

ISSUES, REVIEW & FINANCE WORK SESSION

October 28, 2025

A special meeting of the St. Clair Borough Council was held to review issues and finance on Tuesday, October 28, 2025, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

In attendance were Council Members Joann Brennan, Cheryl Dempsey, Norm Diehl, Judy Stednitz-Julian, Tony Klazas, Patrick McCord, President Thomas Dempsey and Mayor Tomko.

Others in attendance included Borough Manager Roland Price, Treasurer Carol Sutzko, Electric Light Superintendent Bob Petrozino, Street Superintendent Kevin Dempsey, Acting Police Chief Brad Blanner, Barbara Artz, Vaughn Vesay, Mike Petrozino, Tom Kelly, Blake Herndan, John Zachur and Tony Sylvester.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Council candidate Tom Kelly wished good luck to all candidates and congratulations to newly appointed Councilman Patrick McCord. Council also wished everyone good luck.

Mayor Tomko declared November 2025 to be "Mettam Brothers Lumber Company Month" with a proclamation in honor of their 140th anniversary in business. He added that there will be an Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service on Sunday, November 23 at 5 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church. He requested this be placed in the newsletter. He advised that the Resolution opposing BRADS Landfill and the Ordinance regulating data centers and to preserve the quality of life for the borough that was presented by Mrs. Portland at the last council meeting be considered by council and given to the solicitor to review. He also inquired about the tree on the property that is neighboring the Cheripka property. Borough Manager will investigate this situation.

Councilman Diehl asked if we could share the proposed ordinance with surrounding communities, Mayor Tomko stated that once it was a passed ordinance and written in the law books, anyone has access to it. Council member C. Dempsey added they were probably already looking into this type of ordinance.

Treasurer Carol Sutzko said the Borough's finances are doing good.

Borough Manager Roland Price reviewed his notes as follows.

A copy of the Budget Hearing schedule is attached for council's review.

Responses to the Game of Skills Ordinance have been received. Eight businesses have responded resulting in \$32,500 collected in revenue. One business failed to respond. A follow-up letter has been sent to them. Numerically numbered stickers must still be purchased and placed on each machine.

Interviews were held for the position of Assistant Electric Light Lineman. One applicant is still interested in the position which will be discussed in executive session.

The Compensation Time Policy is attached for review and possible adoption at the November Council meeting.

An executive session of council is requested to discuss personnel matters.

Council Member C. Dempsey inquired if there is a time limit extended to the business that hadn't responded yet. Council Member Klazas asked if the licensing was good for year. Manager Price said he will be on top of the business and yes, good for one year.

Council members Diehl and Brennan clarified the Compensation Policy details. Street Superintendent Kevin Dempsey asked for an executive session for personnel reasons.

Electric Light Superintendent Bob Petrozino revealed that the radar speed sign on East Hancock Street, that had been attached to the pole for approximately 10 years was found at the base of the pole, by the police, and eventually due to a mix up, was thrown in the garbage. With the help of the police, there is no proof of how this incident originally happened. Since it was acquired through a grant, he was questioning if it was under insurance or if we can get another one through a grant. Council member C. Dempsey mentioned that possibly Engineer Baldwin could acquire another grant for one. The cost is approximately \$6,000. Council commended Petrozino, Lineman Rudy Grubbs and PPL for a great job in restoring the power outage. Petrozino added that he has a great relationship with PPL and mentioned to them the potential issues with overgrown vegetation and the reliability of the aging power lines.

Acting Police Chief Brad Blanner requested an executive session to discuss personnel issues.

Councilman Diehl asked if Senate Bill 194 can be looked in to especially considering the costly expense to place an advertisement in the Pottsville Republican.

President Dempsey announced that Trick or Treat has been moved to Saturday, November 1 from 6 to 8 p.m. due to impending inclement weather.

The executive session began at 6:45 p.m. to discuss personnel matters.

The executive session ended, and the council meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Roland Price, Borough Manager

NOVEMBER COUNCIL MEETING**November 6, 2025**

The November monthly Council Meeting of the St. Clair Borough Council was held on Thursday, November 6, 2025, in Council Chambers, St. Clair Municipal Building, 16 S. Third Street, St. Clair. The meeting began at 6:30 p.m.

Answering the roll call were council members: Joann Brennan, Cheryl Dempsey, Norm Diehl, Judy Stednitz-Julian, Patrick McCord, Council President Thomas Dempsey and Mayor Tomko. Absent was Council Member Tony Klazas.

Also, present included Solicitor Ed Brennan, Borough Engineer Brian Baldwin, Borough Manager Roland Price, Treasurer Carol Sutzko, Acting Police Chief Brad Blanner, Fire Chief Frank Uhrin, Code Enforcement Officer Michelle Brestowski, Barbara Artz, Tom Kelly, John Zachar, Mike Petrozino, Blake Herndon, Mike Jackson, Joe Jusinski, and Vaughn Vesay.

Pledge of Allegiance

Council member Joann Brennan read the council prayer.

President Tom Dempsey thanked all the candidates who ran for council and congratulated those who were elected.

Copies of the minutes of the previous meetings have been given to borough council members and Mayor Tomko, are there any errors or corrections? If not, they stand approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Joe Jusinski was concerned when casting his vote, he felt obligated to vote for Stednitz-Julian or the community pool would close. He asked if

1.) Was it a lie?

2.) Will he now be blacklisted from the pool for speaking out, and

3.) Is this true? He feels he should not have been told that when in line to vote. Stednitz-Julian denied making that statement. Mayor Tomko stated that the pool was 70 years old and numerous council people have endeavored to keep the pool open, he will continue to do whatever he can to keep it open.

