds of debt**

Garrett Moore with PFM presented the proposed 2027 financing plan and reimbursement resolution. He reviewed the Borough's previous financing and credit rating. Mr. Moore explained that the Borough plans to borrow approximately \$12,500,000 in early 2027 to continue funding several capital projects. He reviewed the expected schedule, with the bonds priced in December 2026 and the funds received in January 2027. Mr. Moore explained that the reimbursement resolution would allow the Borough to use future bond funds to repay eligible project expenses already paid from reserves. He also reviewed the expected increase in annual debt payments over the next several years. Council asked questions about interest earned on the current bond funds and the expected increase in debt payments. Mr. Moore explained that the Borough does not currently anticipate significant earnings from interest on the bond proceeds. Following the discussion, Council authorized PFM to move forward with the proposed 2027 financing plan.

Mr. Serna made a motion to authorize the PFM finance team to proceed with the proposed FY2027 financing plan, seconded by Mr. Frey. The motion carried 6-0. (Ellam absent)

Mr. Serna made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-14 declaring the Borough's intent to reimburse itself from the proceeds of debt, seconded by Mr. Frey. The motion carried 6-0. (Ellam absent)

LAND USE MATTERS, PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ORDINANCES

There were no land use matter, public hearings and ordinances.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

- a.) **Conduct interviews with applicants for the Parks and Recreation Commission**

Ms. Sokolowski introduced Don Mooney who was present to interview for the Parks and Recreation Commission. Mr. Mooney shared that he is a retired educator who recently moved to the Borough with his wife to be closer to family. He spoke about his positive experiences at local parks and said he was interested in volunteering and helping support parks and recreation programs.

Ms. Sokolowski introduced Tom Marchozzi who was present to interview for the Parks and Recreation Commission. Mr. Marchozzi spoke about growing up in the Borough and how parks helped bring the community together. He shared his involvement in local sports and Little League and expressed interest in expanding community connections through parks, recreation, and seasonal events.

Ms. Sokolowski introduced Jimmy Lynch who was present to interview for the Parks and Recreation Commission. Mr. Lynch discussed his experience serving on the Mary Wood Park Commission and his involvement with youth sports. He shared that he sees opportunities to expand recreation programs,

increase participation, improve access to smaller parks, and add features that encourage children to spend more time outdoors.

Ms. Sokolowski introduced Morgan Alcot who was present to interview for the Parks and Recreation Commission. Ms. Alcot shared that she has lived in the Borough since 2016. She discussed her community involvement and experience as a pediatric physical therapist, particularly in accessibility and recreation for all ages and abilities. She suggested promoting unstructured play and expanding programs for adults and older residents.

Ms. Sokolowski shared that Conor Delany was unable to attend.

Mr. Lynch asked about the Borough’s long-term vision for recreation. Council members discussed expanding programs, improving facilities, and considering future needs for the Community Center and other recreation spaces.

Ms. Sokolowski shared that additional candidates will be interviewed at a future meeting, and Council will review all candidates before making a decision prior to the end of the year.

MANAGER MATTERS

a.) Discussion on the Borough’s 2027 Minimum Municipal Obligations (MMO)

Ms. Cecco reviewed the 2027 Minimum Municipal Obligations (MMOs) for the Borough’s three pension plans. She stated that the required contributions are \$942,500 for Police, \$66,016 for Fire, and \$49,595 for non-uniform. She explained that the required pension contributions under Act 205 must be approved before September 30th and included in the 2027 budget.

b.) Discussion on a Request for Proposals for Comprehensive Planning Services

Ms. Cecco discussed the process for developing a new ten-year Comprehensive Plan. She shared that the current plan was adopted in 2018, and many of its goals have been completed. She explained that the Borough will issue an RFP for a planning consultant and form a seven-member task force, including two Council members and five community members. She reviewed the RFP stipulations and the role of the consultant. She asked Council to consider authorizing advertisement of the RFP at the September 16th Voting Meeting.

c.) Consider appointing Flager Law to serve as Special Counsel for the Borough in the Zoning Hearing Board proceedings regarding the proposed data center in Plymouth Township

Representatives from Flager Law introduced themselves and provided an overview of the firm, including its experience providing legal services to municipalities.

Mr. Bria made a motion to appoint Flager Law to serve as Special Counsel for the Borough in the ZHB proceedings regarding the proposed data center in Plymouth Township, seconded by Mr. Serna. The motion carried 6-0. (Ellam absent)

DEPARTMENT MATTERS

There were no department matters.

LEGAL MATTERS

There were no legal matters.

COUNCIL MEMBER AND MAYOR MATTERS

Mayor Aronson shared that he attended the Pennsylvania State Mayors Association Conference, where he presented on the Borough’s digital communications and social media efforts. He recognized residents of East 9th Ave for their successful block party and highlighted the Conshy Strong Bingo event. He also provided information on two upcoming events, the Conshohocken Running Club 5K and the annual shredding event hosted by the Police Department.

Mr. Frey shared a constituent’s compliment regarding the work of the Public Services Department. He added that the constituent had a concern about the amount of equipment purchased by the Borough, which led to a discussion about the Borough’s ability to remain self-sufficient and operate efficiently, particularly during emergency situations.

Ms. Sokolowski encouraged community members to provide feedback regarding the future of the Conshohocken Cab.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Stephanie Cecco,
Borough Secretary