



City of Bradford

Council Meeting Agenda



SEPTEMBER 9, 2025

6:00 P.M.

MAYOR: TOM RIEL

CITY ADMINISTRATOR: ERIC TAYLOR

CITY SOLICITOR: HOLLENBECK LAW OFFICE

COUNCIL: FRED PROPER
TIM PECORA
TERRY LOPUS
KRIS GOLL

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Police Chief:
Fire Chief:
Parks Director:
Public Works
OECD Director:

MIKE WARD
BRETT BUTLER
PAT GOFF
PAT SHANNON
KAREN PECHT

1. **CALL TO ORDER:**

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

3. **ROLL CALL:**

4. **MINUTES:** Minutes from the Aug. 26, 2025, meeting will be approved at a later date

5. **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:** For the month of August 2025

- Mayor Riel - Police/OECD
- Councilor Goll - Parks/DPMI
- Councilor Lopus - DPW/Refuse
- Councilor Pecora - Accounts and Finance
- Councilor Proper - Fire/Ambulance

6. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

7. **PETITION AND HEAR VISITORS:**

8. **OLD BUSINESS:**

9. **NEW BUSINESS:**

APPROVE PAYMENT TO OTIS ELEVATOR COMPANY: OECD

By_____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38061

Bradford, Pa. September 9, 2025

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford, that the proper officers hereby approve payment of \$1,500.00 from the OECD's Habgood Center Operations account to Otis Elevator Company to troubleshoot, diagnosis, survey and/or make minor repairs to the elevator at 20 Russell Boulevard.

APPOINT JAHMAIR MCKENZIE AS A TEMPORARY FIREFIGHTER/EMT: FIRE/AMBULANCE

By_____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38062

Bradford, Pa. September 9, 2025

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford that per recommendation from Fire Chief Brett Butler, the proper officers hereby authorize the appointment of Jahmair Mckenzie as a temporary Firefighter/EMT, effective Sept. 3, 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this appointment is to cover for a member off on an injury.

APPOINT GABRIEL GREENE AS A TEMPORARY FIREFIGHTER/EMT: FIRE/AMBULANCE

By_____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38063

Bradford, Pa. September 9, 2025

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford that per recommendation from Fire Chief Brett Butler, the proper officers hereby authorize the appointment of Gabriel Greene as a temporary Firefighter/EMT, effective Sept. 3, 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this appointment is to cover for a member off on an injury.

APPROVE PAYMENT TO A.W. PANTUSO HVAC, LLC: FIRE/AMBULANCE

By_____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38064

Bradford, Pa. September 9, 2025

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford, the proper officers hereby approve payment of \$1,795.00 from General Fund (01) Account (409.373) to A.W. Pantuso HVAC, LLC for hot water tank replacement.

APPROVE PAYMENT TO RINK SYSTEMS INC.: PARKS

By_____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38065

Bradford, Pa. September 9, 2025

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford, the proper officers hereby approve payment of \$2,514.00 from General Fund (01) Account (454.250) to Rink Systems for ice rink paint.

APPROVE PAYMENT TO F.A.S.T. OF THE ALLEGHENY MOUNTAINS: FIRE

By_____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38066

Bradford, Pa. September 9, 2025

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford, the proper officers hereby approve payment of \$2,815.00 from General Fund (01) Account (411.375) to F.A.S.T. of the Allegheny Mountains for annual preventative maintenance.

APPOINT CHRISTOPHER SPAICH AS A TEMPORARY LIEUTENANT: FIRE/AMBULANCE

By_____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38067

Bradford, Pa. September 9, 2025

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford that per recommendation from Fire Chief Brett Butler, the proper officers hereby authorize the appointment of Christopher Spaich as a temporary Lieutenant, effective Sept. 9, 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this appointment is to cover for a member off on an injury and all Civil Service Commission requirements have been met.

**AUTHORIZE THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO APPLY FOR STMP PHASE III FUNDING GRANT
FOR A HOME RULE STUDY COMMISSION CONSULTANT: A/F**

By _____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38068

Bradford, Pa. September 9, 2025

WHEREAS THE *City of Bradford* will be undertaking a project under the Strategic Management Planning Program for a Home Rule Study Commission Consultant.

