



City of Bradford

Council Meeting Agenda



SEPTEMBER 8, 2026

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. 25th meeting
5. **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:** For the month of August 2026
 - 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:**

**AUTHORIZE TRANSFER OF GENERAL FUND (01) MONIES TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUND (18) :
A/F**

By_____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38456

Bradford, Pa. September 8, 2026.

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford, that the proper officers hereby authorize the transfer of the following monies from the General Fund (01) Account to a Capital Reserve (18) Account.

TRANSFER FROM:	FUND (01)	(492.600)	\$130,000.00
TRANSFER TO:	FUND (18)	(387.160)	\$130,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this transfer of ICE 287G grant money will be in a separate account and will provide clear tracking of grant funds.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BRADFORD APPROVING A STIPULATION TO SETTLE AND DISCONTINUE THE ASSESSMENT APPEAL WITH BRADFORD MOTEL ASSOCIATES, INC., AND MCKEAN COUNTY BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS: A/F

By_____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38457

Bradford, Pa. September 8, 2026

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

WHEREAS, Bradford Motel Associates has filed an assessment appeal concerning the assessed value of its real property with the McKean County Board of Assessment Appeals; and

WHEREAS, the assessment appeal involves real property located within the City of Bradford and, therefore, affects the real estate tax revenues of the City; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Bradford, McKean County, Pennsylvania, that the City hereby approves the Stipulation to Settle and Discontinue Assessment Appeal between Bradford Motel Associates and the McKean County Board of Assessment Appeals, subject to the terms and conditions contained therein.

APPROVE PAYMENT TO I.D BOOTH FOR RENOVATIONS AT 26 PARK STREET: OECD

By_____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38458

Bradford, Pa. September 8, 2026

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford, that the proper officers hereby approve payment to I.D Booth. in the amount of \$1,601.16 from the Rental Property account for the purchase of bathroom fixtures for the renovation of 26 Park Street.

**AUTHORIZE THE FILING OF A HOME PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION WITH THE
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR OWNER-OCCUPIED
HOUSING REHABILITATION IN THE CITY OF BRADFORD: OECD**

By _____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38459

Bradford, Pa. September 8, 2026

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford, that the City of Bradford authorizes the filing of an application for HOME Program funds with the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED), Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

WHEREAS, the City of Bradford is desirous of obtaining funds from DCED for affordable housing activities fundable under Title II of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12701 et seq) and the implementing regulations at 24 C.F.R. Part 92.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a housing need exists that has been identified in the local or state consolidated Plan and the proposed housing activity addresses this need.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that City of Bradford has conducted the required citizen participation process.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Bradford will assure provision of the other necessary funds to make the activity feasible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Bradford will reimburse the Commonwealth for any expenditures found by the DCED to be ineligible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriate officer of the City of Bradford is directed to execute a certificate attesting to the adoption of this Resolution and to furnish a copy of the Resolution to the Department.

**REJECT ALL BIDS SUBMITTED ON AUGUST 25 2026 FOR THE 2026 RESURFACING PROJECT:
STREETS**

By _____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38460

Bradford, Pa. September 8, 2026

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford that the proper officers are hereby authorized to reject all bids received on August 25th, 2026 for the 2026 Resurfacing Project for the paving of city streets.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, there will be another bid request at a time TBD.

**APPROVE PHARE GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,300.00 TO FRED SIMONS FOR EMERGENCY
HOME REPAIRS AT 147 PLEASANT STREET: OECD**

By _____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38461

Bradford, Pa. September 8, 2026

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

WHEREAS, the City of Bradford has made emergency home repair grant funds available to City residents through the PHARE Program; and,

WHEREAS, the OECD solicits quotations from qualified contractors on behalf of the homeowner and recommends that the work be performed by the contractor providing the lowest acceptable quote for the work; and,

WHEREAS, the OECD recommends that PHARE funding in the amount of \$7,300.00 in the form of an emergency repair grant be provided to Fred Simons for the removal of deteriorated back porch and replace with a 4ft x 5ft porch with stairs and remove and replace shingles from back roof over bathroom at 147 Pleasant Street; and,

WHEREAS, Fred Simons will enter into a contract with Dream Builders Plus, Inc. in the amount of \$7,300.00 for the emergency home repair work.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Bradford hereby authorizes the proper officers of the City of Bradford to enter into a PHARE Emergency HOME Repair Grant Agreement with Fred Simons and further authorizes the OECD to make payments not to exceed \$7,300.00 to the homeowner and Dream Builders Plus, Inc. upon the inspection and approval of the completed work by OECD staff.

