

# East Brady Borough Council Reorganization Meeting Minutes

Media: Josh Walzak

Regular Meeting -01/05/2026  
East Brady Borough Council  
Room 14 6:00 PM

Meeting brought to order at 6:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer.

**PRESENT:** Denny King, Barbara Mortimer, Joe Hillwig, Devon Weidenhof, Joy McCluskey, Dean Murray and Bill Rode.

**ABSENT:** Andrew Rosengren

**ROLL CALL:** As Above

**ATTENDANCE:** Susan Buechele, Matthew Ferry, Josh Walzak, Curtis Double and Austin Kepes.

## **Swearing in of Council Members:**

Joy McCluskey

Member sworn in by Mayor Bill Rode.

Election of Council President - Nomination: Barbara Mortimer

**Motion: Joy McCluskey 2<sup>nd</sup>: Joe Hillwig Motion Carried**

Vice President – Nomination: Joe Hillwig

**Motion: Denny King 2<sup>nd</sup>: Devon Weidenhof MC**

President Pro Tem – Nomination: Denny King

**Motion: Joe Hillwig 2<sup>nd</sup>: Joy McCluskey MC**

Vacancy Board Chairman – Nomination: Raymond Eichler

**Motion: Joe Hillwig 2<sup>nd</sup>: Denny King MC**

Appointment of Secretary/Treasurer – Nomination: Leann Needham

**Motion: Joe Hillwig 2<sup>nd</sup>: Devon Weidenhof MC**

Solicitor – Nomination: Amy Schrempf with Andrews & Price LLC.

**Motion: Joe Hillwig 2<sup>nd</sup>: Devon Weidenhof MC**

Engineers – Nomination: LSSE

**Motion: Joe Hillwig 2<sup>nd</sup>: Joy McCluskey MC**

Financial Institution – Nomination: Farmers National Bank

**Motion: Devon Weidenhof 2<sup>nd</sup>: Joy McCluskey MC**

Open Records Officer – Nomination: Leann Needham

**Motion: Denny King 2<sup>nd</sup>: Joy McCluskey MC**

Auditor: Nomination: McGill Power & Bell

**Motion: Denny King 2<sup>nd</sup>: Joe Hillwig MC**

LEMC – Nomination: Harrison Fox

**Motion: Denny King 2<sup>nd</sup>: Dean Murray MC**

Council Committee Assignments: A list of Council assignments will be added to the end of the minutes.

**Regular order of Business:**

**MINUTES:** *It was moved by Joe Hillwig and seconded by Denny King to accept the minutes from the previous meeting as presented. Motion carried.*

**CITIZENS TO SPEAK:** None

**Maintenance Report:** Provided by Curtis Double. Maintenance personal has been maintaining & plowing the streets. Council asked maintenance to sweep away the large piles of snow located near vehicles that were left on the streets. A water leak was detected at the treatment plant and is being repaired.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** None

**Mayor's Report:** None

**EMS Report:** Radios are being ordered.

**Police –** The next Regional Police meeting is scheduled for January 22, 2026.

Reminder that on Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>, 2026 (all day) Applebee's will be donating 15% of the proceeds to SCCRPD. Present your flyer to your waitress. Flyers are available at the Borough office.

**Engineer's Report** – Provided by LSSE.

Borough building roof replacement. Award or reject of bids received by February 22, 2026.

**Motion to reject bids: Joe Hillwig** **2<sup>nd</sup>: Joy McCluskey** **MC**

**Motion to advertise for re-bid: Joe Hillwig** **2<sup>nd</sup>: Joy McCluskey** **MC**

**Water/Sewer-** The next Water Committee Meeting is scheduled for January 22, 2026 at 2pm.

(3) new hydrants are needed near Nelsons, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave & Verner and Uni-Mart.

**Motion to approve up to \$25,000: Denny King** **2<sup>nd</sup>: Devon Weidenhof** **MC**

Maintenance requested a new Sensus handheld meter reader. Andrew from Sensus explained there is a new and less expensive option approx. \$4000 annually. The rep will be in touch after the holiday.

LSSE re-sent the Corrective Action Plan to the DEP with the requested corrections.