AND

WHEREAS THE City Council of the City of Bradford wishes to participate in said project.

AND WHEREAS THE Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development makes available grants-in-aid to such projects through the Strategic Management Planning Program,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Bradford hereby authorizes the City Administrator to make application for such a grant on our behalf.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Bradford hereby allocates local resources in the amount of \$10,000 to said project.

APPROVE PAYMENT TO AMERICAN FLOOR MATS: FIRE

By _____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38069

Bradford, Pa. September 9, 2025

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford, the proper officers hereby approve payment of \$1,284.05 from General Fund (01) Account (411.740) to American Floor Mats for gym flooring.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this purchase will be funded by grant money.

APPROVE PAYMENT TO FLOORING INC.: FIRE

By _____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38070

Bradford, Pa. September 9, 2025

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford, the proper officers hereby approve payment of \$1,211.97 from General Fund (01) Account (411.740) to Flooring Inc. for gym flooring.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this purchase will be funded by grant money.

APPROVE PAYMENT TO ROGUE FITNESS: FIRE

By_____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38071

Bradford, Pa. September 9, 2025

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford, the proper officers hereby approve payment of \$1,640.00 from General Fund (01) Account (411.740) to Rogue Fitness for gym equipment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this purchase will be funded by grant money.

APPROVE PAYMENT TO TITAN FITNESS: FIRE

By_____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38072

Bradford, Pa. September 9, 2025

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford, the proper officers hereby approve payment of \$4,247.67 from General Fund (01) Account (411.740) to Titan Fitness for gym equipment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this purchase will be funded by grant money.

APPROVE PAYMENT TO GMWD FITNESS: FIRE

By_____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38073

Bradford, Pa. September 9, 2025

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford, the proper officers hereby approve payment of \$3,038.86 from General Fund (01) Account (411.740) to GMWD Fitness for gym equipment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this purchase will be funded by grant money.

ACCEPT PROPOSAL PURE TECH LLC TO INSTALL DECORATIVE ARMS AND LAMPS ON THE LIGHT POLES ON MAIN STREET AND FESTIVAL WAY: OECD

By_____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38074

Bradford, Pa. September 9, 2025

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford, that

WHEREAS, as a part of the Downtown Historic District Streetscape Project, the City of Bradford used CDBG funds to purchase decorative arms and lights for Main Street (from Festival Way to East Main Street) and Festival Way; and,

WHEREAS, Pure Tech LLC has offered to supply labor and lift equipment to remove the old lights and install the new arms and lights on fourteen light poles for a cost of \$5,297.00.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the proper officers of the City of Bradford hereby accept the proposal from Pure Tech LLC in the amount of \$5,297.00 to install the new arms/lights with payment to be shared 50% by the City of Bradford and the Office of Economic and Community Development.

AUTHORIZE THE PROPER OFFICERS OF THE CITY OF BRADFORD TO EXECUTE CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 WITH BOB CUMMINS CONSTRUCTION CO. FOR THE CALLAHAN PARK RECREATION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT-PHASE 2: OECD

By_____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38075

Bradford, Pa. September 9, 2025

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford, that

WHEREAS, on May 13, 2025, the City of Bradford awarded a contract to Bob Cummins Construction Co. in the amount of \$608,592.00 for the Callahan Park Recreation Improvements Project-Phase 2; and,

WHEREAS, on July 22, 2025, the City of Bradford approved Change Order No. 1, increasing the contact amount to \$615,472.00.

WHEREAS, at the request of the City, Bob Cummins Construction proposed to install a concrete approach on the pool house side of the foot bridge for a cost of \$4,000.00 to be added to the contract under Change Order No. 2; and,

WHEREAS, Change Order No. 2 increases the contract amount from \$615,472.00 to 619,472.00.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the proper officers of the City of Bradford are hereby authorized to execute Change Order No. 2 for the Callahan Park Recreation Improvements Project-Phase 2.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the additional cost will be paid with CDBG, DCNR, CEAP and other funding available for project costs.