AUTHORIZE PERMISSION TO CHIEF BUTLER TO APPLY FOR RHTP RAPID RESPONSE STABILIZATION GRANT THROUGH THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES: FIRE

By _____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38462

Bradford, Pa. September 8, 2026

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford that the proper officers are hereby authorize Permission to chief Butler to apply for the Rural Health Transformation Plan Rapid Response Stabilization Grant through the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services for ambulance equipment for up to the amount of \$325,000.00.

AUTHORIZED PERMISSION TO CHIEF BUTLER TO APPLY FOR THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES GRANT THROUGH THE PENNSYLVANIA DCED: FIRE

By _____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38463

Bradford, Pa. September 8, 2026

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford that the proper officers are hereby authorize Permission to chief Butler to apply for the EDCDI Grant through the Pennsylvania Department and

APPOINT MICHAEL CAMPOGIANI AS CAPTAIN: FIRE

By_____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38464

Bradford, Pa. September 8, 2026

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford that per recommendation from Fire Chief Butler, the proper officers hereby authorize the appointment of Michael Campogiani as Captain, effective September 9, 2026

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, he met all requirements and is on a list of certified by the Civil Service Commission.

PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE FOR CIVIL SERVICE TESTING FOR ENTRY LEVEL FIREFIGHTER TESTING: FIRE

By_____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38465

Bradford, Pa. September 8, 2026

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford, that pursuant to a request from Fire Chief Brett Butler and authorization from the City of Bradford Civil Service Commission, the proper officers hereby grant permission to establish an entry level/recruit candidate list for the firefighter positions under the requirements of the Civil Service.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this will establish a new list and replace the current list, which has been exhausted.

APPOINT ROBERT BRINSKY AS LIEUTENANT: FIRE

By_____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38466

Bradford, Pa. September 8, 2026

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford that per recommendation from Fire Chief Butler, the proper officers hereby authorize the appointment of Robert Brinsky as Lieutenant, effective September 9, 2026

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, he met all requirements and is on a list of certified by the Civil Service Commission.

AUTHORIZE TRANSFER OF CAPITAL RESERVE MONIES TO GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT: A/F

By_____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38467

Bradford, Pa. September 8, 2026.

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford, that the proper officers hereby authorize the transfer of the following monies from the Capital Reserve (18) Account to the General Fund (01) Account for a PLGIT purchase. This purchase is being reimbursed by donated monies.

TRANSFER FROM:	FUND (18)	(411.200)	\$ 638.00
TRANSFER TO:	FUND (01)	(411.200)	\$ 638.00

APPROVE PAYMENT TO T & S CONTRACTING: OECD

By_____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38468

Bradford, Pa. September 8, 2026.

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford, that the proper officers hereby approve payment of \$5,940.00 from the OECD's Old City Hall Account, \$2,919.00 from the Chestnut Street MTC Account and \$1,395.00 from the Rental Properties Account to T & S Contracting for cleaning, crack filling and seal coating asphalt parking lots.

**APPROVE PAYMENT TO KEYSTONE TACTICAL FIREARMS & MACHINE LLC:
POLICE**

By_____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38469

Bradford, Pa. September 8, 2026.

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford, that the proper officers hereby approve payment of \$1.370.00 from the Capital Reserve (18) Account (410.742) to Keystone Tactical Firearms & Machine, LLC for Police Equipment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this purchase will be made through a federal grant.

**RESOLUTION TO RATIFY AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BRADFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT AND U.S.
IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT (ICE) ON JANUARY 16, 2026.: POLICE**

By_____

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

No. 38470

Bradford, Pa. September 8, 2026.

RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Bradford, that the action taken by Mayor Tom Riel on January 16, 2026, regarding the execution of a Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Bradford Police Department and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) 287 (g) Task Force Model is hereby ratified, confirmed, and approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the proper officers of the City of Bradford are hereby authorized to execute and carry out the Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Bradford Police Department and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), together with any documents necessary to effectuate the terms of said agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Memorandum of Agreement shall be maintained as part of the official records of the City of Bradford.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.