

**MINUTES
HAZLETON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2026**

Call to Order: Council met at a Regular Meeting session on Tuesday, February 24, 2026, in Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order at 6 :03 p.m.

Silent Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance: A silent moment was taken followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Bruno-present; Colombo-present; Nilles-present; Ondishin-present; Perry-present

Minutes of Previous Meetings: The minutes of February 10, 2026, Regular Meeting were approved unanimously.

Presentations/Proclamations/Communications: None

Bid Opening: None

Courtesy of the Floor (ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY): None

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCES:

(1ST READING)

. None

(2ND READINGS)

Ordinance 2026-2

An Ordinance Naming and Dedicating Streets within the Allen Ridge Subdivision and Land Development **(1st READING)**

Presented by Perry. Seconded by Colombo.

On the Question:

Atty. Logsdon asked if any of these street names exist in West Hazleton. Nilles stated 911 and the post office must agree before there is any confusion.

Roll Call: Bruno-yes; Colombo-yes; Nilles-yes; Ondishin-yes; Perry-yes

ORDINANCE PASSES UNANIMOUSLY

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 2026-17

A Resolution Adopting Policies Governing the Use of City Parks, Athletic Facilities, and Public Spaces

Presented by Perry. Seconded by Ondishin.

On the Question:

Frank Stish, City of Hazleton Athletic Director, said the City has had their scheduling hardware, in place, for a few years now. He mentioned there are three different usages for the City Parks- Common use, reserved use and league use. The City has applications and insurance requirements. There will also be a fan decorum policy.

Perry stated the City has never had this procedure before. Ondishin asked if someone needs an application for competitive use. Stish said anyone could walk onto a playground and use it. He stated there is a scheduling application and sign up to use. He mentioned there will be a Hazleton City Pickleball League which will play on Tuesdays. Stish stated he and Mr. Perry are the “runners” of the league.

Atty. Logsdon said this procedure “opens up” a lot for the City. The City still offers free play in the City Parks and Facilities. He said this would give the City the opportunity to host for all kinds of activities and sports.

Roll Call: Bruno-yes; Colombo-yes; Nilles-yes; Ondishin-yes; Perry-yes

RESOLUTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution 2026-18

**A Resolution Authorizing Compensation for Members of the
Hazleton Recreational Vehicle Appeals Board**

On the Question:

Atty. Logsdon said the City will establish a fee for the Recreational Vehicle Appeals Board. He mentioned the City will amend the original ATV ordinance. There was not a section, "built" into the ordinance, that sets the fees. This ordinance will be on the City Council agenda in March.

RESOLUTION NOT PRESENTED- RESOLUTION FAILED

Resolution 2026-19

**A Resolution Authorizing the City of Hazleton to Enter into an
Agreement with No Nonsense Neutering for Feral Cat Spay/Neuter and
Vaccination Services**

Presented by Nilles. Seconded by Colombo.

Roll Call: Bruno-yes; Colombo-yes; Nilles-yes; Ondishin-yes; Perry-yes

RESOLUTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY

New Business: None

Old Business: None

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Comments from the Audience: None

Comments from Mayor: None- absent.

Comments from City Administrator: Perry asked Lynch regarding money for a TAN. Lynch said the City has access to ARP (American Rescue Plan) money. He said the City will receive more money from the EIT taxes in February.

Comments from Junior Council: Mateo Feola thanked City Council for dedicating the week of February 9-15- National FBLA week. He stated the state of PA had a record number of 117 qualifiers.

Comments from Council: Perry thanked Barbara Conway for all her work on the feral cat program for the City.

Barbara Conway stated Eileen Matenkoski, City Clerk, will be collecting the City vouchers. She will be contacting Standard Speaker. Perry stated the information should be placed on the City of Hazleton's website. He stated City residents could, also, donate to the cause.

Nilles stated the City and area got lucky with the recent snowstorm. He encouraged everyone to slow down while driving.

Nilles stated the railroad company is having a problem with the snow melting and water connecting to the connectors. He advised residents to make sure there is no train coming at the intersections.

Colombo advised all City residents to clear all snow around fire hydrants.

Adjournment: Perry motioned to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 6:21 p.m.