

NANTY GLO BOROUGH COUNCIL

REORGANIZATION AND REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 5, 2026

Mayor Ray opened the meeting at 6:00 PM at the Nanty Glo Borough municipal office

Pledge of Allegiance given, moment of silence observed

Council members present: David DiPaolo, William Dunchuck, Diane Holby, Christopher Lytle, Michaela Markovich, Robert McEvoy. Mayor William Ray was also present.

Others present: Karen Lytle, Julie Pittman, Chief Michael Freiwald, Melissa Weekes

- Mayor Ray opened the floor for nominations
- MOTION: Markovich, 2nd Lytle to nominate William Dunchuck for Council President. All ayes, no nays. Motion carried
- MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Lytle to nominate David DiPaolo for Council Vice-President. All ayes, no nays. Motion carried
- MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd DiPaolo to nominate Christopher Lytle as President Pro Tem. All ayes, no nays. Motion carried
- The appointed positions list was read.
- MOTION: Lytle, 2nd Markovich to appoint Aimee Willett Law Office as Solicitor, GFT Infrastructure as engineer, Melissa Weekes as Borough Secretary and Treasurer, Bill Dunchuck and Dave DiPaolo as Code Delegates, Ameriserv Bank as depository, Kotzan CPA & Associates as auditor, Bill Dunchuck and Dave DiPaolo as street liaisons, to reappoint Tom Bracken to the sewer authority, Mike Gongloff to the water authority, Dan Palko, Tony Warynovich and Karen Lytle to the municipal authority, Greg Schilling to the zoning board and Karen Lytle to the vacancy board. All ayes motion carried
- The regular meeting was opened by Council President William Dunchuck.
- MOTION: Markovich, 2nd Lytle to approve the December 8, 2025 meeting minutes. All ayes motion carried
- Public Comment:
- Karen Lytle requested that council clarify the duties and funding of the Beautification Committee as well as help with an inventory of what decorations are available. She also requested that the road crew investigate why some of the lights aren't working.
- Mayor Ray gave his report:
- The police are working on the evidence room and issuing parking tickets where there are signs for winter parking. Signs are needed for additional streets to help with plowing. The police responded to 72 calls and collected \$1,207.64 in fines and fees. The regionalization study is still ongoing. The USDA contract was discussed. Mayor Ray will reach out to them about renewing if it is necessary. The bulletproof vest grant program only accepts one application. Chief Freiwald has already submitted the application for one new vest. Mayor Ray would like to discuss allowing ATVs on the road further during the next workshop Dunchuck commented that the next workshop would be mostly for discussing the ordinances that need reviewed for the recodification.
- MOTION: Holby, 2nd Markovich to approve the treasurer's report. All ayes motion carried
- MOTION: Holby, 2nd Lytle to approve paying bills as listed. All ayes motion carried

- The property maintenance update was emailed to all council members
- All the Hometown Hero Banners are down and safely stored.
- The final documents needed for the Ameriserv Bank credit card were submitted.
- There was no response from Xfinity concerning updating the service agreement
- MOTION: Markovich, 2nd McEvoy to approve the acceptance letter, agreement and fee schedule from GFT Infrastructure, Inc. for consulting services as Borough Engineer for 2026. All ayes motion carried
- MOTION: Holby, 2nd Markovich to accept the letter of resignation of William “Bill” Hines from the Nanty Glo Borough Police Department. All ayes motion carried
- MOTION: Lytle, 2nd DiPaolo to accept the letter of resignation from Shawn L. McMullen from the Nanty Glo Borough Municipal Authority. All ayes motion carried
- MOTION: Lytle 2nd DiPaolo to accept the letter of resignation from Brian Brown from the Nanty Glo Borough Municipal Authority. All ayes motion carried
- Chief Freiwald commented that Bill Hines has been with the police department since 2003 and suggested council consider getting him a plaque.
- Ideas for the 250^{-year} celebration were discussed. Holby suggested a parade, dressing in historical outfits, having a hometown picnic with a DJ and fireworks. Combining the celebration with the Fire Company’s Community Days events was mentioned. More information and ideas are needed. Holby suggested inviting the Fire Ladies to a workshop
- MOTION: Lytle, 2nd DiPaolo to adjourn.