

MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

May 15, 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. Approval of Payment of Bills
8. Reports of Committees
9. Business Not Ready for Action or No Action Needed
10. Old Business
11. Introduction of Ordinances and Resolutions
12. New Business
13. Added Items
14. Citizen Correspondence/Personal Appeals - Non-Agenda Items
15. 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> X </u>	<u> </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>Susan Schwartz (PE)</u>	
WOZNIAK	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	Fire Chief	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
MAYOR BURKE	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>			
BOROUGH MANAGER	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>			

ITEM 3. REVIEW & APPROVE CURRENT AGENDA:

Discussion - None

Motion: Mr. Jarrett Second: Mr. Lewis

All in favor, agenda approved.

ITEM 4. PRESENTATION: CDBG FFY 2023 First Public Hearing - Michael Burger, SEDA-COG

ITEM 5. Citizen Correspondence / Personal Appeals - Agenda Items

None

ITEM 6. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PRECEDING MEETINGS

- Regular Council Meeting of May 1, 2023.

Discussion - None

Motion: Ms. Troiani Second: Mr. Moccia

ITEM 7. APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS MOTION: Ms. Wozniak SECOND: Ms. Troiani

ITEM 8. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

MAYOR: Mayor Tim Burke - None

ENGINEER: Quad 3 - None

SOLICITOR: Attorney Frank Kepner - None

PERSONNEL: Tom Moccia, Nelson Learn, Jay Jarrett - None

LEGAL AND FINANCE: Tom Moccia, Nelson Learn, Jay Jarrett - None

PARKS AND RECREATION: Teresa Troiani, Pete Talanca, Jay Jarrett - None

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: Greg Harkins, Jeri Wozniak, Teresa Troiani, Jay Jarrett - None

STREETS, PARKS, & BUILDINGS: Jack Kyttle - Borough Manager reported that the Fitness Court is not complete, and staff is working with supplier to get items corrected and completed. Ms. Troiani brought up previous plan to complete a project somewhere in honor/memory of Scott Bower.

FIRE AND WATER: Jeri Wozniak, Pete Talanca, Bob Lewis - None

CODES, RECYCLING, & ORDINANCES: Nelson Learn, Tom Moccia, Pete Talanca - Mr. Moccia questioned status of Berlin properties discussed at previous meeting. Borough Manager confirmed that no further documentation on ownership had been provided, and staff is progressing with work needing to be completed by June 1.

SAFETY: Bob Lewis - None

POLICE: Chief Ken Strish - Report provided. Reviewed monthly stats.

FIRE: Chief Gene Boone - None

BAJSA REPORT: See Report - Report provided.

ITEM 9. BUSINESS NOT READY FOR ACTION:

1. Schedule walkthrough of Louis Stevens Park - Borough Manager will work on getting walkthrough scheduled as a special meeting.

ITEM 10. OLD BUSINESS:

None

ITEM 11. APPROVAL OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

None

ITEM 12. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider and take action to approve payment of Anthony H. Visco Jr. Architects Invoice #221-33.12, in the amount of \$510, to be paid utilizing CDBG funds.

Discussion: Borough Manager confirmed that this is for the bathroom project.

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

All in favor, motion approved.

2. Consider and take action to approve payment of RK Webster, LLC Invoice #2032, in the amount of \$781.50, to be paid utilizing CDBG funds.

Discussion: Borough Manager identified this and the next item are for a CDBG street reconstruction project.

Motion: Mr. Jarrett Second: Mr. Troiani Approved, Denied, Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

3. Consider and take action to approve payment of RK Webster, LLC Invoice #1996, in the amount of \$2,722.50, to be paid utilizing CDBG funds.

Discussion: None

Motion: Mr. Lewis Second: Mr. Moccia Approved, Denied, Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

4. Consider and take action to approve funding to Berwick Arts Association in the amount of \$5,000 for the installation of mosaic art projects, to be paid utilizing CLFRF funds.

Discussion: None

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

All in favor, motion approved.

5. Consider and take action to authorize 2014 Dodge Charger to be used as trade credit toward purchase of 2023 police vehicle purchase.

Discussion: None

Motion: Ms. Wozniak Second: Ms. Troiani Approved,
 Denied, Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

6. Consider and take action to approve request for sign noting presence of a child with Autism near 1619 Orange Street.

Discussion: None

Motion: Ms. Wozniak Second: Ms. Troiani Approved,
 Denied, Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

7. Consider and take action to approve request for sign noting presence of a child with Autism near 1740 Franklin Street.

Discussion: None

Motion: Ms. Wozniak Second: Ms. Troiani Approved,
 Denied, Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

8. Consider and take action to authorize use of temporary outdoor seating in Euclid Alley as follows: benches only on the north side of Front Street, tables on the south side of Front Street.

Discussion: Council discussed the pros and cons of various options, specifically related to accessibility.

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

All in favor, motion approved.

9. Consider and take action to approve Berwick YMCA's use of Borough owned baseball/softball fields for a summer adult softball league, pending provision of appropriate insurance information and schedule coordination with Berwick Area Little League.

Discussion: Borough Manager clarified fields to be used.

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

All in favor, motion approved.

ITEM 13. ADDED ITEMS

None

ITEM 14. Citizen Correspondence / Personal Appeals - Non-Agenda Items

- Mark Spaid - Questioned whether certain recycling items could be taken to Foughts to produce revenue for the Borough. Also reported issues with Codes department.

ITEM 15. ADJOURNMENT: Motion: Ms. Wozniak Second: Ms. Troiani

Meeting adjourned.