

BOROUGH OF CONSHOHOCKEN BOROUGH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING

Wednesday, February 4, 2026

PUBLIC MEETING

PRESENT: Tina Sokolowski, Council President  
Kathleen Kingsley, Council Vice-President  
David Bria, Council Member  
Alan Chmielewski, Council Member  
Stacy Ellam, 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 stated that Borough Administration did not receive any public comments following the January 21<sup>st</sup> public meeting or regarding the February 4<sup>th</sup> public meeting agenda.

**PRESENTATIONS**

**a.) Recognition of the Public Services Department, Fire Department, and Police Department during and after Winter Storm Fern**

Representatives from Public Services, Police, and Fire were recognized with a Commendation for their efforts before, during, and after Winter Storm Fern. Mr. Frey read the commendation and presented it to the individuals in recognition of their work to keep the Borough safe and operational.

**LAND USE MATTERS, PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ORDINANCES**

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

**COUNCIL BUSINESS**

**a.) Conduct an interview with an applicant for the Friends of Conshohocken Parks**

Ms. Sokolowski introduced Will Laohoo who was present to interview for a vacancy on Friends of Conshohocken Parks. Mr. Laohoo expressed appreciation for the community's parks and a desire to contribute. He highlighted his background in accounting, finance, and sales and discussed how he could support the Board's financial organization and fundraising efforts. He also confirmed his availability to meet the required time commitment.

**MANAGER MATTERS**

**a.) Discussion on an RFP for Traffic Engineering Services for the Fayette Street Road Diet Project**

Ms. Cecco reviewed the draft RFP for traffic engineering services for the Road Diet project, funded by a \$1,324,000 PennDOT Multimodal Transportation Fund grant awarded in late 2025. She noted the project has been discussed since 2016, with a feasibility study completed in 2022. Ms. Cecco outlined the RFP, which includes full design and project management through bidding and construction, and explained it requires PennDOT approval. She also summarized key MTF guidelines, including proposal evaluation and local match requirements.

Mr. Frey raised questions regarding the traffic data used in the feasibility study, potential diversion to side streets, and enforcement limitations. Ms. Cecco responded that the study incorporated both historical and projected data, that PennDOT supports the findings, and that updated analysis would occur during the design phase. She reiterated that the primary goal of the project is public safety.

Ms. Cecco reviewed the anticipated schedule, with design expected in 2026 and bidding and possible construction in 2027, subject to PennDOT coordination. She requested Council consider authorizing advertisement of the RFP at the February Voting Meeting.

**b.) Consider authorizing the issuance of a notice of intent to award a contract for the Second Avenue Veterans Memorial Plaza**

Ms. Cecco reviewed the bid tabulation for the Second Avenue Veterans Memorial Plaza Project and reported that the lowest responsive bid was \$1,648,736.50 from NJS Concrete LLC. She recommended awarding the contract to NJS Concrete LLC for the base bid, pending a contractor responsibility determination under the Borough's Responsible Contractors Ordinance (RCO). She noted the project is included in the FY2026 capital budget and the PFM financing package. Karen MacNair, Borough Engineer, explained that the bid covers all items in the project plans and that the earlier estimate included additional utility and construction observation costs. She also outlined the RCO review process, which includes contractor document submission, staff review, and public posting.

**Mr. Chmielewski made a motion to authorize the issuance of a notice of intent to award a contract for the Veteran's Memorial Plaza project to NJS concrete, LLC in the amount of \$1,648,736.50 for all items under the base bid, conditioned upon the issuance of a written contractor responsibility determination in accordance with the Borough's Responsible Contractors' ordinance, seconded by Ms. Kingsley. The motion carried 7-0.**

**c.) Consider approving a Mutual Aid Agreement between participating municipalities for the Regional Fire Investigation Team – 6**

Ms. Cecco shared that Fire Chief Gunning requested approval of the agreement, which would formalize the mutual aid system used by Montgomery County municipalities for fire and emergency investigations. She explained that it sets a clear framework for responsibilities, authority, reporting, liability, and staffing before, during, and after emergencies.

**Mr. Bria made a motion to approve a mutual aid agreement between participating municipalities for the Regional Fire Investigation Team -6, seconded by Ms. Kingsley. The motion carried 7-0.**

**DEPARTMENT MATTERS**

There were no department matters.

**LEGAL MATTERS**

There were no legal matters.

**COUNCIL MEMBER AND MAYOR MATTERS**

Mayor Aronson reported on Black History Month events, including a library screening on February 9th, the proclamation at the February 18th Council meeting, and Black Heritage Day on February 28th. He reminded residents of Take Your Child to the Library Day on February 7th and noted fundraising events for National Heart Month benefiting the CHOP Cardiac Center.

Mr. Serna reported that the Environmental Advisory Council (EAC) is working with community partners to revitalize the Conshohocken Rain Garden and plans to apply for two grants totaling \$1,600, with a presentation to follow.

Mr. Chmielewski thanked residents for feedback on the recent snowstorm. Ms. Cecco commended staff, particularly Frank Perry, the Director of Public Services, for his leadership and coordination during the storm and cleanup.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Dennis Fay, 303 West 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, voiced his support of the Road Diet Project to improve Fayette Street safety. He reported speeding, blocked lanes, and dangerous pedestrian conditions. He recommended implementing a parking and traffic plan, adjusting traffic signals, and offered his assistance in making these changes.

Marlowe Doman, 19 East 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue, asked whether the Council would vote again after the final designs for the Fayette Street Road Diet Project. Ms. Cecco responded that the project is already approved, and the designs would be presented publicly for informational purposes. She added that funding for the project is included in the Borough's FY2026 capital fund budget.

Donald Morrison, 141 East 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, reported that a streetlight at Fourth and Hallowell is out. He thanked the Borough's snow removal crew for their efforts and expressed appreciation to Chief Lennon for addressing traffic concerns in the area.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Stephanie Cecco,  
Borough Secretary