

MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

May 1, 2023

7:00PM Council Meeting

THE BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL SHALL BE CONDUCTED IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

1. Call to Order by presiding officer
Moment of silence, Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll Call (if quorum is not present, the meeting shall thereupon be Adjourned to a specific date by the majority vote of those present)
3. Review and approval of agenda.
4. Presentation
5. Citizen Correspondence/Personal Appeals - Agenda Items
6. Approval of the preceding meeting minutes if correct and rectifying mistakes if any exist.
7. Business Not Ready for Action or No Action Needed
8. Old Business
9. Introduction of Ordinances and Resolutions
10. New Business
11. Added Items
12. Citizen Correspondence/Personal Appeals - Non-Agenda Items
13. Adjournment

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER BY PRESIDING OFFICER: Council President Nelson Learn

ITEM 2. ROLL CALL (Attendance)

<u>COUNCIL MEMBERS</u> <u>& MAYOR</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
LEARN	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>			
JARRETT	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	Chief of Police	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
LEWIS	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	Solicitor	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
MOCCIA	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	Engineer	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
TALANCA	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	DPW Foreman	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
TROIANI	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	Reporter(s)	<u>PE (Susan Schwartz)</u>	
WOZNIAK	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>		<u>WYLN, FOX 56</u>	
MAYOR BURKE	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>	Fire Chief	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
DAMIEN SCOBLINK, MANAGER	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>			

Council met in executive session at 6:00 p.m. today, for the purpose of discussing collective bargaining strategy.

ITEM 3. REVIEW & APPROVE CURRENT AGENDA:

Discussion - None

Motion: Mr. Jarrett Second: Mr. Talanca

All in favor, agenda approved as presented.

ITEM 4. PRESENTATIONS:

- Christine Milder, Barry Isett & Associates - MS-4 Program Update
- Connie Donlin, Berwick Arts Association - Arts Update

ITEM 5. Citizen Correspondence / Personal Appeals - Agenda Items

None

ITEM 6. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PRECEDING MEETINGS

- Regular Council Meeting of April 17, 2023.

Discussion - Borough Manager confirmed that no information has been provided regarding the ownership status of homes that are candidates for condemnation, per Council's discussion at April 17 meeting.

Motion: Ms. Wozniak Second: Mr. Moccia

ITEM 7. BUSINESS NOT READY FOR ACTION:

1. Eaton Street Project Meeting - Borough Manager provided update on the status of the project, and encouraged Council to participate as future meetings are scheduled.
2. CLFRF Reporting - Borough Manager noted that annual reporting has been completed.
3. IT Provider Update - Borough Manager provided update on recent server concern, and new IT provider's ability to provide a solution.
4. Around the Table
 - a. Ms. Wozniak - Informed Council that meetings continue to occur about a possible hospital solution.
 - b. Mr. Kyttle - Reported on the success of the Heights Road project during a recent storm event.

ITEM 8. OLD BUSINESS:

None

ITEM 9. APPROVAL OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

None

ITEM 10. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider and take action to approve payment of Nationwide Fixture Installations, Inc., Invoice #10230258, in the amount of \$12,500, to be paid utilizing CLFRF funds.

Discussion: Borough Manager noted that installation is due to start next week.

Motion: Ms. Troiani Second: Mr. Lewis Approved,
Denied, Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

2. Consider and take action to approve payment of Dave Halman Chevrolet, Inc. Invoice of 4/19/2023, in the amount of \$61,788, to be partially reimbursed by state recycling grant.

Discussion: None

Motion: Mr. Lewis Second: Ms. Troiani Approved,
Denied, Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

3. Consider and take action to approve payment of A&H Equipment Company Invoice #03 F01231, in the amount of \$37,964, to be partially reimbursed by state recycling grant.

Discussion: None

Motion: Ms. Troiani Second: Mr. Talanca Approved,
Denied, Tabled

4. Consider and take action to approve payment of A&H Equipment Company Invoice #02 F01231, in the amount of \$15,000, to be paid utilizing General Fund.

Discussion: Borough Manager explained funding options, recommended use of general fund.

Motion: Mr. Jarrett Second: Ms. Wozniak Approved,
 Denied, Tabled

5. Consider and take action to approve United Way request to hold Celebrate Berwick event on August 5, 2023.

Discussion: None

Motion: Ms. Wozniak Second: Mr. Talanca Approved,
 Denied, Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

ITEM 11. ADDED ITEMS

None

ITEM 12. Citizen Correspondence / Personal Appeals - Non-Agenda Items

- Mr. Dave Casaldi, Eagle Hose Company - Requested that Council allow Andrew Shecktor to speak on behalf of Eagle Hose.
- Andrew Shecktor - Was asked by Eagle Hose to present to Council regarding reinstatement. Read through a list of concerns, some personal. Provided qualifications to speak on this issue. Presented a letter formally requesting an executive session meeting with Council to discuss. Borough Manager noted that this would likely not fall under what is allowable as an executive session. Council noted that a request for reinstatement should begin with seeking a recommendation for such from Fire Board.

ITEM 13. ADJOURNMENT: Motion: Ms. Troiani Second: Ms. Wozniak

Meeting adjourned.