

Minutes JBCCC Meeting September 9, 2026

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Larry followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. 19 members were present.

Judy gave the Treasurer's Report. Motion to accept the Treasurer Report was made by Joe Curran, 2nd by Sal LoPresti. All were in favor, motion carried with a minor correction.

Treasurer's Report

Balance July 31	\$ 12,489.31
Total Deposits Aug	\$ 3,243.00
Expenses May	\$ <u>2,563.60</u>
August balance	\$ 13,168.71

Secretary's Report:

Minutes from the August 2026 meeting were read by JoAnn
Motion to accept the secretary's report was made by:
Dave Kost, 2nd by Dave Curran All were in favor, motion carried
also with a minor correction

As of September 9, 2026 we have 182 members. 163 members are paid and 19 members unpaid

Webmaster Report:

Debby reported all birthdays and emails are up to date. Minutes are on the web site. Eventually this info will be transferred to the new Web site. Debby reported Lehighton is having an America 250 parade on September 26th. We have not received any information on it. If anyone wants to attend, they can but it is on the same day as Lansford Alive to which we already committed and we do not want to pull out at the last minute. CCTI is having their Open House on October 14. We usually participate with a small car show. It falls on our meeting night which will be discussed later. There are 2 car shows this coming week-end and she went over the remaining shows coming up.

Larry commended Maureen for the great job she did on the flyer for Lansford Alive since they did not come up with one on their own. We turned it into a car show instead of a cruise. We will see how it goes to determine whether we will continue participating or not. Larry & Joe Barone discussed this extensively. We will have free pizza and drinks. They will provide the trophies and dash plaques. This is the most involved they have ever been.

It turns out Mrs. Bush's is having a car cruise. It is a smaller venue but they really appreciate our attendance. It started out very small and has grown each year. It is on September 19th with a rain date of September 20th. They are also having a Chili cook off and Debby is participating.

The situation of CCTI being on October 14 was discussed. Larry was going to ask them to possibly start earlier or change the date. Debby noted that they make up their schedules a year in advance so it would be difficult for them to change. As a result, a motion was made by Joe Curran to change our meeting date to October 7th, seconded by Sal Lopresti, all were in favor, motion carried.

Steve is not here tonight. He had surgery on his foot. He is doing well.

Howard has been having health issues lately. He is at Mahoning Valley Rehab. JoAnn called

Debbie to see what the Club can do to cheer him up. Joe Barone went to visit him and said he was doing very well. He still has his sense of humor. Joe said he seemed pretty good and is very aware of what is going on.

Things are going very well at the Firehouse thanks to Pat Rogers with his high position as President. He and Larry speak quite often. Larry brought up the Christmas party and asked Pat to give his thoughts on the event. Pat would like to form a committee to help him with the planning. He asked for volunteers. He said he would schedule meetings. Unless there are any objections, he suggested that the menu stay the same. The date will be the second Wednesday which is December 9, 2020. Larry stated that he would like to replicate the last 2 Christmas parties since they were so successful. If we could do that it would be a high level of success.

Highlighting the 25th Anniversary car show, over all it was a success. We learned a few things that would be beneficial if we were to plan another event like that. We gained a few new members. Everybody did a great job. Weather played a big role in the lower than expected turn out but over all, anyone who attended had a good time and spoke highly of the event.

Larry is working with Trey on the new web site. The site is a rough draft with a lot of jukeboxes as placeholders for different items.

JoAnne asked about Zoom. It was put on the back burner for a while due to all the planning for the 25th Anniversary. Larry said he would get back on it again,

Larry spoke again with Bill and Donna Gentile. Although they are retiring they told Larry if we ever needed them for an event, they would help us out.

We did get a donation from Sunny Sip, the lemonade stand, from the 25th Anniversary event.

We got very positive feedback from the founding members. They really appreciated the life time memberships. Sal Lopresti thanked the Club members at the meeting.

We did very well at West Penn Archery Club. There were 92 cars. They were very happy. We got a \$200 donation from them for our help. Dave Kost spoke to them and was told they raised \$4000. Our Club may have not made a lot of money but we certainly made a lot of friends. A spectator told Dave that this was the first car show he attended where a car Club didn't ask for anything. Debby noted that the members of the archery club are all volunteers and the kids can come to the archery club and practice archery for free. The money raised by the archery club helps support the kids that enter into competition.

We will start planning the big car show in lieu of Blockers in early 2027. Blockers is planning a big show in 2028 to celebrate their 80th anniversary.

Our October cruise will be starting at 3PM. Pat assured us that food would be available. There will be no platter at the October cruise, which is usually the case.

Larry and Pat discussed the Cruise Schedule for 2027 to make sure there are no other key events conflicting with our 4th Friday of the month cruises. We were lucky at the last cruise. We had 57 cars. The weather was perfect, perfect, perfect BUT there were other events that weekend. We had a conflict with the West End Fair, Carlisle, Wheels of Time and High School football. We would have had a banner show if not for all of those other events. Larry and Pat were trying to look ahead and trying to avoid any conflicts for next year. We strive for the 4th

Friday of the month but may have to change some dates to avoid conflicts and have a better chance at better attendance. Pat proposed the dates for next year. Joe Curran made a motion to accept the new cruise dates for next year, seconded by Dave Curran and Joe Boyle and everyone else, all were in favor, motion carried. A sample cruise schedule will be available at the next meeting.

New Members

Roger & Tamara Meckes
Jim Thorpe, PA
Sponsored by JoAnne Seeger

Michael T. Snyder
Palmerton, PA
Sponsored by Les Turner

Motion was made by Dave Kost to accept new members, seconded by Sal LoPresti and Harry Lewis, all were in favor, motion carried.

We got a thank you letter from Family Promise and Shepherd House for our donation to their Organizations.

Larry reminded everyone about Mrs. Bush's on September 19th, our upcoming car cruise on September 25th and Lansford Alive on September 26th.

Pat told us about the platter choice for the September 25th cruise which will be Potato Chip Chicken, mashed potatoes, carrots, salad, roll and butter and dessert.

Steve wanted Larry to ask the members if they had any door prize-type items that they didn't want or are not using and would be willing to donate them to the Club for door prizes to save him from having to hunt for more. Because of his surgery, he will not be at the next 2 cruises and we will need volunteers to help set up and man the registration table.

Dave Curran made a motion to donate \$300 to Lehigh Pools. Harry, Sal, Joe Curran and Frank seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carried. Judy made the check out tonight and gave it to Joe Curran to present it to them.

Larry stated the Club is doing well economically which enables us to give back to the Community which is our mantra. We must keep in mind one of the big expenses coming up will be for the Christmas party.

Sal LoPresti made a motion to increase the donation to the Fire house. We still have to see what moving to the new web site is going to cost the Club. Judy suggested we set aside \$1000 for this project. Joe Boyle said Mauch Chunk Rod & Gun Club is satisfied with the \$500 donation. The donation increases will be tabled until the October meeting.

Brian Price with his 1991 GMC pick-up won the Best of Cruise metal plaque prize produced and chosen by the Fire house.

With there being no further business Joe Curran made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Harry Lewis and Joe Barone, all were in favor, motion carried. Meeting closed at 8:15 PM