APPROVE PAYMENT TO CLOSES LUMBER: OECD

By_____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38076

Bradford, Pa. September 9, 2025

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford, that the proper officers hereby approve payment to Closes Lumber in the amount of \$4,181.26, for the purchase of siding and related materials, to be paid from the Rental Properties Account, for the property located at 10-12 State Street, Bradford, PA.

APPROVE PAYMENT TO ACE HARDWARE & LUMBER OF BRADFORD: OECD

By_____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38077

Bradford, Pa. September 9, 2025

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford, that the proper officers hereby approve payment to Ace Hardware & Lumber of Bradford in the amount of \$1,295.27, to be paid from the Chestnut Street Property Account, for the purchase of doors for the Microtech Knives, Inc. facility.

PERMISSION FOR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO APPLY FOR THE T-MOBILE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM GRANT: A/F

By_____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38078

Bradford, Pa. September 9, 2025

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford, that the proper officers hereby authorize permission for the City Administrator to apply for the T-Mobile Improvement Program Grant in the amount of \$1,125.00. The funds will be used to update the credit card readers in the treasurer's office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City will be matching the grant amount.

AUTHORIZE THE FILING OF A REDEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE CAPITAL PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION TO THE PENNSYLVANIA OFFICE OF THE BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,000,000 FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE KESSEL ATHLETIC COMPLEX: OECD

By _____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38079

Bradford, Pa. September 9, 2025

WHEREAS, the City of Bradford is working with the University of Pittsburgh at Bradford to make improvements to the Kessel Athletic Complex; and

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Office of the Budget is currently accepting applications for the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program; and

WHEREAS, in order to receive the Redevelopment Assistance Program Grant, the City of Bradford must prepare and submit the grant application to the Pennsylvania Office of the Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the proper officers of the City of Bradford hereby authorize the submission of a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program Grant application in the amount of \$2,000,000 for improvements to the Kessel Athletic Complex.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the proper officers of the City of Bradford are hereby authorized to execute all documents necessary for the submission of the grant application; and upon approval, are authorized to execute a grant agreement and all other documents necessary to receive the grant.

AUTHORIZE THE FILING OF A REDEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE CAPITAL PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION TO THE PENNSYLVANIA OFFICE OF THE BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,000,000 FOR RENOVATION OF 2 NORTH CENTER STREET: OECD

By _____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38080

Bradford, Pa. September 9, 2025

WHEREAS, the City of Bradford is working with Universal Primary Care to renovate a building located at 2 North Center Street in the City of Bradford; and

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Office of the Budget is currently accepting applications for the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program; and

WHEREAS, in order to receive the Redevelopment Assistance Program Grant, the City of Bradford must prepare and submit the grant application to the Pennsylvania Office of the Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the proper officers of the City of Bradford hereby authorize the submission of a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program Grant application in the amount of \$3,000,000 for renovation of 2 North Center Street, Bradford, PA.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the proper officers of the City of Bradford are hereby authorized to execute all documents necessary for the submission of the grant application; and upon approval, are authorized to execute a grant agreement and all other documents necessary to receive the grant.

AUTHORIZE THE FILING OF A REDEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE CAPITAL PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION TO THE PENNSYLVANIA OFFICE OF THE BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,100,000 FOR THE NEW CITY OF BRADFORD POLICE STATION: OECD

By _____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38081

Bradford, Pa. September 9, 2025

WHEREAS, the City of Bradford is working with the City of Bradford Police Department to make building renovations to the New City of Bradford Police Station; and

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Office of the Budget is currently accepting applications for the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program; and

WHEREAS, in order to receive the Redevelopment Assistance Program Grant, the City of Bradford must prepare and submit the grant application to the Pennsylvania Office of the Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the proper officers of the City of Bradford hereby authorize the submission of a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program Grant application in the amount of \$1,100,000 for building renovations to the New City of Bradford Police Station.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the proper officers of the City of Bradford are hereby authorized to execute all documents necessary for the submission of the grant application; and upon approval, are authorized to execute a grant agreement and all other documents necessary to receive the grant.