

Economy Borough Council  
Borough Council Minutes  
January 23, 2024

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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, Mr. Glenn Sylvester, Mr. Allen Treadway and Mayor Jo Ann Borato.

**ABSENT –**

Mr. Tom Applequist (Excused)

**STAFF PRESENT –**

Borough Manager Travis Cavanaugh and representing the Borough Solicitor Mr. Joseph Askar, Esq.

**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.

Frank Hernandez of 1382 Harmony Road, Baden

**HEAR THE PUBLIC –**

Mr. Hernandez expressed his interest in the hiring on the Road Department.

**MINUTES –**

Minutes of the Reorganization Regular Meeting held on January 2, 2024, were presented to Borough Council. After some review and discussion, **on a motion by Mr. Bucuren; seconded by Mr. Sylvester** to approve the Reorganization Regular Meeting Minutes of January 2, 2024, as presented. Motion was unanimously approved.

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**FINANCE COMMITTEE** –

A. 2023 Annual Pension Review –

Mr. John Haynes with Caitlin Financial, reviewed the 2023, annual performance of the Police and Non-Uniform pension plans.

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

**MAYOR’S REPORT** –

The Mayor’s Monthly Police Department Report for 2023, was presented to Borough Council. After some review and discussion this report was ordered received and filed.

**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. Bags and Blessing Program –

**On a motion by Mr. Ruckert; seconded by Mr. Bucuren** to approve the Bags and Blessings Program for the Jeffrey B. Meddock Recreation Park. Motion was unanimously approved.

B. Beaver County Council of Governments Member and Alternate Appointments –

**On a motion by Mr. Sylvester; seconded by Mr. Sivy** to appoint Mr. Applequist as the primary member and Mr. Ruckert as the alternate member to the Beaver County Council of Governments. Motion was unanimously carried.

C. Economy Borough Committee Appointments –

**On a motion by Mr. Ruckert; seconded by Mr. Sylvester** to table the Economy Borough committee appointments to the next Borough Council meeting. Motion was unanimously carried.

D. Employee Resignation Letter –

**On a motion by Mr. Sylvester; seconded by Mr. Bucuren** to approve the Employee No. 18, resignation letter effective January 31, 2024. Motion was unanimously carried.

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

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** –

**On a motion by Mr. Bucuren; seconded by Mr. Sylvester** requested that Borough Council go into Executive Session regarding personnel, following which a possible vote may be needed. Motion was unanimously approved at 7:33 p.m.

Borough Council reconvene into Regular Meeting Session at 8:04 p.m.

**On a motion by Mr. Bucuren; seconded by Mr. Sivy** to approve the Police Secretary employee agreement effective January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024. Motion was unanimously carried.

**On a motion by Mr. Sylvester; seconded by Mr. Ruckert** to hire Mr. Jacob Brickner, with a ninety (90) day probation period to the Road Department with a start date of January 29, 2024, contingent upon the completion of the requirements in the CBA. Motion was unanimously carried.

**On a motion by Mr. Ruckert; seconded by Mr. Bucuren** to authorize the Borough Manager to advertise for a new hire for the Road Department. Motion was unanimously carried.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN** –

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

The Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.



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Travis Cavanaugh  
Borough Manager