

Special Meeting Minutes

Borough of Matamoras

Meeting of October 2, 2024, 6:30 pm

Call to Order, Salute the Flag, and Roll Call Time: 6:36

President Kudrich	P	Mr. Bush Jr	A	Mr. Ohliger Solicitor	P	Fire Chief Kowinsky	A
Vice President Madsen	P	Mr. Maney	P	Mr. Myer Treasurer	A	Assistant Chief Stewart	A
Mayor Homer	A	Mrs. Salvato	P	Ms. Turner Tax Collector	A	Mr. Bolles Zoning Officer	A
Mr. Prey	P	Ms. O'Leary Jr. Council	A	Mr. Olver EMA	A		
Mr. Alessandra	P	Mr. Carso Jr. Council	A				

No members of the public were present.

President's Remarks: The purpose of this Special Meeting is to discuss assignment and transfer of the responsibility for solid waste collection from the Borough to the Municipal Authority and any other business that may arise. This Special Meeting was advertised in the Pocono Record on September 27, 2024.

Mr. Ohliger noted that the Municipal Authority Solicitor Jim Barron is currently at the Municipal Authority meeting. The Authority is drafting a resolution requesting that the Borough amend their Articles to expand the power of the Municipality. The Borough will then need to amend the current ordinance that sets out the articles. By January 1st we are on track to have the Municipal Authority collect garbage legally.

Our current garbage ordinance needs to be changed. A draft is being worked on. He suggested that it may be too specific. Would suggest a more general requirement that the residents use the receptacles that are required by the contracted provider.

Vinny Cordova of the Municipal Authority volunteered to write a letter to be included in the next water bill, being sent out mid-October, explaining the change to the garbage collection services. A copy of the letter was provided to the Council for review and approval. The Council discussed the various plans that may be implemented.

Motion to approve the Municipal Authority to send a letter explaining the upcoming change in the October Municipal Authority bill. M: Prey/Alessandria. All in favor.

A motion to recess for 30 minutes was made by Mr. Maney, seconded by Mr. Prey at 6:49. All in favor.

A motion to reopen the meeting was made by Mr. Madsen, seconded by Mr. Maney at 7:47. All in favor.

The Council was provided with a copy of the resolution that was adopted this evening by the Municipal Authority during their meeting.

A motion to authorize the Solicitor to draft an ordinance to adopt the resolution sent to us by the Municipal Authority was made by Mr. Prey, seconded by Mr. Maney. All in favor.

A motion to advertise a Public Hearing in November to consider the adoption of the ordinance adopting the Municipal Authority resolution was made by Mrs. Salvato, seconded by Mr. Prey. All in favor.

A motion was made by Mr. Madsen, seconded by Mr. Prey to send the draft garbage ordinance and any other garbage related ordinances to the Planning Commission for review. All in favor.

A motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Salvato and seconded by Mr. Madsen at 7:50. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Marianne Brown
Borough Secretary