

AGENDA
ECONOMY BOROUGH COUNCIL
8 Sep 2020

- I Call to Order; Moment of Silence, Pledge of Allegiance; Roll Call; Welcome Media
- Ia Mr William Vescio – Pensions update
- II **Hear the Public** (please restrict to Boro business and 3 to 5 minutes)
- III **Minutes** 11 Sug 2020
25 Aug 2020
- IV **Committee Reports**
Public Safety -
Property/Building
Finance – LOB
Public Works –
Parks/Recreation -
Ordinance –
- V **Mayor's Report**
- Solicitor**
- Engineer** Compton Rd – 5 ton weight limit study; the results of the study will be announced
- VI **Old Business** Huey claim – flood damage 109 Lyndon (nothing new)
Cable Franchise Agreement – (Council reviewing, to be addressed toward the end of 2020)
- VII **New Business** Accept Liz Petalino's Resignation effective September 2nd.
- VIII **Other** The 2021 Minimum Municipal Obligations (MMOs) (the amounts required to be put into the pension plans in order to continue to receive pension support from the State) were put in your boxes on 26 Aug 2020. Those amounts will be incorporated into the 2021 budget. The Minutes will reflect you received the MMOs.

Economy Borough Council
Council Minutes
August 11, 2020

MEETING was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with Mr. Frank Morrone presiding and the following members of Council and officials of the Borough present: Mr. Gary Bucuren, Mr. Roger Kowal, Mr. Jeffrey Ruckert (via teleconference), Mr. Don Sivy, Mr. Glenn Sylvester and Mrs. Pat Skonieczny (via teleconference). Mayor Jo Ann Borato, Borough Manager Randy Kunkle, Borough Assistant Manager/Secretary Travis Cavanaugh, representing the Borough Solicitor Mr. Joseph Askar, Esq. (via teleconference), and Borough Engineer Mr. Scott Shoup. There were also 11 participants via teleconference.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS –

Mr. Morrone welcomed everyone to the meeting and requested the discussion(s) regarding Borough business be kept to 3 – 5 minutes in length.

Davide Luidelli of 2061 Big Sewickley Creek Road, Sewickley
Cheryl Ashbaugh of 2061 Big Sewickley Creek Road, Sewickley
John Hrinko of 222 Park Hill Road, Baden

HEAR THE PUBLIC –

Mr. Luidelli and Ms. Ashbaugh expressed concerns about Penn Energy not using a water truck to spray the new Amsler Ridge Road from the dust that is being created. Mr. Bowers stated that he will address the issue with the water truck not being used on the road. Mr. Kowal had the same concerns about the water truck not being used on the road. Mr. Bowers also stated that they will be starting to pave the road on Thursday.

Mr. Hrinko asked Council about an update on the speed bumps along Park Hill Road. Mr. Sivy mentioned that Council will be talking about the speed humps later on in the meeting.

MINUTES –

Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on July 28, 2020, were presented to Council. **On a motion by Mr. Kowal; seconded by Mr. Bucuren** to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of July 28, 2020, as presented. Motion was unanimously approved.

Mayor Borato asked about the minutes and why they need to be revised so many times. Mr. Askar mentioned the corrections to the minutes should be brought up during the regular meeting.

Discussion continued about the minutes.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE –

Mr. Ruckert mentioned that the police bargaining unit and the public safety committee came into an agreeance with a one (1) year contract extension with two-point seventy five percent (2.75%) pay increase.

On a motion by Mr. Sivy; seconded by Mr. Kowal to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Borough of Economy Police Officers Association with the one (1) year contract extension with two-point seventy five percent (2.75%) pay increase. Motion was unanimously approved.

A roll call vote was taken.

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| Mr. Morrone | Yes |
| Mr. Bucuren | Yes |
| Mr. Kowal | Yes |
| Mr. Ruckert | Yes |
| Mr. Sivy | Yes |
| Mr. Sylvester | Yes |
| Mrs. Skonieczny | Yes |

PROPERTY and BUILDING COMMITTEE – No agenda item at this time.

