

Economy Borough Council
Borough Council Minutes
November 28, 2023

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. Roger Kowal, Mr. Bill Metz, Mr. Don Sivy, Mr. Glenn Sylvester and Mayor Jo Ann Borato.

ABSENT –

Mr. Jeffrey Ruckert (Excused)

STAFF PRESENT –

Borough Manager Travis Cavanaugh, 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.

Mark Hanish of 316 Sunset Drive, Baden
Margaret Konieczka of 317 Sunset Drive, Baden

There were also 4 participants via teleconference.

HEAR THE PUBLIC –

Mr. Hanish expressed his concerns with the petition for the speed bumps along Sunset Drive.

Ms. Konieczka expressed her concerns with the petition for the speed bumps along Sunset Drive.

MINUTES –

Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on November 14, 2023, were presented to Borough Council. After some review and discussion, **on a motion by Mr. Sivy; seconded by Mr. Metz** to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of November 14, 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 –

Breakfast with Santa will be on Saturday, December 16th from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

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. 2024 Tentative Budget –

After some review and discussion, **on a motion by Mr. Kowal; seconded by Mr. Sylvester** to approve the 2024 Tentative Budget. Motion carried – 5-1, with Mr. Sivy voting not in favor

B. Ordinance No. 482, Tax Ordinance 2024 –

After some review and discussion, **on a motion by Mr. Sylvester; seconded by Mr. Metz** to authorize the Borough Manager to advertise for Ordinance No. 482, establishing the Tax Ordinance 2024, setting the millage rate at 2.06 mills and an additional allowed 10% (.2 mills) for a total of 2.26 mills. Motion carried – 5-1, with Mr. Sivy voting not in favor

C. Economy Borough Planning Commission Re-appointment –

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

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. December 26, 2023, Meeting –

On a motion by Mr. Sivy; seconded by Mr. Kowal to reschedule the December 26, 2023, meeting to Wednesday, December 27, 2023. Motion was unanimously approved.

F. Mr. Bill Metz Resignation Letter –

On a motion by Mr. Sivy; seconded by Mr. Sylvester to accept the resignation letter from Mr. Bill Metz, effective on November 29, 2023. Motion was unanimously approved.

G. Borough Council Open Seat –

On a motion by Mr. Sivy; seconded by Mr. Sylvester to authorize the Borough Manager to advertise the Borough Council open seat. Motion was unanimously approved.

H. Street Light Poles –

On a motion by Mr. Sivy; seconded by Mr. Sylvester to approve the removal of the nine (9) street light poles along Economy Way, Baden, heading up the hill near the Walmart entrance that is not protected by the guide rails, contingent upon the removal being completed by the Road Department. Motion was unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS – No agenda item at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – No agenda item at this time.

MOTION TO ADJOURN –

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

The Regular Meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.



Travis Cavanaugh
Borough Manager