John Zacher also questioned the pool situation. He stated that data centers were being considered for surrounding municipalities, and that property was sold for a data center in New Castle Township. Discussion concerning data centers ensued. A sample ordinance was given to the solicitor to review. Solicitor Brennan stated that to amend the zoning ordinance was a lengthy process. Since there is no property within the borough boundaries, it doesn't warrant adopting an ordinance. Zacker wants to get surrounding communities involved in opposing data centers. Mayor Tomko encouraged council to support the proposed resolution opposing data centers in the area.

Mike Jackson congratulated the elected officials. He also spoke on behalf of his neighbor who apparently heard comments concerning the closing of the pool. He felt that it was an advantage of the candidate to use the tax payer public pool towards her campaign. He feels there should be an investigation because it wasn't fair to the other candidates to use this platform to her advantage. Going forward he encouraged the new council to continue to discuss the challenges of the electric system, the landfill, data centers and most importantly the police shortfall. He also congratulated Patrick McCord on being appointed to fill the late Bill Dempsey's seat on council for the remainder of the term.

MAYOR'S REPORT

1. As the holidays approach, residents are reminded to use designated drivers if planning to celebrate with the consumption of alcoholic beverages.
2. Residents should be aware of "porch thieves" as holiday deliveries increase and take all necessary steps to ensure a secure delivery of ordered goods.
3. Members of Borough Council are reminded as they enter into the budget process for fiscal year 2026 of the need for a full-time Code Enforcement Officer to ensure the quality of life for the residents of St. Clair by discouraging slum landlords from staying in or coming to St. Clair along with requiring delinquent property owners to maintain their properties. The citizens of St. Clair deserve no less. As we all know in this day and age code enforcement is just as necessary as law enforcement.

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, Albert Mettam who immigrated from Nottingham, England established Mettam Bros. Lumber Company in the Borough of St. Clair in 1885; and,

WHEREAS, five generations of the Mettam family has operated this business for 140 years; and,

WHEREAS, the Mettam family has contributed to the economic and civic life of the Borough of St. Clair with goods and services as well as employment opportunities for the people of St. Clair; and,

WHEREAS the great grandfather of the present generation of the Mettam family, Arch Mettam, was one of the founders of the Peoples Safe Deposit Bank in the Borough of St. Clair; and,

WHEREAS, the fifth generation of the Mettam family continues to contribute to the economic, civic, and social advancement of the Borough of St. Clair; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council, Borough Officials, and the citizens of St. Clair wish to congratulate the Mettam family for perpetuating the oldest continuous business in the Borough of St. Clair.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Richard E. Tomko, on this the 23rd day of October, 2025, do proclaim that the month of November 2025 be "Mettam Brothers Lumber Company Month" in the Borough of St. Clair.

Historical Note

The residents of St. Clair in 1850 were either immigrants from or had ancestry of English, German, Scotch-Irish, Welsh and Irish origins.

On a motion made by Diehl, seconded by C. Dempsey, to accept the report, approved.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

The Solicitor enlightened everyone by explaining that during the recent baseball World Series, the record setting Blue Jays pitcher, Yesavage, has ties to Schuylkill County, particularly to St. Clair through the Gargano family. An unusual Right to Know video request was processed with the assistance of Chief Blanner. A great amount of time was spent on this request which was denied. People look to obtain these videos to post on line, which is unlawful. The Comp Time Policy was completed and will be reviewed in executive session. The two Customer Owned Generation Ordinances are in the final stages of being reviewed by a third-party expert.

The Firehouse Grant seems to be more simplified than first anticipated. No paperwork beyond the \$400,000 is necessary.

The solicitor reviewed the list of conservatorships. Many are on the launch pad of being settled. (311 Broad Street, 601 Wade Road, 26 S. Front Street)

438 S. Front Street – Hearing later this month to approve the settlement.

30 Thompson Street – Hearing in October, the judge granted more time to address the improvements they need to make. Compliments to Code Officer Brestowski, Benesch and Jeff Farro for the work and expertise they provided to the case. The lender has now gotten involved. The next hearing will be in January. The Barn Street property has also begun the conservatorship process.

The Solicitor requested an executive session to discuss litigation matters.

On a motion by C. Dempsey, seconded by Brennan, the report was unanimously approved, and it was made part of the minutes by reference.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

On a motion made by C. Dempsey, seconded by Diehl, the report was unanimously approved, and it was made part of the minutes by reference.

Solicitor Brennan also reviewed the property owned by the estate of Pat Davies. Follow up next month.

Council Member Diehl questioned the solicitor about the process of the ordinance for the data center. The solicitor explained the unnecessary cumbersome process due to the fact that a data center cannot be built in the borough, it can be done, but it's not practical. Diehl wants to be sure that the St. Clair Borough follows the surrounding communities opposing the data centers regardless of the work involved. Mayor Tomko asked if we could adopt a resolution opposing a data center not only in St. Clair but in Schuylkill County, similar to the resolution opposing the landfill. The solicitor will draw up a resolution specific to the proposed data center in New Castle Township for the next council meeting.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

STREET DEPARTMENT REPORT – None

ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT REPORT

On a motion made by Diehl, seconded by McCord, the report was unanimously approved, and it was made part of the minutes by reference.

Council Member Diehl commended the Electric Light Department, fire police and fire departments on the great job on the recent power failure.

TREASURERS REPORT

Treasurer Carol Sutzko reviewed the report. She also presented the 3rd Quarter Report and the Swimming Pool Report.