FINANCE COMMITTEE – No agenda item at this time.

PUBLIC WORKS (PW) COMMITTEE –

Mr. Sivy, Chairperson of the Public Works Committee, presented Council with PW Report for July 2020. After some review and discussion this report was ordered received and filed.

Mr. Sivy mentioned that Mr. Brickner wanted to “thank” Council, Mr. Kunkle and Mr. Cavanaugh for working on getting the wheel loader for the public works department.

Discussion occurred pertaining to the speed humps along Park Hill Road.

On a motion by Mr. Bucuren; seconded by Mr. Sivy to install all 5 speed humps along Park Hill Road. Motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Sivy mentioned about paving the section on Amsler Ridge Road from the Penn Energy well pad entrance to Apple Grove Road at an estimated cost of \$ 82,000.00. Mr. Shoup gave a breakdown on the cost to do the milling work for the section of pavement to be added to this year’s road program. Discussion occurred on whether to do the milling or not.

Mrs. Skonieczny asked Mr. Shoup if the Borough would be paving Amsler Ridge Road if Penn Energy was in the area or not. Mr. Shoup responded with yes, the road would be getting paved no matter if Penn Energy were in the area or not.

On a motion by Mr. Sivy; seconded by Mr. Morrone to approve the amendment to the Youngblood Paving contract to pave the section of Amsler Ridge Road from the Penn Energy well pad entrance to Apple Grove Road. Motion was unanimously approved.

PARKS and RECREATION COMMITTEE – No agenda item at this time.

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE – No agenda item at this time.

Mr. Sylvester mentioned that him and Mr. Sivy went down to Northern Lights Shopping Center to look at the property. They are both concerned about the possible code violations and would like to have all correspondence between Mr. Thomas and the NLSC owners. Mr. Morrone mentioned about the improvements that Mr. Thomas told him that the owners of the NLSC were going to be doing in the next couple weeks.

Discussion continued about the NLSC.

MAYOR'S REPORT –

Mayor Borato presented Council with updates regarding the following issues:

1. Mayor's Monthly Police Department Report for July 2020 – After some review, this report was ordered received and filed.

Mayor Borato reminded Council to take a look and read the Borough News magazine and specifically look at the questions & answer articles. There are always good questions & answers in the section of the magazine. Also, mentioned about the PUC gas drilling reports from the magazine.

Mayor Borato reminded everyone to try not to use the flushable wipes. They are causing the Economy Borough Municipal Authority to have clogged lines because they do not flow down the pipes properly.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT –

The Borough Solicitor presented Council with updates regarding the following issue(s):

1. Huey Claim – Discussed about the claim that was turned into the Borough.

Mr. Askar mentioned about the workshop meetings and if Council wanted to pursue the workshop meetings.

Discussion continued about the workshop meetings.

On a motion by Mrs. Skonieczny; seconded by Mr. Sylvester to keep the meeting format the same for the rest of the year. Motion was unanimously approved.

2. BLS Transit & Supply – Mentioned that he sent Mr. Dornish an email but did not receive a response from him yet.

ENGINEER'S REPORT –

The Borough Engineer presented Council with updates regarding the following issue(s):

1. Compton Road – Mr. Shoup mentioned about possibly doing a study to reduce the weight limit from 10 tons to 5 tons with an estimated cost of \$ 500.00.

Mr. Bucuren mentioned about the trucks from BLS Transit & Supply still using the section of Compton Road to access the business location. He is concerned about the road already crumbling since it was just paved couple years ago. Discussion continued about whether or not a study will be needed for Compton Road.

On a motion by Mrs. Skonieczny; seconded by Mr. Kowal to have Mr. Shoup do a study on Compton Road to possibly reduce the weight of the road from 10 tons to 5 tons. Motion carried – 6-1, with Mr. Sylvester voting not in favor.

2. Energy Transfer – Mr. Shoup updated about the slide mediation by Neeley Road and there were no more issues with the slide. The B-50 well pad was still being repaired by the Geotech to repair the slide.

