

Economy Borough Council
Council Minutes
September 14, 2021

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. Jeffrey Ruckert, Mr. Don Sivy, Mr. Glenn Sylvester and Mr. Kowal (via teleconference).

ABSENT –

Mr. Gary Bucuren (Excused)
Mrs. Skonieczny (Excused)
Mayor Jo Ann Borato (Excused)

STAFF PRESENT –

Assistant Borough Manager/Secretary Travis Cavanaugh, representing the Borough Solicitor Mr. Joseph Askar, Esq. and Borough Engineer Mr. Scott Shoup.

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.

Sheila Dattilo of 408 Independence Lane, Freedom
George Foltz of 61 Bock Lane, Baden
William Bjelivuk of 200 Campbell Drive, Sewickley
Robert Mihalinic, Jr. of 308 Sunset Drive, Baden
Gregory Paulson of 208 Park Hill Road, Baden
Shelia Reichl of 766 Hoenig Road, Baden
Amy Miller of Rehoboth Evangelical Lutheran Church
Chris Koop (Energy Transfer) of 6051 Wallace Road Extension, Wexford

There were also 9 participants via teleconference.

HEAR THE PUBLIC –

Ms. Dattilo asked questions pertaining to the Act 14 notification.

Mr. Foltz ask Borough Council for an update pertaining to the second amendment resolution.

Mr. Bjelivuk asked for an update pertaining to his subdivision application.

Mr. Mihalinic expressed concerns for water runoff on his property.

Mr. Paulson expressed concerns for water runoff on his property.

Ms. Reichel expressed concerns for water runoff near her property.

Ms. Miller invited everyone to a community day at the Rehoboth Evangelical Lutheran Church on Sunday, September 19th at 4:30 p.m.

Mr. Koop gave an update pertaining to the consent order and agreement between Energy Transfer and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection.

Discussion occurred on the consent order and agreement.

Mr. Sivy read a thank you letter from the Economy Borough Senior Citizens club.

MINUTES –

Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 24, 2021, were presented to Borough Council. After some review and discussion, **on a motion by Mr. Sylvester; seconded by Mr. Ruckert** to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of August 24, 2021, as presented. Motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE – No agenda item at this time.

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

FINANCE COMMITTEE –

- A. Bills Payable for the period of August 6, 2021, through September 7, 2021, in the amount of \$ 185,927.87, from the General Fund with Check No. 30123 to 30232, and in the amount of \$ 1,368.53, from the Highway Aid (Liquid Fuels) Fund with the Check No. 232 to 233, were presented to Council for review. After some review and discussion, **on a motion by Mr. Kowal; 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.
- B. Budget Report for the month of August 2021, was presented to Council. After some review and discussion this report was ordered received and filed.

- C. Treasurer's Report for the month of August 2021, 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, presented Borough Council with PW Report for August 2021. After some review and discussion this report was ordered received and filed.

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

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE – No agenda item at this time.

MAYOR'S REPORT – No agenda item at this time.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT –

Borough Solicitor gave an update pertaining to the second amendment resolution.

ENGINEER'S REPORT – No agenda item at this time.

OLD BUSINESS –

- A. Courtyard at Lakeside Village Planned Residential Development (PRD) Public Hearing –

On a motion by Mr. Sivy; seconded by Mr. Morrone to authorize the Borough Manager to advertise the public hearing for October 12, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. for the Courtyard at Lakeside Village Planned Residential Development (PRD). Motion was unanimously approved.

- B. Repository Sale 2 Orchard Drive, Baden –

A request for the consent to purchase an abandoned home located at 2 Orchard Drive, Baden, with a Parcel ID No. 60-185-0297.001, was received from Mr. Bradley Garrone. The Borough Solicitor explained what a repository purchase is and that in consenting to this purchase it would benefit the Borough by placing it back on the tax records. After some review and discussion, **on a motion by Mr. Ruckert; seconded by Mr. Sivy** to approve the repository purchase for 2 Orchard Drive, Baden, with a Parcel ID No. 60-185-0297.001 for Tax Year 2016. Motion was unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS –

- A. Ambridge Veteran's Service Center Donation Request –

After some review and discussion, **on a motion by Mr. Sivy; seconded by Mr. Sylvester** to table the donation letter request from the Ambridge Veteran's Service Center till next meeting. Motion was unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS --

A. Pennsylvania Department of Transportation Winter Maintenance Agreement --

After some review and discussion, **on a motion by Mr. Sylvester; seconded by Mr. Ruckert** to renew the winter maintenance agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation. Motion was unanimously approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION --

On a motion by Mr. Sylvester; seconded by Mr. Ruckert requested Council go into Executive Session regarding personal and the Collective Bargaining Agreement for both the Police Department and the Public Works Department. 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 was unanimously approved at 7:44 p.m.

MOTION TO ADJOURN --

On a motion by Mr. Sylvester; seconded by Mr. Ruckert to adjourn the Regular Meeting. Motion was unanimously approved.

The Regular Meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.



Travis Cavanaugh
Asst. Borough Manager/Secretary