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1	COUNCIL FOR THE BOROUGH OF DUNMORE
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5	Monday, September 8th, 2025
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7	TIME:
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10	LOCATION:
11	DUNMORE COMMUNITY CENTER 1414 Monroe Avenue
12	Dunmore, Pennsylvania
13	COUNCIL MEMBERS:
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15	JANET BRIER - President.
16	KATHERINE OVEN - Vice President
17	MICHAEL DEMPSEY
18	THOMAS HALLINAN
19	ELIZABETH ZANGARDI
20	WILLIAM O'MALLEY, III
21	PATRICK LOUGHNEY
22	GREG WOLFF, Borough Manager
23	MICHAEL P. PERRY, Esquire, Solicitor
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25	MARIA McCOOL, RPR OFFICIAL COURT REPORTER

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(Pledge of Allegiance.)
MR. WOLFF: Roll call, Mayor Conway.
MAYOR CONWAY: Here.
MR. WOLFF: Mr. Loughney.
MR. LOUGHNEY: Here.
MR. WOLFF: Mr. Dempsey.
MR. DEMPSEY: Here.
MR. WOLFF: Mr. O'Malley.
MR. O'MALLEY: Here.
MR. WOLFF: Mrs. Brier.
MS. BRIER: Here.
MR. WOLFF: Mrs. Mackrell Oven.
MS. OVEN: Here.
MR. WOLFF: Mrs. McDonald Zangardi.
MS. ZANGARDI: Here.
MR. WOLFF: Mr. Hallinan.
MR. HALLINAN: Present.
MR. WOLFF: Number three, public
comment on agenda items.
MS. BRIER: Anyone from the public
like to comment on the agenda items only? We
don't have anybody from the public.
MR. WOLFF: Number four, motion to
approve the minutes of the meeting from the

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1	August 11th, 2025 meeting.
2	MS. BRIER: Okay. May I have a
3	motion to approve the minutes of the meeting
4	from the August 11th, 2025 meeting?
5	MR. O'MALLEY: So moved.
6	MR. LOUGHNEY: Second.
7	MS. BRIER: We have a motion and
8	second. Anyone on the question? All those in
9	favor?
10	MR. LOUGHNEY: Aye.
11	MR. DEMPSEY: Aye.
12	MR. O'MALLEY: Aye.
13	MS. BRIER: Aye.
14	MS. OVEN: Aye.
15	MS. ZANGARDI: Aye.
16	MR. HALLINAN: Aye.
17	MS. BRIER: Opposed?
18	MR. WOLFF: Number five, motion to
19	approve and pay the open bills.
20	MS. BRIER: May I have a motion to
21	approve and pay the open bills?
22	MS. OVEN: I'll make a motion.
23	MS. BRIER: Second?
24	MR. DEMPSEY: Second.
25	MS. BRIER: I have a motion and a

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1	second. Anyone on the question? All those in
2	favor?
3	MR. LOUGHNEY: Aye.
4	MR. DEMPSEY: Aye.
5	MR. O'MALLEY: Aye.
6	MS. BRIER: Aye.
7	MS. OVEN: Aye.
8	MS. ZANGARDI: Aye.
9	MR. HALLINAN: Aye.
10	MS. BRIER: Opposed?
11	MR. WOLFF: Number six motion to
12	approve Lawn and Order as the lowest
13	responsible bidder for the 2025 park
14	development project in the amount of \$48,875.
15	MS. BRIER: May I have a motion to
16	approve Lawn and Order as the lowest
17	responsible bidder for the 2025 park
18	development project in the amount of \$48,875.
19	MR. O'MALLEY: So moved.
20	MS. OVEN: Second.
21	MR. HALLINAN: Second.
22	MS. BRIER: I have a motion and a
23	second. Anyone on the question?
24	MR. WOLFF: Just for the record,
25	this was put out to bid, advertised and put out