OLD BUSINESS –

1. Comcast Franchise Agreement – Mr. Kunkle mentioned that he received a sample franchise agreement from Comcast. He was going to send the draft to Council and if they had any questions to let him know. Mrs. Skonieczny asked if there was any difference between the expired agreement and the new proposed agreement. Mr. Kunkle did not look at the agreement yet to answer that question.
2. Food Truck Ordinance – Mr. Kunkle mentioned that there will be a hearing on August 25th for a possible adoption of the ordinance.

NEW BUSINESS –

1. Valley Waster Service – Discussion occurred to either renew or ask for bids for the refuse service.

On a motion by Mrs. Kowal; seconded by Mr. Sivy to renew the refuse service with Valley Waste Service for one (1) year. Motion carried – 6-1, with Mr. Sylvester voting not in favor.

2. Marciniak/Kenstler Plan of Subdivision – Mr. Kunkle mentioned that Economy Borough Planning Commission, Beaver County Planning Commission, Shoup Engineering and

consultant Michael Baker International all approved the subdivision for recommendation of approval by Council.

On a motion by Mrs. Bucuren; seconded by Mr. Kowal granting both Preliminary and Final Subdivision Approval to the Marciniak/Kerstler Plan of Subdivision. Motion was unanimously approved.

3. Umenhofer Plan of Lots Revision No. 1 – Mr. Kunkle mentioned that Economy Borough Planning Commission, Beaver County Planning Commission, Shoup Engineering and consultant Michael Baker International all approved the subdivision for recommendation of approval by Council.

On a motion by Mr. Kowal; seconded by Mr. Sivy granting both Preliminary and Final Subdivision Approval to the Umenhofer Plan of Lots Revision No. 1. Motion was unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS – No agenda item at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – No agenda item at this time.

MOTION TO ADJOURN –

Motion by Mr. Sylvester; seconded by Mr. Sivy to adjourn the Regular Meeting. Motion was unanimously approved.

The Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Travis Cavanaugh
Asst. Borough Manager/Secretary

Economy Borough Council
Council Minutes
August 25, 2020

Council president Mr. Frank Morrone called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers of the Economy Municipal Building.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL – Mr. Frank Morrone, Mr. Gary Bucuren, Mr. Jeffrey Ruckert, Mr. Don Sivy, Mr. Glenn Sylvester and Mrs. Pat Skonieczny (via teleconference) and Mayor Jo Ann Borato. There were also 7 participants via teleconference.

STAFF PRESENT – Borough Manager Randy Kunkle, Borough Assistant Manager/Secretary Travis Cavanaugh and representing the Borough Solicitor Mr. Joseph Askar, Esq.

ABSENT – Mr. Roger Kowal (Excused)

PUBLIC HEARING –

The Borough Solicitor announced to those in attendance that the public hearing is intended to afford the public an opportunity to comment on the proposed Ordinance No. 473. The Borough Manager verified that the public hearing and Ordinance No. 473, were advertised as required. Ordinance No. 473, is amending Chapter 180, of the Code of the Borough of Economy entitled “Zoning” to establish regulations regarding mobile food vending. Having satisfied all questions and comments, the Borough Solicitor requested a vote to be taken to approve Ordinance No. 473. After some review, **on a motion by Mr. Sivy; seconded by Mr. Morrone** to approve Ordinance No. 473, mobile food vending. Motion was unanimously carried.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS –

Mr. Morrone welcomed everyone to the meeting and requested the discussion(s) regarding Borough business be kept to 3 – 5 minutes in length.

John Hrinko of 222 Park Hill Road, Baden
Thomas Schorr of 208 Fernwood Drive, Baden
Sheila Dattilo of 408 Independence Lane, Freedom
Mike Andrews of 200 Patriot Lane
Cheryl Ashbaugh of 2061 Big Sewickley Creek Road, Sewickley
Laurel Beitsinger of 554 Pioneer Lane, Freedom

HEAR THE PUBLIC –

Mr. Hrinko thanked Council for keeping the speed humps along Park Hill Road.

Mr. Schorr asked Council why they went with John Deere for the new wheel loader. Mr. Sivy mentioned that the main reason was for the warranty and the size of the machine.