On a motion made by C. Dempsey, seconded by Diehl, the report was unanimously approved, and it was made part of the minutes by reference.

TAX COLLECTORS REPORT – None.

POLICE REPORT

Acting Police Chief Blanner provided an oral report. Council Member Diehl is concerned for the lack of police on the force. President T. Dempsey commended Blanner on a job well done.

On a motion by Stednitz-Julian, seconded by C. Dempsey, the report was unanimously approved, and it was made part of the minutes by reference.

ZONING REPORT

On a motion by C. Dempsey, seconded by Brennan, the report was unanimously approved, and it was made part of the minutes by reference.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

On a motion by Brennan, seconded by C. Dempsey, the report was unanimously approved, and it was made part of the minutes by reference.

CODE DEPARTMENT REPORT

On a motion made by C. Dempsey, seconded by Diehl, the report was unanimously approved, and it was made part of the minutes by reference.

Council Member C. Dempsey thanked Brestowski for the work she recently assisted with her and Fire Chief Uhrin.

COMMUNICATIONS – No communications.

OLD BUSINESS

The motion to adopt the Compensation Policy for the non-union, non-uniform employees was tabled.

NEW BUSINESS

On a motion by Diehl, seconded by McCord to hire Braden Jones as a full-time police officer at a rate of \$34.09 per hour effective Monday, November 10, 2025, approved.

On a motion by Diehl, seconded by C. Dempsey to conditionally hire Bruce Kellman as an Assistant Electric Lineman at a rate of \$24.80 per hour, pending passing both a physical and criminal background checks, effective Monday, November 10, 2025, approved.

On a motion by Diehl, seconded by McCord to adopt the Resolution reaffirming the Borough of St. Clair's opposition to the ongoing operations of the BRADS Landfill and recognizing the community's right to clean air, pure and a safe environment (Resolution attached.), approved.

On a motion by McCord, seconded by C. Dempsey to appoint the Borough Manager and the Treasurer as the liaison with Berkheimer, the duly appointed collector of local taxes for the district, for the express purpose of sharing confidential tax information with the district for official purposes (Resolution attached.), approved.

On a motion by Diehl, seconded by McCord to hire Karlisa Nash as a crossing guard, approved.

On a motion by Diehl, seconded by Brennan to purchase an 8-foot box for the 2009 F-250 for a price not to exceed \$3,500.00, approved.

On a motion by C. Dempsey, seconded by Brennan, to authorize the proper borough officials to sign for the LSA-Statewide grant resolution for an electric bucket truck and a back hoe, approved.

Council President Dempsey called an executive session at 7:20 p.m. to discuss personnel matters.

The executive session adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

On a motion by Diehl, seconded by C. Dempsey, to adopt the Comp Time Policy with the amendments made to the original policy, approved.

On a motion by Stednitz-Julian, seconded by C. Dempsey to pay all Bills and claims properly approved by council, approved.

On a motion by Stednitz-Julian, seconded by C. Dempsey to accept a motion to adjourn, approved.

Roland Price
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November 6, 2025

Mr. T. Dempsey
Council President
16 S Third Street
St. Clair, PA 17970

**RE: Consulting Engineer's Report (CER)
Benesch Project No. 0325-609049.02**

Dear Mr. Dempsey:

The following is the status of engineering services performed by our firm as of this date:

ENGINEERING CONSULTATIONS & CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Firehouse Addition (0325-609049.02, Task 7)

To the extent requested, our office will assist the Borough and the Fire Company with preparing the project bid package and soliciting bids. Once the project is awarded, we anticipate Yourshaw and/or the Fire Company representatives will be performing most progress inspections with Benesch handling minor administrative efforts associated with grant coordination.

Northward Basketball Courts (0000-031433.20) Youth Basketball Court (0325-609049.21)

Earlier this year the Borough received a PA DCED CFA Greenways, Trails, Recreation Program (GTRP) grant in the full-requested amount of \$64,175 to construct a youth basketball court adjacent at the Third Street Playground. We intend to bid this project at the same time as the Northward Playground project since both are similar in scope. We anticipate receiving bids in December or January with construction beginning in the spring.

SR 61-14M PennDOT Project (0325-609049.70, Task 5)

PennDOT intends upgrade the traffic signal controller at the Terry Rich Blvd intersection as part of their Frackville Grade project. Any existing equipment removed is Borough property and should be returned to the Borough if desired. We were provided the PennDOT plans for this signal upgrade after a PA One Call was initiated with the Electric Light Department. The proposed equipment is compatible and with the Borough's standards regarding uninterrupted power supply (battery backup) as well as emergency generator hookup.

Property Maintenance Assistance (0325-609049.70, Task 3)

Our office has been providing assistance to the Borough and the Solicitor regarding property maintenance and conservatorship activities, including attending the latest hearing held on October 20, 2025, relating to 30 Thompson Street.

SUBDIVISIONS & LAND DEVELOPMENTS

None requiring Borough attention.

