

MINUTES

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
September 21, 2020
7:00PM 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. Citizen Correspondence/Personal Appeals
5. Presentations
6. Approval of the preceding meeting minutes if correct and rectifying mistakes if any exist.
7. Approval of Payment of Bills
8. Reports of Committees
9. Business Not Ready for Action or No Action Needed
10. Old Business
11. Introduction of Ordinances and Resolutions
12. New Business
13. Added Items
14. 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>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
LEWIS	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>			
TROIANI	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	Chief of Police	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
ALLEY	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>	Solicitor	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
BOWER	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	Engineer	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
JARRETT	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	DPW Foreman	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
LEARN	<u>X(ZOOM)</u>	<u> </u>	Reporter(s)	<u>Susan Schwartz - PE</u>	<u> </u>
TALANCA	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>			
MAYOR BURKE	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>			
DAMIEN SCOBLINK, MANAGER	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>			

ITEM 3. REVIEW & APPROVE CURRENT AGENDA:

Discussion

Motion: Mr. Talanca Second: Mr. Jarrett

All in favor, agenda approved.

ITEM 4. PUBLIC HEARING / CITIZENS CORRESPONDENCE / PERSONAL APPEALS:

- Fred Gause - Expressed continued concern over track traffic around Wise factory.

ITEM 5. PRESENTATION: None

ITEM 6. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PRECEDING MEETING

- Regular Council Meeting of August 17, 2020 and Work Shop minutes of September 8, 2020.

Discussion: None

Motion: Mr. Jarrett Second: Mr. Talanca

All in favor, minutes approved.

ITEM 7. APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS MOTION: Mr. Talanca SECOND: Ms. Troiani

All in favor, payment of bills approved.

ITEM 8. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

MAYOR: Mayor Tim Burke - Mayor has attend various events since last meeting. Reports that summer concerts ended on a high note. Hosted a home run derby/softball tournament/car show that raised \$1,600 for the fire department.

ENGINEER: Quad 3

SOLICITOR: Attorney Frank Kepner

PERSONNEL: Jeri Alley, Nelson Learn, Jay Jarrett

LEGAL AND FINANCE: Jeri Alley, Nelson Learn, Jay Jarrett

PARKS AND RECREATION: Teresa Troiani, Pete Talanca, Jay Jarrett

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: Greg Harkins, Scott Bower, Teresa Troiani,

Jay Jarrett

STREETS, PARKS, & BUILDINGS: Jack Kyttle

FIRE AND WATER: Scott Bower, Pete Talanca, Bob Lewis - Fire Chief was present, and reported that the question regarding continued need for the house siren was sent to the individual companies for discussion.

CODES, RECYCLING, & ORDINANCES: Nelson Learn, Jeri Alley, Pete Talanca

SAFETY: Bob Lewis

POLICE: Chief Ken Strish - Thanked assistant chief for assistance in his absence. Thanked Garibaldi for hosting golf tournament, in part to support police. Thanked the Forge for hosting a PBA event. Announced there will be a Respect the Line event to support police at Test Track Park on 9/26. Expressed desire to meet with Police Committee to discuss some things prior to starting the hiring process.

BAJSA REPORT: See Report

ITEM 9. BUSINESS NOT READY FOR ACTION:

None

ITEM 10. OLD BUSINESS:

None

ITEM 11. APPROVAL OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

None

ITEM 12. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider and take action to approve CDBG-CV grant agreement.

Discussion: None

Motion: Mr. Bower Second: Ms. Troiani X Approved,
Denied, Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

2. Consider and take action to approve equipment sublease agreement between the Borough of Berwick and Columbia County to fund a portion of cost of updated radio equipment for Berwick Fire Chief in an amount not to exceed \$13,184.69, payable to "Columbia County Radio

Fund" on or before September 30, 2022, contingent upon agreement from all other required Columbia County fire departments and municipalities to enter into such arrangements.

Discussion: After some discussion, it was decided that it would be a poor decision to not do this, as the Borough would then be responsible for the full amount.

Motion: Mr. Jarrett Second: Mr. Talanca X Approved,
Denied, Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

3. Consider and take action to approve advertising to hire one part-time DPW laborer.

Discussion:

Motion: Mr. Talanca Second: Mr. Bower X Approved,
Denied, Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

ITEM 13. ADDED ITEMS

None

ITEM 14. ADJOURNMENT: Motion: Ms. Troiani Second: Mr. Talanca

Meeting Adjourned.