We had six bidders and Lawn and 1 to bid. Order -- we went over the bid and Lawn and 2 3 Order was the lowest responsible bidder. 4 MS. BRIER: Anyone else on the 5 question? MR. O'MALLEY: I can't wait to see 6 7 it. 8 MR. HALLINAN: On the question, I 9 think it's going to be a wonderful addition to the Dunmore corners. 10 11 MS. BRIER: Me too. 12 MR. HALLINAN: And I look forward to 13 this project being completed. Thanks, Max. 14 MAYOR CONWAY: Yeah, working on this 15 for a long time. I'm excited to get this done 16 and we're looking at ways to offset this 48,000 17 once it's complete. So looking forward to 18 working with Council on that and I think it 19 will be a great addition to the Borough. 20 MR. O'MALLEY: I want to thank the 21 Mayor for all the work he put in on it. The 22 renderings were terrific. 23 MR. DEMPSEY: Mike Brazil. 24 MR. WOLFF: Yeah, I was just going 25 to say Mike Brazil put a ton of work into this.

1 He did a great job. 2 MS. BRIER: And for the record too, 3 the bidder said it would be done by November 4 30th. 5 MAYOR CONWAY: Correct. MS. BRIER: That will be beautiful. 6 7 All right. All those in favor? 8 MR. LOUGHNEY: Aye. 9 MR. DEMPSEY: Aye. 10 MR. O'MALLEY: Aye. 11 MS. BRIER: Aye. 12 MS. OVEN: Aye. 13 MS. ZANGARDI: Aye. 14 MR. HALLINAN: Aye. 15 MS. BRIER: Opposed? 16 MR. WOLFF: Number seven, motion to 17 appoint Jacqueline Perry-Amico as a crossing 18 guard. 19 MS. BRIER: Can I have a motion to 20 appoint Jacqueline Perry-Amico as a crossing 21 guard? 22 MR. LOUGHNEY: So moved. 23 MR. DEMPSEY: Second. 24 MS. BRIER: I have a motion and a 25 Anyone on the question? second.

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1	MR. WOLFF: Just that she passed all
2	of her background checks. She was approved by
3	the school and our police department did all of
4	their approval as well.
5	MS. BRIER: Okay.
6	MR. LOUGHNEY: I believe they are
7	looking for more.
8	MR. O'MALLEY: Do you know where
9	she's going to be stationed?
10	MR. WOLFF: She's right at the
11	corner of Quincy and Electric.
12	MS. BRIER: Right at the school
13	there.
14	MR. LOUGHNEY: The five points.
15	MS. BRIER: The five points. Great.
16	All those in favor.
17	MR. LOUGHNEY: Aye.
18	MR. DEMPSEY: Aye.
19	MR. O'MALLEY: Aye.
20	MS. BRIER: Aye.
21	MS. OVEN: Aye.
22	MS. ZANGARDI: Aye.
23	MR. HALLINAN: Aye.
24	MS. BRIER: Opposed?
25	MR. WOLFF: Number eight, motion to

approve Dom Lalli as the primary for the 1 internal job posting of 811 stormwater 2 3 identification duties within the DPW. 4 MS. BRIER: Okay. May I have a 5 motion to approve Dom Lalli as the primary for the internal job posting of 811 stormwater 6 identification duties within the DPW. 7 8 MS. ZANGARDI: I'll make that 9 motion. 10 MS. OVEN: Second. 11 MS. BRIER: I have a motion and a 12 Anyone on the question? second. 13 MR. WOLFF: For the record, this job 14 was posted as per the CBA. Mr. Lalli was the 15 senior member that applied for the position. 16 It will be to assist the in the stormwater 17 identification with the call before dig 18 process. 19 MS. BRIER: Okay. Anyone else? A11 20 those in favor? 21 MR. LOUGHNEY: Aye. 22 MR. DEMPSEY: Aye. 23 MR. O'MALLEY: Aye. 24 MS. BRIER: Aye. 25 MS. OVEN: Aye.

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1	MS. ZANGARDI: Aye.
2	MR. HALLINAN: Aye.
3	MS. BRIER: Opposed?
4	MR. WOLFF: Number nine, motion to
5	approve Justin Taffera as an alternate for the
6	internal job posting of 811 stormwater
7	identification duties within the DPW?
8	MS. BRIER: May I have a motion to
9	approve Justin Taffera as the alternate for the
10	internal job posting of 811 stormwater
11	identification duties within the DPW.
12	MR. O'MALLEY: So moved.
13	MR. HALLINAN: Second.
14	MS. ZANGARDI: Second.
15	MS. BRIER: Okay. I have a motion
16	and a second. On the question?
17	MR. WOLFF: Justin will only be
18	compensated when Mr. Lalli is not around to
19	fill in for those duties.
20	MS. BRIER: Great. All those in
21	favor?
22	MR. LOUGHNEY: Aye.
23	MR. DEMPSEY: Aye.
24	MR. O'MALLEY: Aye.
25	MS. BRIER: Aye.