POTENTIAL FUNDING/GRANT SOURCES (0325-609049.02, Task 4)

MULTI-PURPOSE/USE

2025 PA DCED Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA): Local Share Account (LSA) – Statewide

- **Current Status: OPEN** (as of Sep 1 2025)
- **Application Deadline: November 30, 2025**
- **Uses:** Projects that improve the quality of life of citizens in the community. Eligible projects must be owned and maintained by an eligible applicant or a nonprofit organization. Eligible uses include acquisition; construction; renovation; demolition; infrastructure; purchase of vehicles, machinery and/or equipment; and project design and administrative costs.
- **Funding:**
 - Grants are available for projects **between \$25,000 and \$1M.**
 - NO Match is required. However, most grants are NOT awarded the full requested amount.
 - Engineering & Inspection capped at 10% of total grant award.
- **Anticipated Award Announcement:** Fall 2026
- **Potential Projects:** Bridge rehab and replacements, vehicles, equipment, more. Applicants may submit multiple applications.
- **Resolution Required:** Yes

PENDING/AWARDED GRANT APPLICATIONS

2022 PA DCNR Community Partnerships Program (C2P2), Small Communities (SC) Program

Project	Northward Playground Basketball Courts
Total Project Estimate	\$70,000
Borough Portion	\$20,000 (29%)
Date Submitted	Apr 6 2022
Award Notification	Sep 6 2022
Application Status	AWARDED \$50,000
Grant Period Ends	Dec 31 2026
Project Status	To be bid concurrently with Youth Basketball Court.

2023 PA DCNR Community Partnerships Program (C2P2), Small Communities (SC) Program

Project	John Siney Park
Total Project Estimate	\$125,000
Borough Portion	\$47,500 (38%)
Date Submitted	Apr 5 2023
Award Notification	Oct 5 2023
Application Status	AWARDED \$77,500
Grant Period Ends	Dec 31 2027
Project Status	Design and construction in 2026.

2023 PA DCED Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA): Local Share Account (LSA) – Statewide

Project	Firehouse Addition
Total Project Estimate	\$651,360
Borough Portion	\$0 (0%)
Date Submitted	Nov 30 2023
Award Notification	Oct 22 2024
Application Status	AWARDED \$400,000
Grant Period Ends	June 30 2027
Project Status	Project bid document preparation with anticipated bidding early 2026.

2024 PA DCED Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA): Greenways, Trails, Recreation Program (GTRP)

Project	Youth Basketball Court (Third St Playground)
Total Project Estimate	\$75,500
Borough Portion	\$11,325 (15%)
Date Submitted	May 31 2024
Award Notification	Jan 28 2025
Application Status	AWARDED \$64,175
Grant Period Ends	June 30 2028
Project Status	To be bid concurrently with Northward Basketball Courts (2025).

2024 PA DCED Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA): Local Share Account (LSA) – Statewide

Project	Electric Bucket Truck
Total Project Estimate	\$299,300
Borough Portion	\$0 (0%)
Date Submitted	Nov 27 2024
Anticipated Award Notification	Sep 2025 – Delayed (Sept CFA mtg cancelled, next mtg Nov 18 2025)
Application Status	Under Review

2025 PA DCED Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA): Multimodal Transportation Fund (MTF)

Project	Thwing Street Bridge
Total Project Estimate	\$2,259,000
Borough Portion	\$0 (0%)
Date Submitted	Jul 31 2025
Anticipated Award Notification	Nov 18 2025 – Delayed (Early 2026)
Application Status	Under Review

2025 PA DCED Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA): Multimodal Transportation Fund (MTF)

Project	Ann Street Rehabilitation
Total Project Estimate	\$261,950
Borough Portion	\$18,305 (7%)
Date Submitted	Jul 31 2025
Anticipated Award Notification	Nov 18 2025 – Delayed (Early 2026)
Application Status	Under Review

2025 Schuylkill County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program

Project	Ann Street ADA Ramps
Total Project Estimate	\$65,250
Borough Portion	\$0 (0%)
Date Submitted	Aug 15 2025
Award Notification	Fall 2025
Application Status	NOT Awarded

2025 US DOT Rural and Tribal Assistance Pilot Program

Project	Thwing Street Bridge Design & Permitting
Total Project Estimate	\$250,000
Borough Portion	\$0 (0%)
Date Submitted	Aug 8 2025
Anticipated Award Notification	Fall 2025 – Delayed
Application Status	Under Review



ST. CLAIR POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS

1. **Open Grant Opportunities: 2025 PA DCED CFA LSA-Statewide:** Deadline is November 30, 2025. No match required, although engineering limited to 10% and most grant awards are for less than requested amount. Grants for projects between \$25k and \$1M. Resolution required.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter. If you have any questions or comments concerning the above, please contact our office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Baldwin", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Brian W. Baldwin, PE
Project Manager

Attachments: Draft CFA LSA Grant Resolution

Cc: Atty. Edward M. Brennan, Solicitor (w/ attachments)

Appendix I – Authorized Official Resolution

Be it RESOLVED, that the Borough of St. Clair of
Schuylkill County hereby request a Statewide Local Share Assessment grant of
\$ 278,685.50 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for Electric Utility Truck Purchase.

Be it FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Applicant does hereby designate Thomas Dempsey, Council President, and Carol Sutzko, Borough Treasurer as the official(s) to execute all documents and agreements between the Borough of St. Clair and the Commonwealth Financing Authority to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested grant.

I, Roland Price, Jr., duly qualified Secretary of the Borough of St. Clair
Schuylkill County, PA, hereby certify that the forgoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution duly adopted by a majority vote of the St. Clair Borough Council at a regular meeting held November 6, 2025, and said Resolution has been recorded in the Minutes of the St. Clair Borough Council and remains in effect as of this date.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I affix my hand and attach the seal of the Borough of St. Clair,
this 6th day of November, 20 25.

Borough of St. Clair

Name of Applicant

Schuylkill County

County

Roland Price, Jr.,
Borough Secretary

Electric Light Department Report

October 2025

September's Energy cost / usage – \$ 151,070.18 / 1,623,206 KWH

Saturday 10/11/25 at 6:31 am Power Blip device activation on PPL side.

