

Economy Borough Council  
Council Minutes  
October 12, 2021

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

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL –**

Mr. Frank Morrone, Mr. Gary Bucuren, Mr. Jeffrey Ruckert, Mr. Don Sivy, Mr. Glenn Sylvester, Mr. Roger Kowal and Mayor Jo Ann Borato.

**ABSENT –**

Mrs. Pat Skonieczny (Excused)

**STAFF PRESENT –**

Borough Manager Randy Kunkle, Assistant Borough Manager/Secretary Travis Cavanaugh, representing the Borough Solicitor Mr. Joseph Askar, Esq. and Borough Engineer Mr. Scott Shoup.

**PUBLIC HEARING –**

Tentative Approval/Conditional Use for Courtyards at Lakeside Village Planned Residential Development (PRD).

Consider Tentative and Conditional Use approval for the Courtyards at Lakeside Village PRD located on Pfaff Road, Tax Parcel ID Nos. 60-175-0176.000, 60-175-0176.001 and 60-175-0182.000, in the Suburban Residential (R-2) Zoning District, to develop approximately 82.0 acres and would consist of 130 Single Family dwelling units and a Clubhouse with a swimming pool.

Motion to grant Tentative Approval of the Economy Landings PRD and the conditional use application to approve the Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Additional Conditions prepared by the Borough Solicitor.

A roll call vote was taken.

<b>Mr. Bucuren</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Mr. Kowal</b>	<b>Yes</b>

<b>Mr. Ruckert</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Mr. Sivy</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Mr. Sylvester</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Mr. Morrone</b>	<b>Yes</b>

Motion carried – 6-0.

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS** –

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

Linda Stanley of 139 Winterset Road, Baden

There were also 7 participants via teleconference.

**HEAR THE PUBLIC** –

Ms. Stanley expressed her concerns pertaining to Energy Transfer Company.

**MINUTES** –

Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 28, 2021, were presented to Borough Council. After some review and discussion, **on a motion by Mr. Sivy; seconded by Mr. Ruckert** to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of September 28, 2021, as presented. Motion was unanimously approved.

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

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

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

**FINANCE COMMITTEE** –

- A. Bills Payable for the period of September 8, 2021, through October 7, 2021, in the amount of \$ 645,156.75, from the General Fund with Check No. 30123 to 30320, and in the amount of \$ 1,372.76, from the Highway Aid (Liquid Fuels) Fund with the Check No. 234 to 236, were presented to Council for review. After some review and discussion, **on a motion by Mr. Sylvester; seconded by Mr. Ruckert** to approve the list of Bills Payable that have been reviewed and signed off by the department heads was unanimously carried, with the exception of Mr. Bucuren regarding the Public Works bills, due to his brother works in the department.
- B. Budget Report for the month of September 2021, was presented to Council. After some review and discussion this report was ordered received and filed.

- C. Treasurer's Report for the month of September 2021, was presented to Council. After some review, this report was ordered received and filed.

Discussion occurred on the 2022 Budget.

**PUBLIC WORKS (PW) COMMITTEE** –

Mr. Sivy, Chairperson of the Public Works Committee, presented Borough Council with PW Report for September 2021. After some review and discussion this report was ordered received and filed.

- A. 2023 Peterbilt –

After some review and discussion, **on a motion by Mr. Kowal; seconded by Mr. Morrone** to approve the purchase of a 2023 Peterbilt from Hunter Truck Sales in the amount of \$ 114,958.00, and the dump body with the snowplow from Stephenson Equipment in the amount of \$ 79,976.00, both purchases are through COSTARS using Liquid Fuels funds. Motion was unanimously carried.

- B. COSTARS Salt Contract –

Borough Manager presented to Borough Council the 2021-2022, bulk road salt contract with COSTARS in the amount of \$ 68.52 per ton.

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

**MAYOR'S REPORT** –

The Mayor's Monthly Police Department Report for September 2021, was presented to Borough Council. After some review and discussion this report was ordered received and filed.

Mayor Borato mentioned that Executive Session will follow after the Regular Meeting to discuss personnel, with a possible vote.

