DUPONT BOROUGH
LUZERNE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
600 Chestnut Street
Dupont, Pennsylvania 18641

MAYOR: Elaine Lello
COUNCIL
Mark Kowalczyk, President | Joseph Jones, Vice President
Joseph Karkut | Robert Price | Bruce Knick
BOROUGH MANAGER: Tony Guariglia, PhD
SOLICITOR: Eric Dingle, Esq.
ENGINEERING: CNA Associates

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

October 13, 2026 | 6:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

4. Announcement of Executive Session

Council met in executive session at 5:30 p.m. on October 13, 2026, to discuss personnel issues.

5. Approval of Minutes

Motion to adopt and file the minutes of the September 8, 2026, regular meeting.

6. Correspondence

Motion to accept correspondence.

7. Approval of Bills

Motion to approve bills for payment.

8. Appointment of Part-Time Police

Motion to appoint part-time police from October 13, 2026, through the next regular meeting of Council, with no guarantee of work.

9. Reports

Treasurer; Tax Collector; Mayor; Police; Solicitor; Engineer; Fire Department; EMS; EMA; Code Enforcement; Crime Watch; Landbank; Compost; Council President.

10. Acceptance of Reports

Motion to accept reports.

11. Old Business

Council Update

12. New Business

A. First Reading of the Proposed 2027 Borough Budget

Presentation and first reading of the proposed budget for January 1 through December 31, 2027, by the Borough Manager or designated presenter.

Review estimated revenues and expenditures by fund, departmental requests, wages and benefits, capital purchases, debt obligations, reserves, and any proposed tax or fee changes. Council discussion, requested revisions, and public comment on the proposed budget.

Motion to authorize advertisement of the proposed 2027 Borough budget and direct the Borough Secretary, in coordination with the Borough Manager, to publish notice of its availability in a newspaper of general circulation and keep the proposed budget on file for public inspection for at least ten days at the Borough office, 600 Chestnut Street, Dupont, during regular business hours, before final adoption.

Motion by: _____ Second by: _____

Roll Call Vote: _____ Motion: Carried / Denied

Final budget adoption and the applicable tax levy action will be considered at a subsequent public meeting. Final budget adoption is to occur no later than December 31, 2026. This first reading does not constitute final adoption.

B. Resolution No. 10 of 2026 - DPW Truck

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 10 of 2026, authorizing the Borough of Dupont to submit a Statewide Local Share Account grant application to the Commonwealth Financing Authority in the amount of $50,000.00 toward the purchase of a 2027 Isuzu NRR equipped with an 8-yard rear-loading packer for the Department of Public Works, supplementing the existing $100,000.00 grant award, and further authorizing Mark Kowalczyk, Council President, and Tony Guariglia, Borough Manager, to execute all documents and agreements necessary to apply for, obtain, and administer the grant.

Motion by: _____ Second by: _____

Roll Call Vote: _____ Motion: Carried / Denied

C. Resolution No. 11 of 2026 - USHydrations Improvement Project

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 11 of 2026, authorizing the Borough of Dupont to submit a Luzerne County Local Share Account grant application to the Commonwealth Financing Authority on behalf of USHydrations in the amount of $975,000.00 for the acquisition and installation of a new automated palletizing system at its facility at 164 Commerce Road in Dupont Borough, and further authorizing Tony Guariglia, Borough Manager, and Joseph Jones, Council Vice President, to execute all documents and agreements necessary to apply for, obtain, and administer the grant.

Motion by: _____ Second by: _____

Roll Call Vote: _____ Motion: Carried / Denied

D. Resolution No. 12 of 2026 - Delta Taskforce 1

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 12 of 2026, approving the Borough of Dupont's participation in Delta Taskforce 1 with Hughestown Borough and other participating municipalities for the sharing of police resources, personnel, equipment, training, and other law-enforcement resources, appointing the Police Chief as the Borough's representative, and further authorizing the appropriate municipal officials to execute the Intergovernmental Police Services and Resource Sharing Agreement and all documents necessary for participation.

Motion by: _____ Second by: _____

Roll Call Vote: _____ Motion: Carried / Denied

E. Resolution No. 13 of 2026 - Walnut and Hemlock Streets Pocket Park

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 13 of 2026, authorizing the Borough of Dupont to submit a Statewide grant application to the Commonwealth Financing Authority in the amount of $235,755.00 for phase two of the Walnut and Hemlock Streets Community Pocket Park and Accessible Recreation Enhancement Projects, and further authorizing Mark Kowalczyk, Council President, and Anthony Guariglia, Borough Manager, to execute all documents and agreements necessary to facilitate and assist in obtaining the grant.

Motion by: _____ Second by: _____

Roll Call Vote: _____ Motion: Carried / Denied

F. Take Police-Vehicle Matter from the Table

Motion to take from the table the previously tabled matter concerning the disposition of the Borough's two former police vehicles, one truck and one passenger vehicle, and resume consideration of that matter.

Motion by: _____ Second by: _____

Roll Call Vote: _____ Motion: Carried / Denied

G. Surplus Police Vehicles

Motion to declare the Borough's two former police vehicles - one truck and one passenger vehicle - as surplus property and, if Council determines that either or both vehicles should be sold, to authorize the Borough Manager to pursue the sale of one or both vehicles on behalf of the Borough, including obtaining valuations, soliciting offers or bids, advertising as required, and completing all necessary administrative steps in accordance with applicable law and the advice of the Borough Solicitor, with final sale terms subject to any further Council approval required by law.

Motion by: _____ Second by: _____

Roll Call Vote: _____ Motion: Carried / Denied

13. Matters from Residents

14. Matters from Council and Mayor

15. Adjournment