Borough wide outage approx. 4:00 am Mon. 10/27 loop burned off PPL feed line, restored 8:56 am.

Call out 4:12 pm Mon. 10/27 power issues 559 Fernwood Ave. problem on customers side, issue resolved.

Tues. 10/21 Utility inspection done by Utility Engineers and Borough Elec. Dept. on Solar System at 242 South Second Street, passed inspection system online!

Trouble call, LVHN building half power blown fuse on A phase, animal related.

Pedestrian pole hit and destroyed at Wal-Mart intersection, capped live wires and had pole replaced.

Completed and electronically submitted P.U.C. 56.231 montly report for September.

Changed pad mount transformer leaking oil in New Home Development, Schuylkill Haven Elec. here to help us.

Boone Park underground Electric complete 10/8 all outlets for trees, 2 Lamp Posts installed and energized.

Took down all Purple Welcome to Saint Clair Banners on Second Street, they are in really bad shape!!

Tuesday 10/14 started interviewing candidates (5) for apprentice Lineman Position.

Started hanging and repairing Christmas decorations on Second Street Thursday 10/16/25.

Reviewed delinquent book printed/posted 51 – 48 hr. notices. Cut service to 5 – non pay from last month.

New 100 amp service hook up at 111 West Hancock Street.

Replaced Electric meter at 433 South Second Street stopped communicating, bad MIM board.

Pulled meter and removed service drop at 104 Arnot Street, being demolished.

Restored elecric service to 28 South Nicholas, new owner old account paid in full and fees at settlement.

Restored Electric Service to 115 South Nicholas Street, account and fees paid in full.

Halloween parade, setup/take down Pa system and lighting, next day took down parade advertising banners.

New 100 amp service hookup at 514 East Carroll Street.

10/31 - Posted 60 – 48 hour shutoff notices and terminated electric service to 1 for non-payment

Responded to 8 PA ONE calls, answered, returned many phone calls and emails throughout month.

Respectfully Submitted;

Robert Petrozino

Superintendent

Saint Clair Borough Electric Light Dept.

11-6-2025

**Borough of St Clair
Treasurer's Report - General Fund
September 2025**

	<u>TOTAL</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
301.10 · Real Estate Tax, Current	3,574.37
301.30 · Real Estate Tax, Delinquent	3,689.25
310.01 · Per Capita Tax, Current	104.50
310.03 · Per Capita Tax, Delinquent	170.50
310.10 · Real Estate Transfer Tax	1,342.60
310.20 · Earned Income Tax	16,416.44
310.30 · Business Privilege Tax	831.71
310.41 · Occupation Tax, Current	27.72
310.43 · Occupation Tax, Delinquent	65.15
331.12 · Police Fines	1,954.90
355.04 · Beverage License Fees	1,200.00
355.05 · Gen Mun Pension Sys State Aid	159,976.05
361.33 · Variance/Zoning Permits	460.00
362.10 · Police Protection Services	18,083.33
362.20 · Special Fire Protection Service	14,036.39
364.30 · Solid Waste Collection Fees	35,336.41
367.30 · Boro175th Anniversary Recelpts	150.00
392.18 · Transfers from Electric Light	100,000.00
Total Income	357,419.32
Expense	
Administration Department	22,770.29
Health & Sanitation Department	22,655.66
Miscellaneous Department	15,840.00
Planning & Zoning Department	5,196.70
Police Protection Department	52,352.73
403.00 · Tax Collection Department	1,532.06
409.00 · Borough Buildings Department	6,561.08
411.00 · Fire Department	21,911.26
419.00 · Educational Services	8,934.25
430.00 · Streets & Bridges Department	33,768.14

**Borough of St Clair
Treasurer's Report - General Fund
September 2025**

	<u>TOTAL</u>
452.00 · Recreation Department	3,796.32
481.00 · Payroll Tax Expense	5,173.08
487.00 · Employer Benefits & W/H	<u>68,895.82</u>
Total Expense	<u>269,387.39</u>
Net Ordinary Income	88,031.93
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
341.000 · Interest, Dividend Income	<u>4,616.90</u>
Total Other Income	4,616.90
Other Expense	
492.00 · Transfers Department	
492.130 · Transfer to Sinking Fund	25,000.00
492.305 · Transfer to Gen Fund Cap Res	<u>3,000.00</u>
Total 492.00 · Transfers Department	<u>28,000.00</u>

ENDING Balance: \$274,834.85

Borough of St Clair
Treasurer's Report - Electric Light Fund
September 2025

	<u>TOTAL</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
7372.40 · Electric Energy Sales	588,055.76
7372.50 · Sales Tax Discounts	25.00
7372.55 · Processing Fees	400.00
7372.57 · Service Fees	<u>200.00</u>
Total Income	588,680.76
Expense	
7401.00 · Electric Light	
7401120 · Superintendent	5,583.32
7409300 · Rental Expense	135.18
7442141 · Office Manager	4,169.61
7442142 · Administrative Assistant	2,246.95
7442143 · Lineman	4,523.20
7442220 · Electrical Materials & Supplies	407.04
7442231 · Gasoline & Oil	132.81
7442260 · Minor Equipment	204.00
7442321 · Telephone	105.00
7442361 · AMP - Ohio	200,033.05
7442370 · Maintenance & Repairs	1,170.76
7442372 · Technology/Computer Expenses	1,500.00
7442374 · Vehicle Maintenance & Repairs	<u>523.58</u>
Total 7401.00 · Electric Light	<u>220,734.50</u>
Total Expense	<u>220,734.50</u>
Net Ordinary Income	367,946.26
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
341.000 · Interest, Dividend Income	<u>4,495.59</u>
Total Other Income	4,495.59
Other Expense	
492.00 · Transfers Department	
492.130 · Transfer to Sinking Fund	11,500.00
492.80 · Transfer to General Fund	<u>100,000.00</u>
Total 492.00 · Transfers Department	<u>111,500.00</u>

