



COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
February 13, 2023

**6:00 p.m. Work Session**

An Interview was held with Andrew Bustin for the Part-time Police Officer. All Councilmembers, Mayor McCreary, and Chief Richards in attendance.

**Executive Session**

Borough Council entered Executive Session at 6:20 p.m. and exited at 6:55 p.m. for Personnel purposes.

**7:00 p.m. Borough Council Meeting**

**1. Pledge of Allegiance**

**2. Moment of Silence**

**3. Roll Call**

Council President Barthel took roll call with the following noted as present: President Barthel, Vice President Wentzel, Councilmembers Edkin, Webster, Urban, Zulli, Artley, Mayor McCreary, and Secretary Rhome. Secretary Hammaker, Engineer Rogalski, Treasurer Chorba, and Solicitor Altland were noted as absent.

**4. Consent Items**

a. Approval of 01-09-2023 Minutes. Motion made by Councilmember Edkin, with one change-regarding train derailments during the workshop meeting should state 2 within 6 weeks, not 6 months, seconded by Councilmember Webster. Vice-President Wentzel stated for clarity the making of motions and seconding to be clear and correct. There was an opposition and it needed to be stated that it was made by John Edkin. The Motion passed unanimously with the two only corrections.

b. Approval to Pay Bills. Council President made a general statement for approval to pay the bills. Our Accountant will be in tomorrow and he will sign checks get them processed. Councilmember voted unanimously to approve.

**5. Public Comment (Please Keep to a Three (3) Minute Time Limit)**

Dave Magee looking for a copy of the Liquid Fuels Audit where all the streets and allies are. Council President Barthel did an audit with Rick Lavine from Liquid Fuels and he does not know where we would get the list from. Since the audit is complete it is public knowledge and Mr. Magee may look through it after the meeting. Neither Mr. Magee nor President Barthel of a list. Mr. Magee is specifically looking for Farr Street off Valley which goes behind Blair Ewing place. President Barthel feels they are Valley addresses back there and he will research for Mr. Magee tomorrow. Councilmember Webster remembers maintaining those roads.

**6. Railroaders Memorial**

Work being done on the cart at this time. Bricks ready and will be laid tomorrow.

**7. Pool**

President Barthel asked Councilmember Wentzel to collaborate some of the questions with Rich Stees regarding some of the classes and using Lonnie. She will need to be certified. Rich mentioned the chemical license for the pool and he was not sure if his license covered the pool and chlorine. Rich said it is a specific Section 24 in the law for public pools and spas. President Barthel remembers us using Lonnie one-time last year. He is receiving emails for 100+ kids already. Rich also mentioned the Borough Website needs updated with all the information.

**8. Engineer's Report**

Nothing to report. We have submitted paperwork for the Bridge Grant.

**9. MS4**

No meeting in January. February meeting Greg highlighted properties and terms. If we implemented a Stormwater Fee for four years this how much the fee would be for a single-family home. They have not come to any conclusions yet. The biggest issue right now is non-profits and what rates and commercial businesses will be. Once this process is complete and we have we have come up with a number there will be public outreach, public education, and host meetings. We have the use of the Lions Club space to explain have the numbers came to be, what does this mean, and explain the whole process. We are thinking summer months, potentially June maybe sooner if we can get a number nailed down. President Barthel said since this will probably be a long meeting maybe the Boy Scouts to open a Concession Stand.

## **10. Old Business**

None

## **11. New Business**

a. Motion to accept a quote from Baker Door Company to repair hollow metal door and existing double doors with a commercial garage door at the Sewer Plant. The Finance Committee recommended be split the bill so we take the money out of the appropriate funds. They did not come back with separate bids. We are going to request a final breakdown on each door. Councilmember Wentzel would have liked to made two separate motions, but will make one motion to accept the quote for the two doors and split the cost when it comes back. Councilmember Webster seconded. Councilmember Edkin questioned only one quote, did we get a second or third? President Barthel said we do not need and a second and third, but we did get a second from Bernie Coon, a local guy. To be honest for us to do it ourselves. Conversation continued regarding the operation of the new doors. Additional sensor alarm also installed. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Motion to accept a quote from Aqua Specialists for repairs to the Marysville Borough Pool Filter. Motion was made by Councilmember Wentzel and seconded by Councilmember Webster. Brian also mentioned we need to do the filter. Charles said he understood there is still the same sand the Pool was built with originally. There was also a second quote, but it fell short and did not have as much sand in it, fell short of what we needed. It 80-50 lb. bags of sand and 50 lb. bags of gravel. A lot of the items like skimmers, etc. are going to be replaced and updated. Motion was passed unanimously.

c. Councilmember Edkin made a motion to hire Andrew Bustin as a part-time Police Office pending all necessary clearance checks. Councilmember Webster seconded. Motion was passed unanimously.

