

**STEELTON BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Monday, November 3, 2025

Present:

Vanessa Bowers, President

Natashia Woods, Vice President

Willie Slade, Councilmember

Michael Segina, Councilmember

Julianna Paoletti, Councilmember

Ciera Dent, Mayor

Kathy McCool, Borough Manager

Ryan Gonder, Solicitor

Randy Watts, Engineer

William Shaub, Chief of Police

Councilmember(s) Absent: Denae House & Vanessa Jenkins

Call Meeting to Order: President Bowers called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Bowers.

Moment of Silence: Mayor Dent led a moment of silence.

Special Presentation(s): None

Council Meeting Roll Call: The roll was called by Mrs. McCool. The individuals listed above were present.

Notice of Executive Session: An executive session was held on November 3, 2025, at 5:45 p.m. to discuss legal and personnel matters.

Public Comments on Agenda Items Only: Pat Gordon, 117 N Front St – Thanked Kathy for her work and the funding brought in for projects

Approval of Treasury Reports as presented for: September 2025

The motion to approve the reports was made by Mr. Segina and seconded by Mr. Slade. The motion was approved unanimously.

Approval of Council Minutes for: October 20, 2025

The motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Slade and seconded by Ms. Paoletti. The motion was approved unanimously.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Mrs. McCool presented for consideration and approval of resignation of Borough Manager/Secretary/Right to Know Officer/Stormwater Authority/Treasurer/SCDC Executive

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Director, Kathy McCool, effective end of day on November 5, 2025. She will retain the treasurer position for the time being and will be updated at the next meeting.

The motion to approve was made by Mr. Segina and seconded by Ms. Paoletti. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. McCool presented for consideration and approval to advertise for the position of Borough Manager.

The motion to approve was made by Mr. Segina and seconded by Ms. Paoletti. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. McCool presented for consideration and approval of Resolution 2025-R- _____
RESOLUTION APPOINTING BOROUGH TREASURER

The motion to table this item was made by Mr. Segina and seconded by Ms. Paoletti. The item was tabled unanimously.

Mrs. McCool presented for consideration and approval of Resolution 2025-R- _____ -
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF DESIGNATED BOROUGH OFFICERS
TO EXERCISE SPECIFIC POWERS IN RELATION TO MID PENN BANK AS BOROUGH
DEPOSITOR

The motion to table this item was made by Mr. Segina and seconded by Mr. Slade. The item was tabled unanimously.

Mrs. McCool presented for consideration and approval of Resolution 2025-R-24, RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DAUPHIN COUNTY LOCAL SHARE MUNICIPAL GRANT AGREEMENT FOR THE FOLLOWING GRANTS:

- STEELTON STORMWATER AUTHORITY; \$75,000 NO. 2025-54
- STEELTON BOROUGH; \$107,000 NO. 2025-53

The motion to approve was made by Mr. Slade and seconded by Ms. Paoletti. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. McCool presented for consideration and approval of Resolution 2025-R-25, RESOLUTION ACCEPTING COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DCED COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE GRANT CONTRACT.

The motion to approve was made by Mr. Segina and seconded by Ms. Paoletti. The motion passed unanimously.

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Mrs. McCool presented for consideration and approval of Resolution 2025-R-26, RESOLUTION ACCEPTING COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DCED STMP GRANT AMENDMENT.

The motion to approve was made by Mr. Slade and seconded by Mr. Segina. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. McCool presented for consideration and approval of updated drivers list for the Steelton Volunteer Fire Department.

The motion to approve was made by Mr. Segina and seconded by Ms. Paoletti. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. McCool presented for consideration and approval of the resignation of Pat Gordon from the Zoning Hearing Board.

The motion to table this item was made by Mr. Segina and seconded by Ms. Paoletti. The item was tabled unanimously.

Correspondence:

- Notices of Change in Assessment

Other Business: None

Public Comments:

- Pat Gordon, 117 North Front Street: Raised concerns and questions about proposed data centers discussed around the borough and referenced prior discussions/rumors. Compared anticipated noise from a data center to historical noise from the plant (said it likely would not be worse than when the plant ran), but still signaled concern. Strongly suggested the borough require data centers to use alternative energy sources like solar where possible rather than drawing solely from PPL. Asked whether there have been studies on data centers — what they do, their contributions, and their hazards — and whether any formal decision or vote has been taken. Requested that the Council “diligently do studies” on how data centers operate and their community impacts before any decision is made.
- Ina Alcindor, 109 Conestoga Street: Stated it was her first time hearing about a data center proposal and asked if any study had been done about what data centers do, their benefits, and hazards. Stated that the idea of a data center is currently a “rumor mill” and urged the council to perform due diligence before making any commitment.
- Renee Drayton Bowers, 504 Lincoln Street: Spoke as a resident and presented a personal testimony about a rumor she had heard involving council members discussing her late son. Said she was informed that one council member told another that her son died by

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vehicle homicide. She disputed that claim, saying that he didn't die because of vehicle homicide and that somebody killed him. She asserted a belief that a crime occurred and that she is seeking justice. Said others accused her of looking for attention in relation to her son. She rejected that characterization and demanded respect. Emphasized the pain of losing a child and noted this month marks sixteen years since her son's death and that Thanksgiving was his favorite month. She invoked shared grief with Kathy (who also lost a son) to underline the sensitivity of discussing deceased children publicly. Issued a warning to council members and others: "Don't talk about my son," and asked that any criticisms or comments be directed to her in person. Expressed readiness to confront anyone who speaks about her son publicly.

Council Comments:

- Willie Slade: Thanked residents for attending and hoped to see them at the next meeting
- Michael Segina: Thanked residents and specifically Pat for assistance and patience for holding on for another month. Thanked Kathy, noting the borough was in poor shape when she started. Highlighted several accomplishments under McCool's tenure: resolving the Clean Water and Streams grant after five years, progress on the RACP grant, organizing various grant funds into a single document, cleaning up minutes and administrative records. Expressed gratitude for her service over roughly 2 years.
- Natasha Woods: Thanked attendees and Kathy for her work and service. Said they would have preferred McCool not to resign but respected her decision. Reminded residents that the next day was Election Day and urged everyone to get out and vote.
- Julianna Paoletti: Thanked Kathy and said she will be missed. Invited her to come back and visit. Thanked residents for attending.
- Ciera Dent: Thanked everyone for their attendance. Encouraged everyone to vote to make change in the Borough.
- Vanessa Bowers: Piggybacked on prior comments, thanking Kathy and expressing she did not want her to leave. Reassured her that she made a difference and that her work was not in vain. Acknowledged the difficulty and stress of the borough manager role, thanked Kathy for working closely with council and staff, and encouraged her to stay in contact and visit. Also reiterated the importance of voting the following day.

Adjournment: *With no other business to discuss, a motion was made by Mr. Segina and seconded by Mr. Slade to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 6:48 PM.*