

# **Mayor's Report to Council and Citizens Borough of Waynesboro — June 17, 2026**

## **Police Department Drone Program**

The Waynesboro Police Department's drone program went live earlier this month. We currently have one certified pilot, with additional officers pursuing certification in the near future. Our goal is to have one or more drone operators available on each shift.

The drone has already been utilized in investigations and has proven to be a valuable tool for our department.

## **Police Recruitment and Retention**

The three officers we most recently hired will begin their employment with the Borough on June 29, pending Council approval. They will begin the police academy in July and will remain in training through December.

The addition of these three officers brings us to a full complement of 21 officers. This marks the first time in eight years that the Waynesboro Police Department has been fully staffed.

## **America 250 Banners**

Earlier this week, Borough staff, along with local artists Larry Selman, Greg Small, and Andy Smetzer, hung 107 banners throughout downtown Waynesboro to commemorate America's 250th birthday.

This project represents the culmination of several months of dedicated work by these individuals and many others. The banners add a special touch to our downtown and help celebrate this historic milestone in our nation's history.

## **PSAB Conference**

Earlier this month, I attended the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs (PSAB) Annual Conference. I will provide Council with a report on the conference at next month's meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Dade Royer Mayor, Borough of Waynesboro