MS. ZANGARDI: Aye. 2 3 MR. HALLINAN: Aye. 4 MS. BRIER: Opposed? 5 MR. WOLFF: Number 10, Treasury Report, Mark. 6 MR. BURTON: Good evening, Council. 7 8 Our financial snapshot for the month of August, 9 we had a net loss for the month of 1.4 million 10 dollars which brings our year to date net 11 income to \$984,000. I'll get to the details 12 shortly. 13 Incomewise, business licenses and 14 permits, we received 44,000 for our Comcast 15 franchise fees for the first quarter of 2025. 16 And the big expenses this month, we had three 17 pay period payroll. 18 Our debt principal we paid 1 million 19 dollars to our annual bond principal payment. 20 And our debt interest was \$93,000 -- our 21 semiannual bond interest payment. So the two 22 big bills we have for the month was to pay down 23 That is as our time debt -the debt. 24 MS. BRIER: Sorry, Mark, with our 25 debt schedule, we will be under a million

MS. OVEN:

Aye.

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1 dollars next year? MR. BURTON: I don't believe it's 2 3 next year. I think it's the following. started at 1.4 million. Now, it's down to 1.1 4 million dollars. 5 MS. BRIER: Okay. And I just have 6 7 one other quick question. Central Penn 8 College, do you know why we paid them \$2,600 9 bucks? 10 MR. BURTON: That was the new 11 firefighter. 12 MS. BRIER: Oh, that's the training. 13 MR. WOLFF: That's the housing. 14 MR. O'MALLEY: How are we doing with 15 the rental registration? 16 MR. BURTON: Very good. We started 17 receiving our first income last month I 18 believe. I think I reported it was 16,000. I'm not sure what this month --19 MR. WOLFF: Last time I checked 20 with Faith, we were right around 30,000, Mark. 21 22 MR. O'MALLEY: So what kind of 23 percentage is that as far as -- I think 24 there's, what, 1,500 apartments in the Borough? 25 MR. WOLFF: We won't know that until

1 we get through the year because we sent out 2 well over a thousand letters. 3 anticipating 1,500. We really don't have a 4 good idea. We're just taking -- we made 5 educated guesses through the Census Bureau and some other stuff, some older files. 6 7 MR. O'MALLEY: But they are coming 8 in regularly. 9 MR. WOLFF: They're coming in 10 regularly, yeah. 11 MR. LOUGHNEY: Did you say we made 12 30,000? And we started just a few months ago. 13 MR. BURTON: Through the end of 14 August we had 27,6. MS. BRIER: 15 Wonderful. Thanks, 16 Mark. 17 MR. WOLFF: Thanks, Mark. 18 Mr. Kearney. 19 MR. KEARNEY: Good evening, Council. 20 For the past several weeks our rentals of this 21 room have continued as we just hosted two 22 parties this weekend. At the end of the month 23 we have the Indian community's annual fall 24 get-together over the weekend where they take 25 the whole building for a couple days.

And the following weekend is the purse bingo that the seniors have the whole building for two days. That's their biggest fundraiser of the year. As for the gym, the Dunmore elementary teams are continuing their preseason practices and they're going to start getting closer to the season as well as Coach Bowen of the Lady Bucks.

She has individual workouts here. I was in contact with the Biddy Basketball. They are getting their schedule ready. And I'll have that by the end of next month. That's it.

MS. BRIER: Chris and I went around the building with a representative from Giant Floor just to get for the -- we're going to try to do an LSA grant to replace the flooring in the whole building by the square footage. And we'll put it in. But it has to be in by September 30th.

MR. KEARNEY: Yeah, he's aware of that. I told him the other day.