Ms. Dattilo expressed her concerns pertaining to the layout of the agendas and items that are missing that might involve Council's action. Also, had concerns about masks not being worn during the meeting.

Mr. Andrews expressed his concerns pertaining to the layout of the agendas along with eighteen (18) other residents that signed a letter with him.

Ms. Ashbaugh wanted to thank Mr. Kowal in helping her get a water truck to go up and down Amsler Ridge Road. She also mentioned why Mr. Kowal had to take the lead on the complaint she had with the water truck along Amsler Ridge Road instead of an employee of the Borough. Mr. Askar mentioned that he sent emails to Mr. Bowers and that the issue was taken care of.

Ms. Beitsinger asked questions pertaining to the slide mediation, Compton Road study and an update on the Oil and Gas ordinance.

MINUTES –

Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 11, 2020, were presented to Council. Mr Sivy mentioned to table the Regular Meeting Minutes of August 11, 2020, to the next regular meeting.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE – No agenda item at this time.

PROPERTY and BUILDING COMMITTEE – No agenda item at this time.

FINANCE COMMITTEE –

1. Bills Payable for the period of July 15, 2020, through August 25, 2020, in the amount of \$ 140,128.19, from the General Fund with Check No. 28839 to 28976, and in the amount of \$ 161,189.32, from the Highway Aid (Liquid Fuels) Fund with the Check No. 188 to 191, were presented to Council for review. After some review and discussion, **on a motion by Mr. Ruckert; seconded by Mr. Sylvester** to approve the list of Bills Payable that have been reviewed and signed off by the department heads was unanimously carried, with the exception of Mr. Bucuren regarding the Public Works bills, due to his brother works in the department.
2. Budget Report for the month of July 2020, was presented to Council. After some review and discussion this report was ordered received and filed.
3. Treasurer's Report for the month of July 2020, was presented to Council. After some review, this report was ordered received and filed.

PUBLIC WORKS (PW) COMMITTEE –

Mr. Sivy, Chairperson of the Public Works Committee, mentioned that Executive Session will follow after the Regular Meeting to discuss personnel, with no vote.

PARKS and RECREATION COMMITTEE –

Mayor Borato mentioned that there will be a movie night on August 29th, at dusk behind the Economy Borough Municipal Building. The movie will be Scoob.

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE – No agenda item at this time.

MAYOR'S REPORT –

Mayor Borato mentioned that the Police Chief will be emailing all members of Council to get their picture for ID badge.

Mayor Borato mentioned that the police department is going to be looking into body cameras through Federal or State grants.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT –

Mr. Askar mentioned that he received an email from Mr. Kowal pertaining to the water truck along Amsler Ridge Road and forwarded the email to Mr. Bowers. Mr. Bowers responded to Mr. Askar's email and Mr. Askar felt that the issue was taken care of.

Mr. Askar gave Council an update on the Oil and Gas ordinance.

ENGINEER'S REPORT –

1. Compton Road – Mr. Kunkle mentioned that Mr. Shoup should have the results at the next regular meeting.

OLD BUSINESS –

1. Huey Claim – No agenda item at this time.
2. Cable Franchise Agreement – Mr. Kunkle mentioned that Comcast is busy with preparing schools to start back up and that they will work with us once all the schools are back in service.

NEW BUSINESS –

Mr. Sivy apologized to Ms. Ashbaugh for the Borough dropping the ball on the water truck along Amsler Ridge Road. He was sorry for the missed communication.

OTHER BUSINESS – No agenda item at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION –

On a motion by Mr. Sivy; seconded by Mr. Sylvester requested Council go into Executive Session regarding public works personnel. Motion was unanimously approved. There will be no motions after the Executive Session therefore the Regular Meeting can adjourn before going into the Executive Session.

MOTION TO ADJOURN –

On a motion by Mr. Sivy; seconded by Mr. Sylvester to adjourn the Regular Meeting and enter into Executive Session. Motion was unanimously approved.

The Regular Meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Travis Cavanaugh
Asst. Borough Manager/Secretary