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

**ENGINEER'S REPORT** –

- A. Walnut Drive Culvert- Camera Inspection –

After some review and discussion, **on a motion by Mr. Kowal; seconded by Mr. Ruckert** to authorize the Borough Engineer to proceed with a camera inspection inside the culvert along Walnut Drive. Motion was unanimously approved.

B. 112 Clover Road Water Run-Off –

Borough Engineer gave an update to Borough Council pertaining to the removal of two (2) trees along the Borough easement located at 112 Clover Road. The Borough Engineer will solicit for bids for the removal of the two (2) trees.

C. Sunset Drive Drainage –

Borough Engineer gave an update to Borough Council pertaining to the Sunset Drive drainage concerns.

D. Summerfield Drive Traffic Study –

After some review and discussion, **on a motion by Mr. Ruckert; seconded by Mr. Bucuren** to approve the estimate from Trans Associates in the amount of \$ 800.00, to perform a traffic study along Summerfield Drive for the possible traffic calming solutions. Motion was unanimously approved.

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

**NEW BUSINESS** –

A. 2022 Municipal Minimal Obligation (MMO) –

The 2022 MMO, was presented to Council as submitted by Findley by the Borough Manager by email on September 30, 2021. The MMO's outline the required funding amounts due to the pension plans in order to remain qualified for state aid. The obligation due for the Police Pension Plan is in the amount of \$ 128,432.00, and the obligation due for the Non-Uniform Pension Plan is in the amount of \$ 144,743.00.

B. Ludwig & Mueller Plan of Lots Revised –

Borough Manager mentioned that Economy Borough Planning Commission, Beaver County Planning Commission, Shoup Engineering and consultant Michael Baker International all approved the subdivision for recommendation of approval by Council.

**On a motion by Mr. Sivy; seconded by Mr. Kowal** granting both Preliminary and Final Subdivision Approval to the Ludwig & Mueller Plan of Lots Revised Subdivision. Motion was unanimously approved.

C. Heart & Lung Pay-Sergeant Farah –

**On a motion by Mr. Ruckert; seconded by Mr. Sylvester** to approve the payment for the Heart & Lung to Sergeant Farah. Motion was unanimously approved.

D. Hernandez Zoning Change Request –

After some review and discussion, **on a motion by Mr. Bucuren; seconded by Mr. Ruckert** to authorize the Borough Manager to advertise the public hearing for November 9, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. for the Hernandez Zoning change request. Motion was unanimously approved.

E. Bjelivuk Lot Line Con. Plan No. 1 –

Borough Manager mentioned that Economy Borough Planning Commission, Beaver County Planning Commission, Shoup Engineering and consultant Michael Baker International all approved the subdivision for recommendation of approval by Council.

**On a motion by Mr. Kowal; seconded by Mr. Sylvester** granting both Preliminary and Final Subdivision Approval to the Bjelivuk Lot Line Con. Plan No. 1 Subdivision. Motion was unanimously approved.

F. Bjelivuk Lot Line Con. Plan No. 2 –

Borough Manager mentioned that Economy Borough Planning Commission, Beaver County Planning Commission, Shoup Engineering and consultant Michael Baker International all approved the subdivision for recommendation of approval by Council.

**On a motion by Mr. Kowal; seconded by Mr. Sylvester** granting both Preliminary and Final Subdivision Approval to the Bjelivuk Lot Line Con. Plan No. 2 Subdivision. Motion was unanimously approved.

G. 2021 Ford Explorer –

After some review and discussion, **on a motion by Mr. Kowal; seconded by Mr. Morrone** to purchase a new 2021 Ford Explorer from McCandless Ford in the amount of \$ 34,046.00. Motion was unanimously carried.

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

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** –

**On a motion by Mr. Bucuren; seconded by Mr. Morrone** requested Council go into Executive Session regarding the Collective Bargaining Agreement for the Police Department and the Public Works Department and for personnel, which a possible motion may be needed. Motion was unanimously approved at 8:37 p.m.

**On a motion by Mr. Sivy; seconded by Mr. Sylvester** requested Borough Council go into Regular Session. Motion was unanimously approved at 9:03 p.m.

There were no motions after the Executive Session therefore the Regular Meeting can adjourn.

**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 9:04 p.m.



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Travis Cavanaugh  
Asst. Borough Manager/Secretary