MS. BRIER: As soon as I get that I could do the rest. I was asking Chris how many people use this building. And it's thousands, thousands and thousands. We have two

1 elections, Jog for Jude and the night out and, 2 like, just on a weekly basis. 3 MR. KEARNEY: From November through 4 March with Biddy Basketball here every weekend, we have hundreds of people every weekend. 5 MS. BRIER: Yeah. And then you have 6 7 Mahjong, yoga, pickleball, painting. I mean, 8 it's a real community center. That's why I 9 wanted to emphasize that in the submission. Ι 10 don't know if we'll get anything. 11 really needs it, especially this room. 12 MS. OVEN: Chris, do you have a big ladder? 13 14 MR. KEARNEY: Yes. 15 MS. OVEN: I have paint for the 16 ceiling tiles where some of the gray got 17 splashed. I'll drop it off for you if could 18 you -- can you reach that? 19 MR. KEARNEY: Yeah, you mean over there? 20 21 MS. OVEN: Yeah, up there and 22 there's some over here. I'll just drop it off 23 for you tomorrow. 24 MR. KEARNEY: Okay. All right. No 25 problem.

1 MS. BRIER: Thanks. 2 MR. O'MALLEY: Thank you. 3 MR. WOLFF: Mr. Judge. 4 MR. JUDGE: Where we at? I quess --MR. DEMPSEY: 5 Plows. MR. JUDGE: We'll start that 6 7 tomorrow. 8 MR. HALLINAN: We have to get ready 9 for the winter season. 10 MR. JUDGE: Yeah, we got to start getting ready for winter, you know? I don't 11 12 know who you guys plan on --13 MS. BRIER: For what, Didge? 14 MR. JUDGE: They set the plows up. 15 We could get them on and everything, but some 16 of them need attention. They're all 10 years 17 old, you know what I mean? We lost one last 18 year. The motor went in one of them. So we 19 got four 550s and the big 10 ton. 20 MS. BRIER: Do they all need to be serviced? Is that what you are saying? 21 22 MR. JUDGE: Yeah, service and just 23 put back together, put the plows on, the 24 stripers, you know what I mean? But I'd like 25 to start that this week in case we run into

1 some problems. Before you know it --2 MS. BRIER: Who has done that in the 3 past? 4 MR. JUDGE: That's up to you guys. MS. BRIER: 5 Who typically does it? MR. JUDGE: Bobby Morgan done it the 6 7 last two years. 8 MR. LOUGHNEY: It's going to be a 9 beautiful week. 10 MR. HALLINAN: Each plow needs to be 11 refurbished every year. That's what he's 12 talking about, the maintenance of the plows and 13 whether the motors are working, get them on the 14 trucks and make sure the hydraulics are 15 working. 16 And there's a couple places that do 17 I don't know if you are satisfied with them. 18 Mr. Morgan. That's what you would know rather But, I mean --19 than us. 20 MS. BRIER: We could get some bids. 21 MR. HALLINAN: We could talk about 22 that with Mr. Wolff and go from there. How are the spreaders? Are the spreaders all ready to 23 24 go? You have to get them worked on. 25 MR. JUDGE: We took them off last

1	year and put them all up in the garage. Greg,
2	maybe tomorrow we'll go talk to him up there.
3	MR. WOLFF: Yep.
4	MR. JUDGE: That's it. That's all I
5	have. And potholes, we are doing potholes
6	every day and garbage.
7	MS. BRIER: What about the street
8	cleaner?
9	MR. JUDGE: The sweeper is out every
10	day.
11	MS. BRIER: Is it? Does it have a
12	schedule though?
13	MR. JUDGE: I have him clean an hour
14	early in the morning. This way everybody's
15	you go right through the corners. He gets the
16	corners every day and around the churches, the
17	schools.
18	MS. BRIER: So he has a set
19	schedule?
20	MR. JUDGE: Yeah, so anything you
21	want added.
22	MS. BRIER: Is it written down, the
23	schedule?
24	MR. JUDGE: I'll get it for you.
25	MS. BRIER: Okay. That would be

1 great. 2 MR. LOUGHNEY: Didge, he probably 3 doesn't have to do the same route every day. 4 MR. JUDGE: No, he doesn't do it 5 every day. But he has a certain way that he does it. The corners, he does it -- he hits it 6 7 every morning. 8 MR. LOUGHNEY: It would be good to 9 see him in all the wards, in all areas of the 10 Borough. Do you know what I mean? He could 11 deviate off that. He knows how to get back to 12 the shed. 13 MS. BRIER: And, Didge, on the 14 corner where the alley meets Dudley, the alley 15 behind Rags, where that meets Dudley, the rain 16 washed a huge hump there. 17 MR. JUDGE: There's a hole? 18 MS. BRIER: No, I think there's a 19 big --20 MR. JUDGE: I'll look at it in the 21 morning. 22 MS. BRIER: I think when they filled 23 in those potholes they didn't seal them. 24 talked to the guys and they said -- they told

me it wasn't sealed.

