

Borough Council Minutes April 12, 2022 7:30 pm

1. Call to Order, Salute to the Flag and Roll Call 7:43 p.m.

President Kudrich	A	Mr. Alessandra	A	Mr. Ohliger	P	Mr. Long	Α
Mr. Clark	P	Mr. Bush Jr	P	Mr. Myer	P	EPRP Corp Adams	P
Mr. Losee	P	Mr. Maney	P	Ms. Turner	P	Mrs. Salvato	P
Mayor Clark	P	Mr. Prey	Р	Mr. Olver	A	Mr. Bolles	Р
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Public in attendance: approximately 15

2. Vice President's Remarks:

Vice President David Clark presided over the meeting. Noted he would follow the agenda up to new business item E. Then he would adjourn the meeting and Council would enter into executive session to discuss legal issues and then return and take action.

- 3. Motion to amend the agenda: NONE
- 4. Public Comment (When recognized by the president, per Borough Code, state your name and address for the minutes)
 - Rachel Aschoff 501 Ave O: Sought advice of Council regarding her home and mold issues, claiming mold was a result of her home being improperly insulated by a Wayne County weatherization program. She would like to see the program discontinued. Mr. Ohliger noted that the Council is not a dispute resolution body and unfortunately there is nothing the Council can do.
 - Lena Marinaro 100 8th Street inquired about validity of Ordinances that are passed & posted but not signed. Mr. Ohliger responded that what is in file at the office is public record. Also inquired if the Borough requires Air B&B to be licensed. Mr. Ohliger asked her to provide the address of the property in question to Code Enforcement.

5. Unanimous Consent Agenda M: Maney/Bush. AIF

Approval of Minutes –February 1, 2022 Special Meeting & March 8, 2022 Council Approval of Treasurer's Report –March 2022 Approval of bills to be paid March 2022

a. Reports:

- a. Mayor: Janet Clark: Thanked the Heart of Matamoras and McAlteer & Will Estates for the Easter event. Hometown Hero banners will be put up by May 31 and remain up until Veterans Day. Contact the Borough office if anyone wants their banner returned after they are taken down. Mayor Clark noted that she would be throwing the 1st pitch in the game this Saturday at Airport Park.
- b. General Government Committee: Harry Prey: Tax collector fee increase to be discussed later in the meeting.
- c. Fire Committee: Sean Alessandra: Report on file, read by Harry Prey. Upcoming events include jackpot bingo and a carnival.
- d. Public Works: Harry Prey: Read DWP report, report is on file. Brush pickup is scheduled for the day opposite your garbage day. If garbage is picked up on Monday, your brush will be picked up on Tuesday. If your garbage is picked up on Tuesday, your brush will be picked up on Monday. Cleanup around the garage. Upcoming PennDOT meeting for street paving project. Drainage issue on PA Ave, permit has been received. Sewer jet cleaner will be scrapped.
- e. Facilities Committee: John Bush Jr.: Met with Bryan Snyder regarding a grant application for ADA compliance for the Borough Hall, will be having another meeting next week. Will go over plans for revamping Borough Hall during next months meeting when all members of council are present.
- f. Finance Committee: Mr. Clark: Solid shape financially. Deadline of April 30 to file report with the Federal Government exactly where we spent the Covid grant money. This is being worked on and will be filed.
- g. Planning: Mark Madsen: Not present
- h. EPRPD: Corp Adams: Report read and is on file.
- i. Recreation Advisory Board: Lisa Silvato: Successful community cleanup, 15 volunteers, Home Depot donated rakes and shovels. Mr. Maney wanted to thank McAteer & Will Estates for the Easter extravaganza, the fire department for delivering the Easter Bunny, Eastern Pike for directing traffic and Shawn Bolles for all his help. Mr. Bolles estimated attendance to be around 600 to 700 people.
- j. Fire Chief: Tom Long: Not present, report on file.
- k. Emergency Management: Tom Olver: Not present. Report is on file.
- Police Commission: Dave Clark and Sean Alessandra: Noted that there is a lack of Officers and candidates for new Officers. The past two years they have been shorthanded. This is not unique to EPRPD. Mr. Clark expressed his thanks to the EPRPD for continuing to serve under these conditions.
- m. Code Enforcement: Code Enforcement/Park Manager: Shawn Bolles: A few zoning applications have been received, he will be focusing on unregistered uninspected vehicles that have been reported, property maintenance issues. The fields at the park all have new clay, playground has new mulch. Damage on the field due to a person 4-wheeling. They were caught by EPRPD and we will be following through with prosecution. Also, illegal dumping was caught on camera last night. Footage is being reviewed. Mr. Clark stated the Exxon station and the house next to it cause many complaints from residents. Mr. Bolles responded that he would be sending violation notices about property maintenance. Mr. Bolles inspected the building, the foundation is not caving in; the roof is compromised and for that the building can be condemned. He will address it.
- n. Sewage: Dave Clark: The Borough is still following through with sewage, reapplying for the Act 537 permit, there is some contract work that needs to be completed by the municipalities before we can resubmit for sewage approval.

