

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
OF
May 18, 2026

The Rockledge Borough Council met at 7:00 p.m. on May 18, 2026, at the Rockledge Borough Hall. After the prayer and Pledge of Allegiance, the roll was as follows:

In Attendance: Mr. Menniti, Mrs. Hopkins-Toffling (via Zoom) , Mr. Briggman, Mr. Boyle, Mr. Creedon, Mr. Denelsbeck, Mr. Law, and Mayor Corrigan.

Acceptance of the Minutes: Motion to adopt the minutes from March 30, 2026. All were in favor.

A motion was made to appoint John Walko, from Kilkenny Law as the new Borough Solicitor as pursuant to terms of agreement. All were in favor.

Parks & Recreation

Mr. Kirby was in attendance representing the Fourth of July Committee:

- The Committee will be at the Polls on Election Day selling baked goods, pretzels, calendars, etc.
- June 15 – Phillies Night
- July 3 – games and fireworks
- Parade – July 4 at 9:00 am
- September 13, 2026, Car Show, the Committee will have a table there.
- Golf Outing – October 26 at the Philmont Country Club - sign-ups have begun.

Mr. Menniti advised that there are about sixty kids signed up for summer camp. The fee was raised from \$25 00 to \$35.00, and no one had an issue with the increase.

Ironside Plumbing installed the water fountain – they have also donated and installed two toilets for Jarrett Playground.

Mrs. Hopkins-Toffling would like to have a ceremony regarding the water fountain. She would like to thank Ironside Plumbing, Ben Sanchez, and Aqua. More details to follow.

Law and Planning

Mr. Briggman made a motion to accept the monthly building inspector’s report. All were in favor.

Mr. Briggman made a motion to adopt Ordinance 694. An Ordinance amending Chapter 192 “Brush, Grass and Weeds,” section 192-1 “Nuisance Vegetative Growth” to reduce the maximum height of grass and weeds to ten inches; and Providing Severance and Repealer Clauses and an Effective Date. All were in favor.

Mr. Denelsbeck made a motion to approve the Veteran’s Memorial Monument at Jarrett Park. Mr. Briggman recused himself from voting as he is on the Veteran’s Committee. The remaining six council members were in favor of allowing this.

Mr. Briggman made a motion to advertise Ordinance 695. An Ordinance amending section 528 of the Rockledge Borough Code, Vehicle and Traffic to prohibit parking for certain purposes and to amend

regulations related to the citation and removal of disabled motor vehicles and to establish fines for violations. All were in favor.

Mr. Briggman made a motion to advertise Ordinance 693. An Ordinance amending Chapter 240 of the Rockledge Borough Code, Uniform Construction Codes, Article II through VII to adopt the International Code Council 2021 Code Series and the 2020 National Electric Code. Council approved motion to advertise with a few changes.

Mr. Briggman wanted to discuss the Planning Commission Vacancy. There are three residents interested. The Law and Planning Committee will schedule interviews.

Finance

Mr. Denelsbeck made a motion to accept the monthly bills, Tax Collector's, previous month's check detail, income report, and Treasurer's report. All were in favor.

Mr. Denelsbeck made a motion to make the following budgeted transfers:

- \$30,000 from General Fund to the Police MMO Fund
- \$70,000 from General Fund to the Capital Reserve Fund

All were in favor.

Mr. Denelsbeck was not in favor of making the following budgeted transfer:

- \$120,000 from General Fund to the Fund Account and council agreed.

Monthly Bills – May 2026

General Fund	-	\$ 138,987.50
Highway Aid	-	\$ 2,360.00
Capital Reserve	-	\$ 0
Police Pension Fund	-	\$ 599.33

Check Detail – April 2026

General Fund	-	\$ 266,370.34
Highway Aid	-	\$ 0
Capital Reserve	-	\$ 569.48
Police Pension Fund	-	\$ 9,564.70

Mr. Wartman gave the treasurer's report.

Mr. Denelsbeck made a motion to purchase a new police vehicle with a four-year lease-purchase for \$18,185.00. Because this was not budgeted for, we will take \$10,000 from vehicle maintenance in General Fund and the remaining out of Capital Reserve. When the 2012 Tahoe is sold the money received will be deposited back into Capital Reserve.

Mr. Denelsbeck asked the Borough Manager to contact Park Mobile to get some information. This may or may not be an option to increase revenue.

Public Service Mr. Creedon and Mayor Corrigan – Memorial Day Observance will be at 9:00 on May 25, 2026, at Jarrett Playground. After that he will be going to Lawnview Cemetery. Flags will be at half-staff and will be changed back on Tuesday.

Public Safety Mr. Denelsbeck made a motion to accept the Police, Fire Marshal and Fire Company monthly reports. All were in favor.

Town Watch Update: None

Interim Chief Schmalz:

- Two cell phones have been ordered.
- We will be receiving new Tasers (Abington's Old Tasers) in July – Mitch Meed will be the Taser Instructor and will schedule that once they are received.
- Chief Schmalz is waiting for conversation with the School Superintendent regarding the Bus Cameras
- Congratulations to Chief Schmalz on being a new Grandpop.
- Holy Nativity had a break this past weekend. A homeless female broke a window and stole a wooden cross. She was apprehended.

Public Works/Property: Mr. Boyle made a motion to accept the Streets Opening Report and the Streets Department Monthly Report. All were in favor.

Mr. Gassman advised of the following:

- Banners are going up.
- Mulching at Jarrett Playground
- The dirt from the Firehouse sewer issue is at Cegielski Playground – they have taken twelve loads of dirt up to Abington.
- Flowers will be picked up next week.

Mr. Lipsett gave an update on the Peco project – they are finishing and should be done in a couple of weeks.

The Firehouse had two backups – had a plumber out and they had to dig in the driveway – there was a blockage which was the broken pipe. Final invoices will be sent to Mr. Lipsett as the borough is responsible for half of the repairs because the sewer pipe from the Police Station flows into the pike for the Firehouse.

Mr. Denelsbeck asked Mr. Lipsett to get a price for a survey of the land across from Borough Hall. There are some trees that need attention and he is not sure whose property they are on.

Mr. Denelsbeck also mentioned trees in front of Borough Hall on Huntingdon Pike side growing into the wires. This will be looked at.

Human Resources:

Mrs. Hopkins-Toffling wanted to discuss having an internship here in the Borough. It would be a free internship, and the person would get a letter of recommendation. Mrs. Hopkins-Toffling will head this up.

Mr. Law discussed the borough's technology security regarding the tablet's council members have. This will be checked up on with Mr. Chiarlanza.

There was a discussion regarding the Rockledge Judge of Elections election issue. Mrs. Hopkins-Toffling will send a letter to the Election Board regarding the confusion.

Manager's Report None

Public Comment:

Mr. John Wynne, 32 Blake Avenue, wanted some clarification regarding Ordinance 695.

A motion was made to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,
Joyce Hines
Administrative Assistant