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1	MR. JUDGE: It wasn't sealed?
2	MS. BRIER: No, they were going to
3	seal them but I don't think they ever did.
4	MR. JUDGE: I must have been off
5	then.
6	MS. BRIER: You were off.
7	MR. JUDGE: You got to watch.
8	MS. BRIER: If you could take a look
9	in that alley and then
10	MR. JUDGE: Yeah, I'll check it
11	tomorrow. Whatever it needs, we'll get it
12	done.
13	MR. O'MALLEY: Thanks for getting
14	that intersection where Wired and Inspired is.
15	MR. JUDGE: It came out good, didn't
16	it?
17	MR. O'MALLEY: Yeah. They're happy.
18	MR. JUDGE: People are happy. You
19	would be surprised about how many people talked
20	to me about that.
21	MS. BRIER: It's very busy down
22	there now.
23	MR. HALLINAN: Do our guys do
24	arrows? Can we paint an arrow?

1 MR. HALLINAN: Which one did you want to be done, Mr. O'Malley? What arrow did 2 3 you want painted down on Green Ridge Street? 4 MR. O'MALLEY: No, somebody asked if 5 we do -- put a turning arrow on the streetlight, left onto Green Ridge. 6 7 MR. HALLINAN: No, you would have to 8 go through PennDOT on that. I thought you 9 meant a marker on the pavement which would be 10 our responsibility. That's all. 11 MR. JUDGE: That's it? 12 MS. BRIER: Thank you. I'm glad 13 you're back. 14 MS. OVEN: Thanks, Didge. Chief Marchese is 15 MR. WOLFF: 16 absent. Chief DeNaples. 17 CHIEF DENAPLES: Good evening, 18 Council. I'll start out with the expenditures 19 projected for September, 2025. So we bought 20 personal protective equipment, a full set of 21 gear for firefighter Brandon, one of our new 22 That total was 7,470.80. full timers. 23 MS. BRIER: For the two of them? 24 CHIEF DENAPLES: We're holding off 25 on Albano until he finishes the fire academy.

So he has a huge set of gear to use in the interim. Once he successfully completes that, we'll get him fitted and ordered. It will be right around the same price. There may be a little bit of inflation by then but I don't presume so because it will be this year.

For the fire academy, Harrisburg
Area Community College, 14 weeks. So he starts
tomorrow. And he's projected to graduate and
provided nothing happens down there with the
class globally on the 14th of December.

And then once he comes back he will start his EMT training as soon as we can get him in the program here locally. So that cost for training is 6,500. For Central Penn College, that was the amount of 2,615. So that is the housing for while he's down there.

And that's what HACC recommends is in close proximity to the public safety training center. So them are the big expenditures for the month. One hundred eighty-eight hours of overtime was scheduled at the beginning of the month. That is for September. Thirty-one part-time shifts were put out.

That's pretty much where we're at as far as the report. I'll give you the call numbers for August. For August 1st to 31st, fire department had three fire calls. Over pressure explosion type calls, one; that could be anything from an overheated boiler or anything of that nature.

Rescue and EMS calls were 22;
hazardous conditions with no fire were 8;
service calls were 14; good intent were 4;
false alarms and false calls were 16; severe
weather and natural disasters was 1 and special
type incidents was 5 ending the month of August
at 74 calls.

We're starting our -- this is the month that we start liking people to call for smoke detectors. We have them free of charge. Now people start putting the heat on and everything, so if you know of anybody that is interested, it is posted on the website. They could call fire headquarters. We'll go and install them.

MR. O'MALLEY: If there's a false alarm or a false report, is there some kind of fine or something? Do they get a bill?