ENDING BALANCE: \$1,179,845.96

**Borough of St Clair
Balance Sheet
As of September 30, 2025**

Sep 30, 25

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

100.10 · Elec. Lgt. Sales Tax- Mid Penn	18,140.03
100.13 · PLGIT - Elect Lgt Capital Rsrv	9,097.88
100.131 · PLGIT PRIME-Elec.Light Cap Res	367,612.19
100.14 · PLGIT - Electric Light Fund	1,148,459.85
100.15 · PLGIT - FIRE INS ESCROW ACCT	39,724.64
100.16 · PLGIT - General Fund	233,755.83
100.17 · PLGIT - General Fund Cap Reserv	9,064.32
100.171 · PLGIT PRIME-Gen. Fund Cap. R...	362,350.40
100.18 · PLGIT - HD Land Devel Escrow	9,958.64
100.191 · PLGIT PRIME - Highway Aid Fund	91,005.48
100.20 · Elec. Light Chk. (Mid Penn)	31,386.11
100.21 · PLGIT - Home Program	1,057.02
100.22 · PLGIT - Recreation Grant Fund	24,206.48
100.221 · PLGIT PRIME - Recreation Grant	193.29
100.23 · PLGIT - Sinking Fund	36,622.61
100.231 · PLGIT PRIME - Sinking Fund	567,752.29
100.24 · PLGIT - Street Opening Permit	6,189.22
100.241 · PLGIT PRIME - Street Opening	87,949.79
100.30 · Gen. Fund Chk. (Mid Penn)	40,291.54
100.40 · PLGIT-Bridge Construction Fund	0.02
100.401 · PLGIT PRIME - Bridge Cons. Fu...	152,783.64
100.50 · PLGIT - Demolition Fund	13.66
100.501 · PLGIT PRIME - Demolition Fund	355,066.94
100.81 · PLGIT/PRIME Ann St Maintenance	37,071.50
100.90 · PLGIT - Building Permit Fund	115,634.96
105.10 · PLGIT - Payroll Fund	781.87
105.20 · PLGIT - Withholding Account	-6,046.49
110 · Petty Cash	500.00
110.10 · Petty Cash - General Fund	200.00
110.20 · Petty Cash - Swimming Pool - GF	300.00

Total Checking/Savings	3,741,123.71
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Borough of St. Clair

Zoning Officer's Report

OCTOBER 2025 Rev. 1

Application	Application Date	Description	Status	Location
ZONING INQUIREY	9/23/2025	SHED	OLD NOT REQ'D.	161 S. 2nd
ZONING PERMIT	9/29/2025	PATIO	ISSUED	19 N. MORRIS
ZONING INVESTIGATION	10/1/2025	SHED	NOT REQ'D. < 50 SQ. FT.	318 RAILROAD
ZONING COMPLAINT	10/2/2025	SHED	NOT REQ'D. < 50 SQ. FT.	N. NICHOLS
ZONING INQUIRY	10/2/2025	RENTAL TO RESIDENCE	NOT REQ'D.	48 N. 2nd
ZONING INQUIREY	10-7-2025	SHED AND FENCE	IN PROCESS	146 N. NICHLOS
ZONING PERMIT	10/9/2025	DECK	ISSUED	TIM HOLDEN
ZONING PERMIT	10/16/2025	STAND-BY GENERATOR	ISSUED	WALMART 500 TERRY RICH BLVD.

Greg Stednitz

Zoning Officer

11/2/2025

Saint Clair Fire Department
Fire Alarm Report
October 2025

October-04 STILL ALARM 20:17 hours 1093 Eagle Hill Rd. East Norwegian Township for a brush fire. Phoenix Fire, Chief Uhrin and Skrobak responded. Members extinguished an area of rubbish and brush that was burning. (BF08) In service 40 minutes.

October-04 STILL ALARM 21:26 hours 208 South Mill St. for a burning complaint. Chief Uhrin responded, arrived to find an unattended fire burning in a makeshift shelter that I couldn't locate anyone, so a dispatch was made for Phoenix Fire to respond to extinguish the fire. (CHF62) In service 35 minutes.

October-06 STILL ALARM 06:49 hours 1348 Burma Road Blythe Township for a motorcycle accident. Alert/Columbia, Phoenix, Rescue, and Deputy Skrobak responded. Members provided patient care and assisted EMS. (MVA02) In service 40 minutes.

October-06 STILL ALARM 07:04 hours 298 East Sherman St. for a landing zone. Alert/Rescue and Asst. Johns responded. Members secured a landing area and assisted crew with lifting. (LZ62) In service 35 minutes.

October-06 CHIEF CALL 11:57 hours 4 East Lawton St. for a chief request. The call was cancelled as chiefs were responding. (CHF62)

October-06 GENERAL ALARM 18:54 hours (BOX 33) 204 North Nicholas St. for a fire reported out. All companies, Chief Uhrin and Skrobak responded. Members used fans to clear out the smoke. (FRO62) In service 45 minutes.

October-10 CHIEF CALL 11:48 hours 12 East Lawton St. for a report of wires down. Chief Skrobak responded and removed the cable wires. (WD62) In service 15 minutes.

