

**REGULAR SESSION
BADEN BOROUGH COUNCIL
AUGUST 16, 2017**

Council Vice-President David Trzcianka called the Regular Session of Council to order at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers of the Baden Municipal Building, 149 State Street, to conduct business of general purposes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mrs. Furr, Mr. Kotula, Mr. Shelkons, Mr. Stuban, and Mr. Trzcianka (Not Present - Mr. Besong and Mrs. Montell)

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Gagliardi, Engineer Tony Sadaka, Code Enforcement Officer Bob Weber

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF OTHER RECORDING DEVICES

AGENDA (Changes and/or Deletions)

VISITORS

John Servick from 946 First Street addressed council in regards to Per Capita Tax and receiving multiple bills. Mrs. Rakovan explained that Berkheimer is aware of the multiple billings and the borough office is working with them to correct the information. The main cause of the problem is that names are not matching up. Berkheimer tried to update the list by incorporating the initial borough list. So what you will find is that the addressee has multiple bills with first and last name or last and first name; middle initial included or missing; maiden name and married name. Mr. Servick also addressed the property on First Street that needs the grass cut. Council explained that they are working on this matter and there are a lot of legal issues that must be addressed. They assured everyone that the attorney, code enforcement officer and council are working on this matter.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Mr. Kotula, carried unanimously to approve the minutes of July 17th and 19th, 2017.

APPROVAL OF BILLS TO BE PAID

MOTION by Mr. Kotula, second by Mr. Stuban, carried unanimously to pay all bills with two signatures.

RESOLUTIONS – None

ORDINANCES – None

BIDS – None

CORRESPONDENCE

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. August 2nd letter from Amato, Start & Associates regarding garage only structures in the R1 Zone.

2. August 1st letters from Thomas J. Anderson & Associates with attached 2018 Minimum Municipal Obligation for the Police and Non-Uniform Pensions. Police MMO requirement is \$62,886 and Non-Uniform is 50,508.

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Mr. Kotula, carried unanimously to budget for the Uniform and Non-Uniform pensions in the amounts of \$62,886 for police and \$50,508 for non-uniform.

3. August 14th letter from Timothy Firich notifying Council of his resignation as Emergency Management Coordinator for Baden Borough as of Wednesday, August 16, 2017.

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Mrs. Furr, carried unanimously to accept the resignation of Timothy Firich and to send him a thank you letter.

Aministration & Finance (John Shelkons)

- General Fund Ledger Balance \$286,572 - Expenses \$261,034
- Water Fund Balance \$203,734 - Expenses \$26,745

Audit – Mr. Shelkons stated that council has a copy of the audit for review. A motion will need to be made at next month’s meeting to accept the audit as presented.

Buildings, Property & Grounds / Public Safety (Ted Kotula)

Knox Box Ordinance - Mr. Kotula stated that Fire Chief Baker did have questions regarding who will enforce the ordinance, time limits and fines. He stated that Mr. Baker has no issue with enforcing the ordinance.

MOTION by Mr. Kotula, second by Mr. Shelkons, carried unanimously to advertise the Knox Box Ordinance with the intention to adopt at the next meeting.

Part Time Police - Mr. Shelkons received confirmation that the background checks were completed.

MOTION by Mr. Shelkons, second by Mr. Kotula, carried unanimously to hire Mr. Hrabanek, Doug Miller, Alexa Koral, and Corey Krebs.

Community Relations (Michael Stuban)

Traffic Light at Corner of State Street and Harmony Road – Mr. Stuban reported that the secretary filed a claim with the insurance company for the traffic light and the repair will be covered under our insurance.

Public Works (Dave Trzcianka)

Mr. Trzcianka reported that negotiations are still taking place.

Library / Recreation & Communications (Suzie Furr)

Fall Fest – Mrs. Furr stated that they are working on the Fall Fest that will take place on October 14th.

Sanitation, Recycling & Municipal Authority (Judj Montell)

Not Present

Solicitor’s Report

Not Present

Engineer's Report

Paving - Mr. Sadaka stated that once the waterline from Prospect to Dippold is replaced the paving will begin.

Library Roof – Mr. Sadaka stated that they recommend replacing the roof in kind instead of a pitch. The bid package is ready to be put out for bid.

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Mr. Kotula, carried unanimously to advertise and put the Library Roof out for bid.

MS4 – Mr. Sadaka stated that the MS4 annual report is being submitted. The deadline is September 14th.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Gagliardi reported that there were 166 calls last month. Fines collected for the past month were \$703.12.

President's Report

Nothing to report.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Mr. Sheikons, carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 6:49 PM.

Respectfully submitted for approval,



Elaine K. Rakovan
Borough Secretary
September 18, 2017