

Economy Borough Council
Council Minutes
March 22, 2022

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. Jeffrey Ruckert, Mr. Don Sivy and Mr. Glenn Sylvester.

ABSENT –

Mayor Jo Ann Borato (Excused)

STAFF PRESENT –

Borough Manager Randy Kunkle, Borough Assistant Manager/Secretary 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.

Chris Koop (Energy Transfer) of 6051 Wallace Road Extension, Wexford
Larry Homich of 3124 Conway Wallrose Road, Baden
Mike Andrews of 200 Patriot Lane, Freedom
Kasi Devinney of 484 Amsler Ridge Road, Sewickley

There were also 7 participants via teleconference.

HEAR THE PUBLIC –

Mr. Koop gave an update on the projects within the Borough.

Mr. Homich expressed his concerns for the truck traffic along Conway Wallrose Road.

Mr. Andrews asked questions pertaining to the 2022 road program and about Berkheimer.

Ms. Devinney expressed her concerns for an updated Oil and Gas Ordinance.

MINUTES –

Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 8, 2022, were presented to Borough Council. After some review and discussion, **on a motion by Mr. Sivy; seconded by Mr. Bucuren** to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of March 8, 2022, as presented. Motion was unanimously approved.

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

FINANCE COMMITTEE – No agenda item at this time.

PUBLIC WORKS (PW) COMMITTEE – No agenda item at this time.

A. **2022 Road Paving Program** –

Borough Engineer met with the Road Foreman and have selected the following roads for the 2022 Road Paving Program.

Base Bid
Sunset Drive
Roberts Lane
Rose Street
Dean Street
Howard Road
Silverdale Drive

Alternate Bids
Wassum Road
Donald Avenue

After some review and discussion, **on a motion by Mr. Ruckert; seconded by Mr. Kowal** to authorize the Borough Manager to advertise for bids for the 2022 Road Paving Program. Motion was unanimously approved.

B. **2022 Caterpillar 308 Excavator Purchase** –

After some review and discussion, **on a motion by Mr. Bucuren; seconded by Mr. Kowal** to purchase a new 2022 Caterpillar 308 Excavator from Cleveland Brothers through COSTARS in the amount of \$ 137,534.00.

A roll call vote was taken.

Mr. Bucuren	Yes
Mr. Kowal	Yes
Mr. Metz	Yes
Mr. Ruckert	Yes
Mr. Sivy	Yes

Mr. Sylvester **No**
Mr. Morrone **Yes**

Motion carried – 6-1.

C. 2004 Peterbilt Truck No. 7 Repairs –

On a motion by Mr. Ruckert; seconded by Mr. Kowal to approve the 2004 Peterbilt Truck No. 7, repairs quote from J&J Truck Equipment. Motion was unanimously approved.

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

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE – No agenda item at this time.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE – No agenda item at this time.

MAYOR’S REPORT – No agenda item at this time.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT –

A. Resolution 484, Ambridge School District School Resource Officer –

After some review and discussion, **on a motion by Mr. Sylvester; seconded by Mr. Kowal** to approve Resolution No. 484, authorizing an intergovernmental cooperation agreement with Ambridge School District and Ambridge Borough for School Resource Officer purposes. Motion was unanimously approved.

A roll call vote was taken.

Mr. Bucuren **Yes**
Mr. Kowal **Yes**
Mr. Metz **Yes**
Mr. Ruckert **No**
Mr. Sivy **Yes**
Mr. Sylvester **Yes**
Mr. Morrone **Yes**

Motion carried – 6-1.

ENGINEER’S REPORT – No agenda item at this time.

OLD BUSINESS – No agenda item at this time.

NEW BUSINESS –

A. Berkheimer appointment for collection of Per Capita Tax –

After some review and discussion, **on a motion by Mr. Ruckert; seconded by Mr. Bucuren** to appoint Berkheimer as the tax collector for the Per Capita Tax on a two (2) year trial run starting in year 2022. Motion was unanimously approved.

B. PennEnergy Act 14 Notification –

Discussion occurred on the Act 14 notification letter.

OTHER BUSINESS –

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny, Saturday, April 9th from 9 a.m.-11 a.m. Pancakes & sausage, \$ 5.00, per person, children under 2 free, cash only. Reservations strongly recommended by calling Travis Cavanaugh, Assist. Borough Manager/Secretary at (724)869-4779, Ext. 2.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – No agenda item at this time.

MOTION TO ADJOURN –

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

The Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.



Travis Cavanaugh
Asst. Borough Manager/Secretary