o. All other reports are on file

Police Report X	Recreation	Police Commission	
Planning X	Fire Department X	Municipal Authority X	
Myer & Meyer Financial Report X	Berkheimer EIT Report X	Pike Tax Maintenance Updates X	

7. Correspondence:

- a. PennDOT: Highway Occupancy Permit application returned for revisions dated 03/09/2022
- PennDOT: Highway Occupancy Permit application approved; permit issued dated 04/04/2022
- c. **Pike County Workforce Development Agency:** Summer Youth Program. Mr. Maney noted the application was submitted and we are waiting for a response.
- d. Letter from Johnny Llewellyn: Eagle Scout Project.
- e. UGI Utilities: Thank you letter
- f. Zimmerman/Ohliger: Act 537 Plan RE: meeting with other solicitors.
- g. Pike County Commissioner: Fishing Derby Saturday April 23rd
- h. Pike Count Commissioner: Semi quincentennial (America250PA)
- i. Letter From Anthony Waldron re Wade Trust
- j. Letter of Response from Jason Ohliger re Wade Trust
- 8. Added agenda items: None

9. Old Business:

- a. Wade Trust Committee: Mr. Maney: Last recreation meeting discussed setting up a committee. Recommendations from Recreation would be President of the Recreation Advisory Board, President of Council and Chairman of Recreation. This will be discussed further in the next Borough Council meeting.
- b. Motion to increase administrator fee for the borough tax collector from \$5.00 to \$10.00. Motion: Prey/Bush Jr. All in favor.

10. New Business:

- a. Motion to advertise for Spring Cleanup May 7, 2022, cars: \$20, trucks \$30, large truck \$40. M: Prey/Maney. All in favor.
- b. Motion to submit application to Workforce Development to coordinate summer youth program. M: Bush Jr/Maney. All in favor.
- c. Motion to approve Eagle Scout request from Johnny Llewellyn to restore historical markers in town. M: Losee/Prey. All in favor. Historical society will pay for the paint and offered assistance.
- **d.** Motion to approve Shepherd Dog Club June 2nd through June 4th, 2022. **M: Prey/Maney. All in favor.**
- e. Motion to approve Fourth of July event scheduled for Monday July 4th, 2022 hosted by McAteer & Will Estates contingent upon meeting with the Fire Department, EPRPD and EMA. **M: Prey/Bush Jr. All favor.**
- f. Motion to go to executive session to discuss a legal matter. Upon return, Council will be taking action. M: Maney/Prey. All in favor.

Executive Session: 8:23 p.m.

Back in Session: 8:55

- a. Motion to retain Zimmerman & Ohliger for Land Use Appeal. M: Prey/Maney. All in favor.
- **b.** Motion to authorize Jason Ohliger to accept Land Use appeal and file response. **M: Prey/Maney. All in favor.**

11. Public Comment:

- a. Linda Kozak 707 Ave K: Inquired if the spring cleanup and list of items be listed on the borough web? A: Yes, basically the same as last year. Wanted to know what land use appeal Council was referring to. A: The matter is pending litigation. It is a land use appeal that was filed by Mr. Robys company in relation to the On the Road subdivision.
- b. Lena Marinara 100 8th Street: Commented the Heart of Matamoras has something planned once a month and wanted everyone to know they are trying to bring "fun" back to Matamoras. Mr. Clark recommended she share info with the secretary.
- c. Linda Kozak 707 Ave K: Noted she hasn't received any notices from the Borough included in her water bill. A: They are not in every bill. She should expect to see one in the current bill that has been recently mailed.
- d. Pam Conklin 402 Ave L: With respects to the flyer, going forward social media will need to be used. A: Mr. Clark agreed and noted that 3 times a year the newsletter that is included within the water bill can be used to share event information.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made Mr. Maney seconded by Mr. Bush Jr. to adjourn at 9:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Borough Secretary