

MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING May 5, 2025 6:00PM Council Meeting

THE BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL SHALL BE CONDUCTED IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

1. Call to Order by presiding officer
Moment of silence, Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll Call (if quorum is not present, the meeting shall thereupon be Adjourned to a specific date by the majority vote of those present)
3. Review and approval of agenda.
4. Presentation
5. Citizen Correspondence/Personal Appeals - Agenda Items
6. Business Not Ready for Action or No Action Needed
7. Old Business
8. Introduction of Ordinances and Resolutions
9. Consent Agenda
10. New Business
11. Added Items
12. Citizen Correspondence/Personal Appeals - Non-Agenda Items
13. Adjournment

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER BY PRESIDING OFFICER: Council President Robert Lewis

ITEM 2. ROLL CALL (Attendance)

<u>COUNCIL MEMBERS</u> <u>& MAYOR</u>	PRESENT	ABSENT	<u>OFFICERS</u>	PRESENT	ABSENT
LEWIS	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>			
JARRETT	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	Chief of Police	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
KARAFINSKI	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>	Solicitor	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
LEARN	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	Engineer	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
MOCCIA	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	DPW Foreman	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
TROIANI	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	Reporter(s)	Susan Schwartz (PE)	
WOZNIAK	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	Fire Chief	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
MAYOR BURKE	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	Code Enforcement	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Borough Manager	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>			

ITEM 3. REVIEW & APPROVE CURRENT AGENDA:

Discussion - None

Motion: Ms. Wozniak Second: Mr. Learn

All in favor, agenda approved.

ITEM 4. PRESENTATION:

1. Hyperbaric Awareness Mayoral Proclamation - Read by Mayor Burke
2. David Chambers - Skate Park Proposal - Council heard proposal. Mr. Chambers will meet with Parks and Recreation committee to further discuss.

ITEM 5. Citizen Correspondence / Personal Appeals - Agenda Items

None

ITEM 6. BUSINESS NOT READY FOR ACTION:

1. Park Place Village Paving - Conversation had on ability to do without advertising. Borough Manager will talk to counterpart in Bloomsburg to discuss how they do something similar. Will add to future agenda for consideration.
2. Around the Table
 - a. Councilman Jarrett - Thanked Councilman Lewis for representing the Borough well at event with Lt. Governor.
 - b. Councilwoman Wozniak - Thanked Mr. Kyttle for work done by DPW, Chief Strish for challenge coins.
 - c. Borough Manager - Printed concert schedules are available. Annual CLFRF reporting is complete.
 - d. Mayor Burke - Fireworks dispute has been worked out, set for July 4. Mayor's Ball was a success.
 - e. Chief Strish - Closed narcotics investigation on LaSalle Street. Requested that updates to cameras and locks be added to agenda for consideration. Wants to obtain accreditation status for Police Department, will need a decision from Council by early June. May need to start another hiring process soon.
 - f. Councilman Moccia - Questioned whether Council had ever formally agreed to transfer Trap/Neuter/Release budget from Ms. Allison to Ms. Massina. Borough Manager will invite Ms. Massina to next meeting for a program update.
 - g. Fire Chief Coolbaugh - Thanked those who came out for ladder truck blessing/housing.
 - h. Mr. Harkins - Report provided, with a correction.

ITEM 7. OLD BUSINESS:

None

ITEM 8. APPROVAL OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

None

ITEM 9. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consider and take action to approve all items on the Consent Agenda, as follows:

- a. Approve the minutes of the April 21, 2025 Meeting of Council
- b. Approve InfraHorse proposal RE: Canal St Storm System Rehabilitation, at a cost not to exceed \$118,500, to be a State Liquid Fuels project
- c. Approve advertisement requesting bids for East Eighth Street/East Tenth Street Paving Project
- ~~d. Approve payment of SEDA-COG invoice of April 17, 2025, in the amount of \$6,754, for the administration of Berwick Borough's FFY 2021 CDBG program, to be paid utilizing CDBG funds~~
- ~~e. Approve payment of SEDA-COG invoice of April 17, 2025, in the amount of \$2,501, for the administration of Berwick Borough's FFY 2022 CDBG program, to be paid utilizing CDBG funds~~
- ~~f. Approve payment of SEDA-COG invoice of April 17, 2025, in the amount of \$9,704, for the administration of Berwick Borough's FFY 2024 CDBG program, to be paid utilizing CDBG funds~~

Discussion: Mr. Learn requested that items d, e, and f be removed from Consent Agenda and considered individually under New Business. These items were removed from consideration as part of the Consent Agenda. Borough Manager noted that a final quote from InfraHorse was at everyone's seat for review, if there were any questions.

Motion: Mr. Learn Second: Ms. Wozniak ☒ Approved, ☐ Denied, ☐ Tabled

All in favor, Consent Agenda approved, with noted items removed from consideration.

ITEM 10. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider and take action to approve payment of SEDA-COG invoice of April 17, 2025, in the amount of \$6,754, for the administration of Berwick Borough's FFY 2021 CDBG program, to be paid utilizing CDBG funds

Discussion: None

Motion: Mr. Moccia Second: Ms. Troiani ☒ Approved, ☐ Denied, ☐ Tabled

Voting in favor were Councilpersons Lewis, Moccia, Troiani and Wozniak. Voting in opposition were Councilpersons Jarrett and Learn. Motion approved via 4-2 vote in favor.

2. Consider and take action to approve payment of SEDA-COG invoice of April 17, 2025, in the amount of \$2,501, for the administration of Berwick Borough's FFY 2022 CDBG program, to be paid utilizing CDBG

funds

Discussion: None

Motion: Mr. Moccia Second: Ms. Troiani ☒ Approved, ☐
Denied, ☐ Tabled

Voting in favor were Councilpersons Lewis, Moccia, Troiani and Wozniak. Voting in opposition were Councilpersons Jarrett and Learn. Motion approved via 4-2 vote in favor.

3. Consider and take action to approve payment of SEDA-COG invoice of April 17, 2025, in the amount of \$9,704, for the administration of Berwick Borough's FFY 2024 CDBG program, to be paid utilizing CDBG funds

Discussion: None

Motion: Ms. Troiani Second: Mr. Moccia ☒ Approved, ☐
Denied, ☐ Tabled

Voting in favor were Councilpersons Lewis, Moccia, Troiani and Wozniak. Voting in opposition were Councilpersons Jarrett and Learn. Motion approved via 4-2 vote in favor.

ITEM 11. ADDED ITEMS

None

ITEM 12. Citizen Correspondence / Personal Appeals - Non-Agenda Items

None

ITEM 13. ADJOURNMENT: Motion: Mr. Jarrett Second: Mr. Learn

Meeting adjourned