

QUAKER VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
MONTHLY BOARD OF DELEGATES MEETING

January 21, 2026

The meeting took place at the Sewickley Public Library (500 Thorn Street, Sewickley, PA 15143) and was also broadcast and recorded via Zoom and made available on the QVCOG website at the conclusion of the proceedings.

Julie Barnes called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken.

The following members were in attendance:

**Aleppo:**

**Avalon:** Maxwell Swartwout

**Bell Acres:**

**Bellevue:** Dan McKelvey\*

**Ben Avon:** Rick Wagner\*

Colleen Neal\*, Anne Weaver\*

**Edgeworth:**

**Emsworth:** Paul Getz\*

**Sewickley Heights:** Nate Briggs\*

**Glen Osborne:** Matthew Doebler

**Glenfield:** Gail Davis

**Haysville:**

**Kilbuck:** Daryl Hartman

**Leet:** Donna Adipietro

**Leetsdale:** Maria Napolitano\*

**Sewickley:** Julie Barnes

**Sewickley Hills:** Hunter Hopkins

\*Attended the meeting via Zoom.

**Introduction of new QVCOG Board Delegates:** Gail Davis introduced herself as the new delegate from Glenfield Borough, Bri Erskine the new Mayor of Bellevue was introduced, Colleen Neal was introduced from Ben Avon Borough, Anne Weaver from Ben Avon Borough was introduced.

**QVCOG 2026 Reorganization (Appointment of Officers):**

The Board of Directors will elect the following officers from within the Board of Directors: 1. **President**, 2. **Vice President**, and 3. **Treasurer**.

The President of the QVCOG Board of Directors will: (1) approve the agenda for meetings of the Board of Directors; (2) preside over the meetings of the Board of Directors; and (3) sign checks;

If the President is unwilling or unable to perform his or her duties, the Vice President will serve as Acting President. He noted the Vice President will sign checks; and

The Treasurer of the QVCOG Board of Directors will: (1) sign checks; and (2) provide oversight over financial reports and audits.

### **QVCOG Board President**

After some discussion, Ms. Napolitano nominated Ms. Barnes to serve as President of the QVCOG Board of Delegates for 2026. Seconded by Mr. Hopkins. With no further nominations, Ms. Barnes moved to appoint as QVCOG Board of Delegates President for 2026. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

### **QVCOG Board Vice-President**

After some discussion, Ms. Adipietro nominated Ms. Napolitano to serve as Vice-President of the QVCOG Board of Delegates for 2026. With no further nominations, Mr. Hopkins moved to appoint Ms. Maria Napolitano as QVCOG Board of Delegates Vice-President for 2026. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

### **QVCOG Treasurer**

After some discussion, Mr. Hopkins nominated Mr. Daryl Hartman as Treasurer of the QVCOG Board of Delegates for 2026. With no further nominations, Ms. Barnes moved to appoint Mr. Daryl Hartman as QVCOG Treasurer for 2026. Mr. Doebler seconded the motion. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Public Comment:** None.

### **Approval of December 17, 2025 Meeting Minutes:**

Mr. Wagner moved to approve the December 17, 2025 meeting minutes as presented. Ms. Adipietro seconded the motion. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

### **Approval of December Financial Reports, Payroll, and Unpaid Bills:**

Subsequently, Mr. Wagner moved to approve the December financial reports, unpaid bills, and employee payrolls as presented. Ms. Adipietro seconded the motion. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

### **President's Report:**

President Barnes discussed the search for the new Executive Director and the updated job description and the opportunity to potentially interact with the candidate. Ms. Barnes also discussed the role of the COG to new delegates.

### **Route 65 Report:**

President Barnes discussed the grant that is in place currently on this project and that ongoing engagement by the COG will be requested.

### **Emergency Preparedness Committee Report:**

No report was provided.

### **Grant Status Report:**

Interim Executive Director Dailey provided brief updates concerning all active CDBG & GEDTF projects.

## **Executive Director's Report:**

### LSA Grant Announcement –

**2024 Valley Veterans Association** from Glenfield Borough for HVAC project was award. COG will be expected to assist with bidding possibly.

**Regional Welcome Sign** – Ms. Barnes discussed this grant program that promoted similar design standards being collaborated with the COG through Michael Baker. There was a survey update requested of each municipality.

**Hard to Recycle Event** – PRC contacted the COG office for the annual collection event. An agreement is expected to arrive soon along with the invoice.

**COG office mail:** BIU has moved to Moon Township and with that move, their mailing address was the same as the COG so has created some challenges.

**Chatham Sustainability Partnership** – A brief update was provided on the work of this partnership to look at our refuse contract for sustainability and future bidding opportunities.

### **New Business:**

**Executive Director Search** – a brief update was provided on the search and explanation of the Director's position and the work they do for the COG and its members.

### **Old Business:**

None.

### **Other Concerns of the Delegates:**

Avalon Borough: Reported that the pool will be open this summer and a new concession vendor will be utilized.

Bellevue Borough: Mr. McKelvey new fence at Memorial Park was damaged this winter from joy riding. Two snow plows were down heading into the snow storm.

Ben Avon Borough: Mr. Wagner reported that there were four new Council members elected and the renewal of the police services contract with Avalon is being developed. He also requested any information on speed signs others may be using.

Glen Osborne Borough: Mr. Doebler reported on the Post Gazette being many communities paper of record being a concern as well as need for electronic advertising.

Glenfield Borough: Ms. Davis discussed an industrial company selling and zoning issues they are facing.

Kilbuck Township: Mr. Hartman reported on similar speed issues in neighborhood and park, with interest in speed signs as well.

Leet Township: Ms. Adipietro reported salt facility planning is underway.

Leetsdale Borough: Ms. Napolitano reported that a new Borough Manager was hired, Janet Milkos. Also reported a \$100k phase 2 grant received for Hanley Park for shelter and ADA accessibility.

Sewickley Borough: Ms. Barnes reported on updated goals of Council assigned during the budget process. North Park improvements, walkability improvements around the Borough.

Sewickley Heights: Mr. Hopkins expressed interest in participating in the Refuse Contract development and to also participate in the Chatham Sustainability partnership. He also discussed a recent plan for their park that will open doors for future grants. There was some discussion on how grants get written by vendors, community members, and staff.

**Adjournment:** Mr. Hopkins moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Swarthout. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote and the meeting was adjourned at 8:17 pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 18, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. and will take place at the Sewickley Public Library (500 Thorn Street, Sewickley, PA 15143). The meeting will be simultaneously broadcast on the Zoom platform, open to the public, and recorded. Please visit [qvcog.org](http://qvcog.org) for further information.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Interim Executive Director