

**Rankin Borough**

# Rankin Borough Council Agenda Meeting Minutes May 13, 2025

## **Call to Order:**

The President of Council calls the meeting to order at  
7:04pm

**Absent With Cause:**  
**Walter Sewell**

## **Roll Call:**

Glenn Ford  
Aaron Gibson Jr.  
Walter Sewell  
Arlena Strong  
Gaye Velar  
Cinnamon Coprich

## ***Pledge of Allegiance***

**Announcement:** The Meeting is being recorded only for the transcription of the minutes.

## **Presentation:**

**Agenda:** A motion to approve the agenda as presented. Moved by Gaye Velar second by Glenn Ford

## **Minutes:**

A motion to approve the meeting minutes from the council meetings held April 15, 2025 as presented, moved by Glenn Ford and seconded by Aaron Gibson.

## **Public Comment on Agenda Items: (3 Minute Limit)**

## **New Business:**

1. A motion to ratify a resolution to appoint the Borough Manager (whoever it is at the current time) to Chief Administrative Officer of it's Police & Non-Uniformed Pension Plan. motioned by Glenn Ford and seconded by Aaron Gibson, all in favor.
2. Motion to approve the resolution (Appendix II- Authorized Official Resolution for Greenways Trails and Recreation Program) Grant of \$250,000.00 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for the Rankin Recreation Site Improvements Phase II. Motion by Glenn Ford and seconded by Aaron Gibson, all in favor.
3. Motion to table Ordinance No. 587, authorizing the condemnation and taking by eminent domain of parcel of property at Block and Lot 178-S-345 to allow for continued negotiations with the property owner to take place before the next meeting. Motion by Glenn Ford and seconded by Aaron Gibson, all in favor
4. A motion to pay the bills as presented, in the amount of \$69,498.99. Motion by Glenn Ford and seconded by Aaron Gibson, all in favor.



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### **Old Business- No old Business**

#### **Committee Reports:**

- *Solicitor's Report-None*
- *Engineer Report- read by Arlena Strong*
- *DPW Report- read by David Miller (announcements only)*
- *Police Regionalization Report -No Reports*
- *Mayor's Report -read by Mayor McDonald*
- *EMS Report - read by Cinnamon Coprich*
- *Fire Report -read by Aaron Gibson*
- *Code Report- read by Terri Lawson*
- *Borough Manger- read by Terri Lawson...spoke on Wild Life, RAD 24 audit*

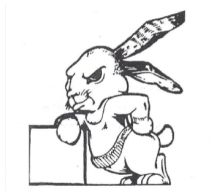
#### **Announcements:**

- (RRR) Rankin Refuse Reductions coming soon.
- Allegheny Clean Ways will be adding beautification to Rankin Borough by cleaning our streets throughout the remainder of the year.
- Tree Pittsburgh will be implementing the Rankin Orchard tree planting on May 17, 2025, from 9am-12 noon ( Volunteers welcome).
- WHIC (WH Impact center) in collaboration with Rankin Christian Center and Mayor McDonald will host a Juneteenth celebration on June 12, 2025.
- Rankin "Rodeo", Kick "Bullying" Kickball Tournament & Rankin Community Day, August 16, 2025.
- Election Day is May 20, 2025, do not forget to come out and **VOTE!**
- The Rankin Borough Building will be closed on May 26, 2025, in observation of Memorial Day.

#### **Public Comment:** Please State Name & Address (3 Minute Limit)

William ( Lucky) Price- asked the mayor, how can Braddock stop her from being on the commission, when that is a Rankin Council decision?

Mary Rego- Asked will Allegheny Cleanways be coming to Fleet St?, she was told yes, and given the status on some of what has already been retrieved ( 12 TVs and 15 trash bags, and tires).



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Honefa Mohammed - Addressed concern regarding rodent problem in the sewer in front of her home on Oak Way, Rankin.

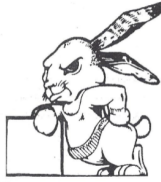
John Gilroy- Inquired about the petition regarding Chartiers Ave going onto Railroad Alley, he stated this access road was put in without input from residence.

Robin White- Commented on trash in the back alley behind 5th Street, also mentioned that the borough having an outside “message board” would be helpful in sharing information on upcoming events with the community.

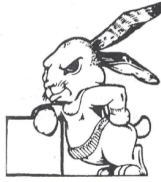
Edward (3rd Street) Complained of trash on the street, and opened garbage at his neighbors at 219 3rd street.

Lee ( House of Wax)- stated he would recoup tires for a project his organization is working on.

**Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 p.m., the motion was made by Glenn Ford and second by Aaron Gibson , all in favor.



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