

**Kane Borough Council Meeting
September 9, 2026**

Call to Order

The regular monthly meeting of the Kane Borough Council was called to order at 6:30 pm by Council President Tom Kase. The meeting was held at the Borough Office, 112 Bayard St., Kane, PA 16735. Members were notified of the meeting on August 12, 2026.

Invocation

The Invocation was given by Pastor David Pflieger.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Brandy Schimp (Mayor), Tom Kase (Council President), Jack Zelina (Council Vice President), Ingrid Cartwright, Sam Cummings, Robin Imbrogno, Debra Miller, Jerry Milliron, Mick O'Rourke (Street Department), Donald Payne (Council Secretary), Amanda Shrubbs (Recording Secretary), Tony Alfieri (Solicitor), and Derrick Snyder (Chief of Police)

Excused: Matt Bressler (Fire Chief), Joe Geer (Code Compliance)

Visitors

Pastor David Pflieger, Nickolas Williams, Lisa Komara, and Steve Dyne

Statement of Citizens

None

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Ingrid Cartwright, second by Robin Imbrogno to approve the minutes of August 25th Special Council Meeting and August 12th Regular Monthly Council Meeting. With a typographical correction under bills for payment. Ayes from all. Motion carried.

Correspondence

- August transfer tax report was received and reviewed.
- EmeryCare Monthly report was received and reviewed.
- SPARKS Meeting Minutes were received and reviewed.
- Homelessness Consortium June minutes were received and reviewed.

Monthly Reports

- A motion was made by Debra Miller, seconded by Jack Zelina, to approve the August Budget Report. Discussion noted increased storm drain expenses and the strain recent storms have placed on aging infrastructure. All voted in favor. Motion carried.
- A motion was made by Jack Zelina, second by Debra Miller to approve the Tax Collector End-of-month balance for August \$92,237.25. Ayes from all. Motion carried.

Bills for Payment

- General Fund: \$99,159.72
- Capital Projects: \$0
- Liquid Fuels: \$10,550.05
- Payroll: \$52,563.47

A motion was made by Jerry Milliron, second by Ingrid Cartwright, to approve bills for payment. Ayes from all. Motion carried.

Department Reports

A. Office Report

- Report Reviewed, A safety inspection with Tyler Lukart of Optimus Risk Services, conducted as part of the Borough's safety committee requirements, was completed on September 9, 2026. The inspection went well, with only minor issues noted. Core sampling planned for Cherry Street to plan for road reconstruction. Railway work in progress on Oak Street. West side paving to begin September 28, discussion about contractor confusion and how limited the options are. Contractor reports work will progress into December. As fall/autumn comes around leaves should be placed between curb and sidewalk to be picked up

B. Code Compliance

- Report received and reviewed; no further discussion.

C. Solicitor's Report

- Report received and reviewed; real estate transactions are ongoing.

D. Police Department

- Report received and reviewed.
- PT testing scheduled for September 20th for Cadet sponsorship applicants

E. Streets Department

- Report received and reviewed. Reminder that when leaves start falling, they should be raked in between the curb and sidewalk. Not placed in the road.

F. Fire Department

- Report received and reviewed. Burning ordinance reminders issued.

G. Assessment Permits

- Reports received. No additional discussion

H. Health Board

- Report received. Health Board completed five inspections; all passed.

A motion was made by Robin Imbrogno, second Ingrid Cartwright, to approve all department reports.

Ayes from all. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

- Finance committee to hold a budget meeting September 29th at 9:00AM.
- Parks Commission made a recommendation to approve the use of Evergreen Park for Kane Fest scheduled October 2027. The Kane Fest planning committee is advised to keep Council informed of the plans.
- Library Minutes received and reviewed.

No other reports submitted.

A motion was made by Jerry Milliron, second Robin Imbrogno, to approve all committee reports.

Ayes from all. Motion carried.

New Business

- The upset tax sale is Scheduled for September 16, approximately 30 bidders registered. Two Borough properties are expected to remain in the sale.

Unfinished Business

- The Borough's Street Tree Program will plant 20–30 new trees this fall, with priority given to the east side of town. PA One Call will be completed before confirming locations, and a few sites may be ineligible due to utilities or limited space.
- The Borough is continuing to look into the malfunctioning siren near the high school. Early indications suggest the issue falls under township responsibility rather than the county. We're coordinating with the township and the 911 center, and further investigation is underway

Mayor's Report

- Report Submitted.

- Attended brunch with former borough employee Jo Beth; she is doing well.
- Announced UPMC's **Out of the Darkness Suicide Awareness Walk** scheduled for the next day at 5 PM.

Statement of Citizens

- A resident from Greeves Street requested an update on two street trees she applied for last fall and also reported concern about two leaning trees and a nearby utility pole across the street. She asked that both her tree request and the potential safety issue be addressed.

Executive Session

Council met in executive session at 7:30PM regarding property and personnel.

Reconvened to Public Meeting at 7:55 PM

Adjournment

A motion was made by Jerry Milliron, second by Jack Zelina for meeting to adjourn
Meeting Adjourned at 7:55 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Amanda Shrubb, Kane Borough Office Assistant

