

BOROUGH OF EDDYSTONE
BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
September 8, 2025 @ 7:00 PM
Minutes Approved @ Council Meeting on 10/14/2025

Please Note: These minutes were transcribed from the Eddystone meeting video by Notta AI and edited for formatting by Jennifer Hoff, Borough Manager.

The Borough of Eddystone Borough Council held the September 8, 2025 Regular Council Meeting with the following members present: President Mandy Hall, VP Beth Gross and Council members Bill Bolton, Bill Stewart and Rachael Walker. Absent: Michael Bannon, Randy Perry. Mayor Hughes and Chief Mokshefsky was also present. Professional Services present were Borough Solicitor Tim Possenti, Brinker Simpson and Kelly Engineers, JP Kelly.

President Hall called the meeting to order followed by Roll Call and then Prayer by Mayor Hughes.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

10/14/2025: Executive Meeting

10/14/2025: Regular Council Meeting

CALL MEETING TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

- Roll call completed; meeting opened following an executive session to contract and personnel issues.
- Invocation delivered; no formal presentations on the agenda.

Announcements:

None

Mayor's Report:

- Oct 4: Senior Health Fair
- Oct 13: Free Estate planning session at Methodist Church
- Oct 18: Eddystone Has Talent Night, Eddystone Elementary
- Oct 25: Mental Health event, Lighthouse Hall
- Nov 6: Veterans Luncheon; flyers forthcoming

Labor and Union Updates:

- FOP: No dates supplied by FOP.

PRESENTATIONS

None

POLICE CHIEF REPORT

- Chief Mokshefsky gave the Police Report and reports for Fire, no EMS report provided.

6. Discussion/Behind the Scenes

7. Council Updates

8. Public Forum

Unidentified: Talked about parking and occupancy issues.

Faith Ferebee: Dr. Moler projects, teamsters contract

(Minor) Wylie: Talked about Eddystone Youth Basketball coming back.

PROFESSIONAL REPORTS:

Brinker Simpson Financial reports

Code report

Engineers report

Fire/EMS report

Health report

Police report

Health report

Solicitor report

Professionals Report, Brinker Simpson:

Professionals Report, Kelly Engineering: Infrastructure and Capital Projects

- HVAC for Lighthouse Hall (LHH) Contract bids are will be opened and ready for approval at October 13 meeting,
- Flooring contract documents for LHH executed and submitted to OHCD
- 10 Acre Waterfront parcel, JP Kelly and Dr. Moler attended a DEP Zoom meeting on the waterfront site and DEP / Costal Division recommended that Eddystone seek funds for initial planning, they also suggested Eddystone do an Environmental Resource Map, in preparation for such applications, which Kelly & Moler will present a scope for soon.
- Baldwin Towers: seeking zoning relief on parking and height of building. Pending review.
- Sewer cleaning schedule to include 9th Street. This is the 3rd year of the sewer cleaning. Gas line installation has uncovered 4 sink holes starting. Kelly to investigate.
- Second Street: met with Secretary of Transportation on the project. Spoke about two consecutive grants

Public Safety Reports

- Fire (August 2025): no report supplied.
- EMS (August 2025): Activity totals presented; EMS report accepted.
- Police (August 2025): Activity totals presented; Police report accepted.

Ordinances and Legislative Actions

- Nuisance Property Abatement Ordinance 683-2025: Purpose: Address properties with repeated public safety disturbances or disproportionate municipal resource use. Key elements:
- Definition: Three or more qualifying police responses or ordinance enforcement actions within rolling 12 months, excluding good-faith emergency calls (e.g., domestic violence, sexual assault, medical).
- Process: Notice of determination; right to hearing within 15 business days; hearing within 30 days; borough burden by preponderance of evidence.

- Abatement plan: Security, lighting, lawful lease enforcement, repairs, communication conditions.
- Penalties: Up to \$1,000/day for non-compliance; no penalties for seeking emergency services.
- Non-discrimination: Compliant with constitutional and civil rights laws; severability; effective upon enactment; supersedes prior related ordinances. Approved.

Sewer Lateral Ordinance Amendment 684-2025:

- Change: Validity of acceptable sewer lateral testing extended to one year to allow reuse if a transfer/settlement falls through. Approved. Note: PennVest offers low-interest homeowner loans for lateral repairs/rehab; separate from warranty-style monthly plans.

Action Items:

Motion: Approval of Minutes from the August 11, 2025 Regular Council Meeting.
Tabled

Motion: To approve the Treasurer's Report, including bank reconciliations for the month of August 2025 as presented by Brinker Simpson.

Motion by Councilperson Walker, second by Councilperson Gross. Passes 5-0

Motion: To accept the BCO report for the month of August 2025. Motion tabled.

Motion: To accept the Engineers report as presented by JP Kelly for the month of August 2025

Motion by Councilperson Bolton, second by Councilperson Gross. Passes 5-0

Motion: To accept the Fire Report for the month of June and August 2025 as presented by Chief Mokshefsky for Fire Chief Allen Reeves III. Motion for June tabled.

August Motion accepted. Motion by Councilperson Gross, second by Councilperson Bolton. Passes 5-0

Motion: To accept the EMS Report for the month of August 2025 as presented by Chief Mokshefsky

Motion tabled.

Motion: To accept Police Report for the month of August 2025 as presented by Chief Mokshefsky

Motion by Councilperson Walker, second by Councilperson Bolton. Passes 5-0

Motion: To accept the Code Department reports for the months of July and August 2025 as presented.
Motion tabled.

Motion: To accept the August Health Inspection report.

Motion tabled.

Motion: To make Jennifer Hoff, Eddystone Borough Manager, the Eddystone Right to Know Manager

Motion by Councilperson Gross, second by Councilperson Walker. Passes 5-0

Motion: To make Jennifer Hoff, Eddystone Borough Manager, a signer on the Propel Credit Union account (formally BHCU).

Motion by Councilperson Gross, second by Councilperson Bolton. Passes 5-0

Motion: To make Jennifer Hoff, Eddystone Borough Manager, a signer on the Eddystone Sharon Bank account

Motion by Councilperson Gross, second by Councilperson Walker. Passes 5-0

Motion: To advertise for part time Police Department Turnkey worker job. Rate to be \$18 per hour.

Motion by Councilperson Gross, second by Councilperson Bolton. Passes 5-0

Motion: to hire Lynda AitAmmar as a PRN crossing guard. Rate to be \$18 per hour.

Motion by Councilperson Gross, second by Councilperson Bolton. Passes 5-0

Motion: To accept the resignation of Eddystone Recreation Board member Teresa Corcoran.

Motion by Councilperson Walker, second by Councilperson Gross. Passes 5-0

Motion: To start a Citizen Committee on the proposed Eddystone Park project to review plans.

Motion by Councilperson Walker, second by Councilperson Bolton. Passes 5-0

Side Note: want to serve on the Eddystone Park committee, please email manager@EddystoneBoro.org.

11. Motion to Adjourn

Motion by Councilperson Gross, second by Councilperson Bolton. Passes 5-0