October-11 GENERAL ALARM 15:58 hours 104 South Morris St. for a smoke detector activation. All companies, and Asst. Johns and Skrobak responded. Members found a carbon monoxide issue. Members provided ventilation. (CO62) In service 45 minutes.

October-13 CHIEF CALL 01:00 hours Joseph H Long Blvd. and Terry Rich Blvd. for a pole down. Chief Uhrin responded and spoke with SCPD and will let light dept handle it in the morning. (CHF62) In service 20 minutes.

October-16 GENERAL ALARM 11:14 hours (BOX311) 25 North Nicholas St. Neumans Apartments for an automatic fire alarm. All companies, Asst. Johns and Skrobak responded, "Members used fans to ventilate the building. (AFA62)

October-16 STILL ALARM 18:26 hours 500 Terry Rich Blvd. for a vehicle accident w/injury. Alert/Columbia, Rescue, SCPD, and deputy Skrobak responded. Members controlled traffic. (MVA62) In service 40 minutes.

October-20 STILL ALARM 10:37 hours 799 Joseph H Long Blvd. for an odor investigation of gas. Alert/Columbia, West End, Chief Johns and Skrobak responded. Members arrived in the area of the retention pond across from Coal Creek Commerce Center for an odor of natural gas. Construction personnel and UGI personnel were on scene, and it was determined that it was residual gas. (ODO62) In service 45 minutes.

October-26 STILL ALARM 22:47 hours Joseph H Long Blvd. and Russell St. for a vehicle accident w/fluids and debris down on the roadway. Alert/Columbia, SCPD, Fire Police, Chief Uhrin and Skrobak responded. Members controlled fluids and traffic. (MVA62) In service 45 minutes.

October-27 STILL ALARM 04:16 hours North Second St. and Franklin St. for a transformer fire. Alert/Columbia, SCPD, St. Clair Light dept. PPL, Chief Uhrin and Skrobak responded, members located the area of the fault and supplied SCCC with pole numbers. (UTL62) In service 2 hours.

October-27 CHIEF CALL 06:40 hours 13 South Third St. for a medical assist with oxygen failure due to power being out. Alert/Columbia, and Deputy Skrobak responded. Members switched her oxygen over. (MA62) In service 15 minutes.

October-27 CHIEF CALL 09:29 hours 13 South Third St. for a medical assist. Alert/Columbia, Deputy Skrobak responded. Members put her oxygen back on. (MA62) In service 15 minutes.

October-27 STILL ALARM 18:43 hours 311 South Second St. for a medical assist for lifting. Alert/Columbia, Rescue, SCPD, Chief Uhrin and Skrobak responded. Members assisted EMS with lifting. (MA62) In service 25 minutes.

October-28 STILL ALARM 17:21 hours 354 Pottsville / St. Clair Highway East Norwegian Township for an odor investigation. Alert/Columbia, Phoenix, and Deputy Skrobak responded. Members used the air monitor and camera to investigate, with nothing found advised if it returns to call. (ODO08) In service 25 minutes.

October-29 STILL ALARM 13:12 hours 2401 West Market St. (York Terrace Nursing Home) for smoke in the facility. Alert/Columbia, for the tower ladder, out of town companies were cancelled before arriving. (SIS68) In service 15 minutes.

October-31 CHIEF CALL 14:55 hours 100 West Russell St. for a report of wires down. Chief Uhrin and Johns along with SCPD responded. The wires down are part of an ongoing investigation with police. (WD62) In service 20 minutes.

Comments:

The following alarm boxes were tested, 33, 36, 14,

General Alarms	3
Still Alarms	11
False Alarms	0
Chief Calls/ Public Service	6
 Total calls	 20

Respectfully submitted,


Frank Uhrin Fire Chief

**BOROUGH OF ST. CLAIR - CODE ENFORCEMENT – PROPERTY
MAINTENANCE**

16 South Third Street
St Clair, PA 17970

PHONE: 570-429-0640
Fax: 570-429-2829

November 6, 2025

TOTAL COMPLAINTS – 16

RENTAL INSPECTIONS – 7

Respectfully,

Michelle D. Brestowski

Code Enforcement Officer
Health Officer

BOROUGH OF SAINT CLAIR, SCHUYLKILL COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
RESOLUTION NO. 6-2025

**A RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING THE BOROUGH OF SAINT CLAIR'S OPPOSITION TO THE
ONGOING OPERATIONS OF THE BRADS LANDFILL AND RECOGNIZING THE
COMMUNITY'S RIGHT TO CLEAN AIR, PURE WATER, AND A SAFE ENVIRONMENT**