**Personnel-** Pay raises

**Motion to approve: Devon Weidenhof** **2<sup>nd</sup>: Joe Hillwig** **MC**

**Streets & Street Lights:** None

**Main Street Committee:** Market on 68 (the old Uni-Mart) is introducing fresh produce. Demolition of buildings is occurring on Kellys Way.

**Building –** It was suggested that EBADC pay a monthly rental fee of \$25 to store their belongings in the basement/hold monthly meetings.

**Tabled for further discussion**

Discuss the increase of rent for Community Center Customers.

**Tabled for further discussion**

UAA was contacted on 12/29/25 – they are done using the building. They will pay the total balance and return the key as per Jason McCollough.

Amy would like to utilize the deep fryers on Tuesdays in the Locker Room.

**Tabled for further discussion**

**Rental Approval:** Dave Lewis would like to rent the Locker Room on June 6<sup>th</sup> from 1-5pm.

Naomi Venesky would like to rent the Locker Room and Gym on March 14<sup>th</sup> from 12-4pm for National Honor Society.

Ashley Rodgers would like to rent the Locker Room and Gym on Friday, January 9<sup>th</sup> from 6-8pm.

**Motion to approve: Devon Weidenhof                      2<sup>nd</sup>: Denny King**

Scherer Electric has been repairing the roof leaks at the Community Center.

Scherer Electric will be providing quotes to add lights to the all-purpose room and Maintenance building.

**Municipal Approval:** None

**Parks and trails:** EBADC requests the borough's permission to place a business sign/directory at the new trail parking lot on Verner Street. The proposed sign will be similar in size, materials and installation method as the existing Trail Rules sign and placed in alignment with the rules sign. It is the intent to use the East Brady brochure town graphics most recently updated by Clarion Printing for the main portion of the sign. A legend showing business types will be included. Local businesses will have the opportunity to purchase a small strip sign strip (that will be attached to the main sign) with their name and info on it to offset costs. A proof of the main sign will be available to the borough to approve prior to EBADC ordering. EBADC will cover all costs associated with this sign including, design, fabrication, installation and maintenance. Please note that approval by EBADC to proceed is pending East Brady Borough's approval. After that, and once all costs are gathered and presented to EBADC, a vote by our board to move forward must be obtained.

A Spring/Summer 2026 installation is targeted.

**Tabled for further discussion – Council would like to see a sketch of the sign.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** McGill Power Bell & Associates, LLP will be here January 19<sup>th</sup> to begin the audit.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** A Thank You letter was sent to B. Kaufman regarding the quick response to trim the hedges at 608 Robinson Street.

A letter was received from EMA that Harrison Fox has been appointed the new Emergency Management Coordinator for East Brady, Clarion Co. (see attached letter).

**MONTHLY BILLS:** Bills were paid on 12/30/2025 due to a 3-week span in between meetings.

**Motion to pay the bills: Devon Weidenhof                      2<sup>nd</sup>: Joe Hillwig                      MC**

**TRANSFER OF FUNDS:** Necessary to transfer \$12,000 from General to Payroll

Necessary to transfer \$12,000 from Special Sewer to Sewer Systems.

**Motion to approve: Joe Hillwig                      2<sup>nd</sup>: Devon Weidenhof                      MC**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Entered into Executive Session at 7:15m to discuss legal issues.

Back in regular session at 7:40pm.

**Motion to adjourn meeting: Devon Weidenhof                      2<sup>nd</sup>: Joe Hillwig                      MC**

**Meeting adjourned at 7:41 pm.**

**Submitted by: -**

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**Leann Needham  
Secretary/Treasurer**

The next meeting is January 20, 2026.

## **2026 EAST BRADY BOROUGH COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

### **Water & Sewer Committee**

Joe Hillwig, Barb Mortimer and Denny King

### **Personnel Committee**

Joy McCluskey, Joe Hillwig, Barb Mortimer

### **Police**

**Regional Board:** Mayor Bill Rode

**Association:** Devon Weidenhof

### **Building Committee**

Denny King and Barb Mortimer

### **Parks and Trails**

Dean Murray and Andrew Rosengren

### **EMS Committee**

Joy McCluskey and Barb Mortimer

### **Streets & Street Lights**

**Streets:** Joe Hillwig, Joy McCluskey

**Street Lights:** Dean Murray & Andrew Rosengren

**Main Street:** Mayor Bill Rode, Devon Weidenhof and Dean Murray