## **12. Commission Reports**

a. Planning Commission Report

President Barthel questioned why none of his discussion was not in the minutes. He would prefer his discussion because of he and Scott's point on a lot of the stuff we said and the minutes did not reflect it. As it is written now, as Jen had written it, that is something he will not vote for and he will advocate to not vote for those minutes. He does not think it is fair and it was not as discussed. Jen was to rewrite and send him a copy and as yet not done that. It is not fair and needs adjusted.

b. Code Enforcement Officer's Report

Nothing.

c. Police Department Report

No reports. It was a busy month for the Department.

d. Fire Company Report

No one in attendance.

**13. Commission Reports**

a. Personnel

Did not meet

b. Finance

Already discussed.

c. Sewer/Sanitation/Streets

Had the Baker Doors estimate for the Sewer Plant.

Had electrical problem at the Plant that was resolved in a day by an Electrician.

Cameras are installed and bill is paid. Bill is split 50/50.

d. Parks & Rec and Pool

Discussion about the Grant to remove and paint the bridge in the Lions Club Park.

Working with Greg and solutions for the pathway from the Lions Club Park up to Cassell Street. President Barthel discussed that the Grant for the Bridge did not cover the cost estimate and we are going to do a lot of inhouse work ourselves.

Councilmember Urban discussed process of reaching out to the State for exemption from the bidding processing to get the work moving.

e. Managers' Report

As Council President Barthel is acting Borough Manager, he has given his reports.

**14. Correspondence**

None

**15. Public Comment (Please Keep to a Three (3) Minute Time Limit)**

a. Roger Barrick spoke about the initial sewer separation was done, Lexicon. They staged and operated out of the property he now owns, which was owned at that time by Mrs. Allender. Every bit of material they brought it there and loaded it on their own equipment and trucks and hauled it to town whatever they needed to do. There was an agreement with the Borough, he was on Council at the time, that they would repair any damage. Well, that property is actually Borough property that leads into that, that northern pump station. That property was just destroyed, that right away. Mr. Barrick reminded our Borough Manager at the time, several times,

don't let them slip away without doing that repair or that repaving. Well, they slipped out of town and paid in full, so not going to be done by them naturally. President Barthel said technically they weren't paid in full because we took some money back from them and use some bond money for some other things, they never made good on. Mr. Barrick said but we are done with them. Discussion continued on the road not being paved by them. It isn't a named street, but it is Borough property. The right away does not go all the way back to the end of the property. No, only the entrance, probably 100 to 125 feet. It was paved originally. President Barthel is to meet with Mr. Barrick and they will review the road. This places in on record in case there is anything from Liquid Fuel for expenditures.

Councilmember Urban mentioned a list for repaving and this is something that could be added to it.

b. John Fasnacht, 21 North Main Street. One-way at Lansvale at Verbeke to Rts. 11 & 15. Very often when he comes in, today in particular, people are running out there like signs don't exist. It's one-way now and they are going illegally at the dentist office. There isn't any time in particular. Councilmember Webster is checking into placing parking blocks or stop people from turning the wrong way.

At the Veteran's Memorial there is supposed to be a designated sign.

Mr. Fasnacht wants to attend the Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting to address the NO WAKE ZONE signs. Conversation pursued with Council President regarding the legality and the problems. Needs to be enforced by Fish and Boat.

Chief Richards said he personally felt the signs to be posted are meant for the small kiosks, that way the people launching their boats would follow those laws.

#### **14. Media Questions**

Councilmember Edkin made a Motion to adjourn and Council President Barthel seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Next Scheduled Meeting will be March 13, 2023.