1 CHIEF DENAPLES: There is. However, 2 the way these are entered into the system, so 3 where do a lot of these come from is Marywood 4 University. So the only time you could bill 5 through the Borough ordinance that is in place if there is something wrong with the system. 6 7 So if someone is curling their hair 8 down there or cooking, that alarm system did 9 its job. You cannot bill them. So that is what the majority of these calls are. 10 11 The intent is false, however, the 12 system isn't faulty. So if it's a faulty 13 system where we keep going back because there's 14 a problem with the system, then we could build 15 them. 16 ALL MEMBERS: Thank you. 17 MR. WOLFF: Number 12, public 18 comment. 19 MS. BRIER: Would anyone from the 20 public like to comment this evening? 21 MR. WOLFF: Number 13, public 22 officials. I have nothing. 23 ATTY. PERRY: Nothing. 24 MAYOR CONWAY: I have nothing. 25 MR. LOUGHNEY: Nothing, just happy

1 birthday to Greg. 2 MR. WOLFF: Thank you. 3 MR. LOUGHNEY: Officially in the 4 minutes. 5 MR. DEMPSEY: No, the only thing I have is that we met with the Scranton Public 6 7 Library and they are going to be leasing out 8 the front computer room and two of the offices 9 in the back. 10 So it will be a welcome addition to 11 an already pretty busy community center. It's 12 a great addition. MS. BRIER: That's fantastic. Are 13 14 they going to put in like --MR. DEMPSEY: I think it's more of, 15 16 like, their operations. They'll have books and 17 everything. And with the Head Start here, I 18 think they will do classes and different things 19 like that. 20 MS. BRIER: Yeah, Head Start is back 21 in the building. It's so nice to see them. 22 MR. DEMPSEY: That's it. 23 MR. O'MALLEY: I want to 24 congratulate Pam and Warner Shotto on the 25 opening of their new coffee shop Wired and

Inspired. I was at the ribbon cutting with Councilman Dempsey and Mr. Wolff, the Mayor, very nice, beautiful place.

So I just want to wish them good luck. And I want to thank Councilman Tom Hallinan, Brian McGurl, Posie Lavelle for all of their work on making this season's Music Fest a success. There's one more to go. And I'm sure Councilman Hallinan will mention that. That's all.

MS. BRIER: Tommy.

MR. HALLINAN: The only thing I have is we're looking at with the Mayor and Greg one way -- I hope you are starting the process of Calvin Street from Apple to Chestnut. Because when that starts -- that other building, it's going to be a nightmare on that street. So I think it's a wise thing to do.

MS. BRIER: Which way would it be going?

MR. HALLINAN: We're coming from South Apple towards Chestnut. There's like five, six homes on the block. And they all park on that side of the street anyway. So it's just commonsense. But obviously we'll go

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1	through the process of doing it correctly and
2	Mr. Wolff and the Mayor on that. Thank you.
3	That's all I have.
4	MS. BRIER: Thanks.
5	MS. ZANGARDI: I'm good. Thank you.
6	Thank you for coming everybody.
7	MS. OVEN: I'm good.
8	MS. BRIER: Nibs, did you get a
9	chance? Did you get a turn?
10	MR. LOUGHNEY: Yeah.
11	MS. BRIER: Okay. All right.
12	MR. LOUGHNEY: I wished Greg happy
13	birthday.
14	MS. BRIER: Oh, that's right. You
15	know, it's funny the last Council meeting it
16	was my birthday. It's weird. Well, I don't
17	have anything. So thank you very much,
18	everyone, all the department heads.
19	MR. WOLFF: Just a motion to
20	adjourn.
21	MR. LOUGHNEY: So moved.
22	MS. BRIER: And a second?
23	MR. DEMPSEY: Second.
24	MR. HALLINAN: Second.
25	MS. BRIER: All those in favor?

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1	MR. LOUGHNEY: Aye.	
2	MR. DEMPSEY: Aye.	
3	MR. O'MALLEY: Aye.	
4	MS. BRIER: Aye.	
5	MS. OVEN: Aye.	
6	MS. ZANGARDI: Aye.	
7	MR. HALLINAN: Aye.	
8	MS. BRIER: Okay.	
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