

Economy Borough Council  
Borough Council Minutes  
December 27, 2023

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

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL** –

Borough Council President Mr. Frank Morrone, Mr. Gary Bucuren, Mr. Jeffrey Ruckert, Mr. Don Sivy and Mr. Glenn Sylvester.

**ABSENT** –

Mayor Jo Ann Borato (Excused)  
Mr. Roger Kowal (Excused)

**STAFF PRESENT** –

Borough Manager Travis Cavanaugh, representing the Borough Solicitor Mr. Joseph Askar, Esq. (via teleconference).

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS** –

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

Joan Broussard of 2704 Ridge Road Extension, Baden  
Mike Andrews of 200 Patriot Lane, Freedom

There were also 4 participants via teleconference.

**HEAR THE PUBLIC** –

Ms. Broussard asked questions pertaining to snow plowing along Ridge Road Extension.

Mr. Andrews asked questions pertaining to the Borough Council vacant seat.

**MINUTES** –

Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 12, 2023, were presented to Borough Council. After some review and discussion, **on a motion by Mr. Bucuren; seconded by Mr. Sylvester** to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of December 12, 2023, as presented. Motion was unanimously approved.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE** – No agenda item at this time.

**ORDINANCE COMMITTEE** – No agenda item at this time.

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

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

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE** – No agenda item at this time.

**ROAD DEPARTMENT (RD) COMMITTEE** – No agenda item at this time.

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

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT** – No agenda item at this time.

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

**OLD BUSINESS** – No agenda item at this time.

**NEW BUSINESS** –

A. **Resolution No. 504, Schedule of Fees 2024** –

**On a motion by Mr. Sylvester; seconded by Mr. Sivy** to approve Resolution No. 504, approving the 2024 schedule of fees. Motion was unanimously approved.

B. **Resolution No. 505, 2024 Final Budget** –

**On a motion by Mr. Ruckert; seconded by Mr. Sylvester** to approve Resolution No. 505, approving the 2024 final budget. Motion carried – 4-1, with Mr. Sivy voting not in favor.

C. **Ordinance No. 482, 2024 Tax Ordinance** –

After some review and discussion, **on a motion by Mr. Ruckert; seconded by Mr. Sylvester** to adopt Ordinance No. 482, 2024 tax ordinance. Motion carried – 4-1, with Mr. Sivy voting not in favor.

D. **Economy Borough Planning Commission Re-appointment** –

**On a motion by Mr. Kowal; seconded by Mr. Sivy** to accept the re-appointment of Mr. David Carlson to the Economy Borough Planning Commission for a four (4) year term ending on December 31, 2027. Motion was unanimously approved.

E. Economy Borough Council Vacant Seat Appointment –

**On a motion by Mr. Ruckert; seconded by Mr. Bucuren** to accept the appointment of Mr. Allen Treadway to the Economy Borough Council for a two (2) year term ending on December 31, 2025. Motion was unanimously approved.

**OTHER BUSINESS** –

Mr. Bucuren wanted to thank Mr. Kowal for his four (4) year service on Borough Council.

Mr. Sivy wanted to thank the Economy Borough Recreation Board and the Economy Volunteer Fire Department for their support for the breakfast with Santa.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** – No agenda item at this time.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN** –

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

The Regular Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.



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Travis Cavanaugh  
Borough Manager