- WHEREAS, the Borough of Saint Clair, Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania, is a Fenceline Community located immediately adjacent to the BRADS Landfill, owned and operated by Waste Connections, situated in Blythe Township, Pennsylvania; and
- WHEREAS, the Borough recognizes its duty to protect the health, safety, and welfare of its residents and to preserve the integrity of the surrounding environment; and
- WHEREAS, the Borough of Saint Clair has been identified as an Environmental Justice Area under the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection's Environmental Justice Mapping and Screening Tool (PennEnviroScreen), a state-of-the-art tool that uses more than thirty (30) environmental, health, and socioeconomic indicators to identify communities facing disproportionate environmental burdens and cumulative impacts; and
- WHEREAS, Article I, Section 27 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, entitled 'Natural resources and the public estate,' provides that:
"The people have a right to clean air, pure water, and to the preservation of the natural, scenic, historic and esthetic values of the environment. Pennsylvania's public natural resources are the common property of all the people, including generations yet to come. As trustee of these resources, the Commonwealth shall conserve and maintain them for the benefit of all the people."
(Adopted May 18, 1971, P.L.769, J.R.3)
- WHEREAS, the Borough of Saint Clair affirms that this constitutional right extends to all residents and that local government plays an essential role in upholding these protections within its jurisdiction; and
- WHEREAS, the BRADS Landfill's ongoing operations have resulted in continuing hydrogen sulfide (H₂S) emissions, increased heavy truck traffic on community roadways such as Burma Road, and persistent environmental and public health burdens that adversely affect nearby residents, local schools, and businesses; and
- WHEREAS, the Borough of Saint Clair is a small, historic, and residential community with school bus routes, Schuylkill Transportation System (STS) transit routes, and high local traffic volumes along Burma Road, making landfill-related truck activity a direct threat to public safety and community welfare; and
- WHEREAS, these impacts are inconsistent with the Borough's goals for community safety, public health, and quality of life, as well as with the spirit and intent of Article I, Section 27 of the Pennsylvania Constitution; and
- WHEREAS, the Borough Council recognizes the cumulative environmental and economic strain placed upon Saint Clair and its residents as a direct result of the landfill's proximity and continued expansion of operations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Saint Clair, Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania, as follows:

1. 1. Reaffirmation of Opposition: The Borough of Saint Clair hereby reaffirms its opposition to the ongoing operations of the BRADS Landfill and to any future expansion, permit modification, or activity that would further endanger public health, safety, or the environment.
2. 2. Environmental Stewardship: The Borough stands in support of Article I, Section 27 of the Pennsylvania Constitution and asserts its commitment to safeguarding clean air, pure water, and a safe environment for present and future generations.
3. 3. Environmental Justice Commitment: The Borough acknowledges its designation as an Environmental Justice Area and demands equitable environmental protections and meaningful public involvement in all decisions affecting the community's health and environment, consistent with Pennsylvania's Environmental Justice Policy.
4. 4. Notification and Advocacy: The Borough Secretary shall forward a certified copy of this Resolution to:
 - The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)
 - Schuylkill County Commissioners
 - Blythe Township Board of Supervisors
 - The Pennsylvania Department of Health
 - State and Federal elected representatives serving the Borough of Saint Clair
5. 5. Public Engagement: The Borough encourages residents and neighboring municipalities to remain engaged in environmental review processes, report odor and safety concerns, and participate in DEP public comment and hearing opportunities.
6. 6. Effective Date: This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this ___ day of _____, 2025, by the Borough Council of Saint Clair, Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania.

ATTEST:

Borough Manager Roland Price

Council President Tom Dempsey
Saint Clair Borough Council

Mayor Richard E. Tomko

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF St. Clair Borough,
Schuylkill COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING, EMPOWERING AND
DIRECTING THE PROPER OFFICERS OF THE GOVERNING BOARD TO APPOINT A
LIAISON BETWEEN IT AND BERKHEIMER, THE DULY APPOINTED COLLECTOR OF
LOCAL TAXES FOR THE DISTRICT, FOR THE EXPRESS PURPOSE OF SHARING
CONFIDENTIAL TAX INFORMATION WITH THE DISTRICT FOR OFFICIAL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Act No. 511 of the 1965 General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (53
P.S. §6901 et seq.), enacted December 31, 1965, and effective January 1, 1966, authorizes certain political
subdivisions, including St. Clair Borough, Schuylkill COUNTY, to provide for the
creation of such bureaus or the appointment and compensation of such officers, clerks, collectors and other
assistants and employees as may be deemed necessary for the assessment and collection of taxes imposed
under the authority of that Act; and

WHEREAS, St. Clair Borough, Schuylkill COUNTY, has entered into
contractual agreement with **BERKHEIMER** of Bangor, Pennsylvania, whereby and whereunder
St. Clair Borough appointed Berkheimer to collect **certain local taxes**; and

WHEREAS, said Act 511 specifically mandates that any information gained by the appointed tax
officer, his agents or by any other official or agent of the taxing district, as a result of any declarations,
returns, investigations, hearings or verifications required or authorized by the taxing municipality's ordinance
or resolution, be kept confidential, except for official purposes; and

WHEREAS, any person who divulges any information which is confidential under the provisions of
any ordinance or resolution, upon conviction may be subject to fines and/or imprisonment, upon conviction,
and dismissal from office or discharge from employment; and

WHEREAS, Berkheimer requires passage of a resolution by the governing body of
St. Clair Borough, Schuylkill COUNTY specifying that said confidential
information is needed for official purposes and absolving Berkheimer from any liability in connection with
the release of said confidential information;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

1. St. Clair Borough, Schuylkill COUNTY hereby appoints
Borough Manager or Borough Treasurer as its authorized representative to make
(Job Title)
requests upon and receive any and all tax information and records from **Berkheimer**, relative to the
collection of taxes for St. Clair Borough, as desired and deemed necessary by
St. Clair Borough, to be used for official purposes only; and

2. Berkheimer is hereby directed to provide and/or transmit any and all tax information and
records, or any portion thereof, relating to the collection of taxes for the St. Clair Borough, upon
request, to Borough Manager or Borough Treasurer as the authorized contact
(Job Title)
representative for it.

3. St. Clair Borough, Schuylkill COUNTY hereby saves harmless,
indemnifies and/or absolves Berkheimer from and against any and all liability in connection with the release
of said confidential information.

RESOLVED, ENACTED AND ADOPTED at a meeting held on the _____ day of _____

BY: _____

ATTEST:
