

**PRE-MEETING  
BADEN BOROUGH COUNCIL  
APRIL 18, 2016**

Council President Mr. Besong called the Pre-Meeting 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, Mrs. Montell, Mr. Sheikons, Mr. Stuban, Mr. Trzcianka and Mr. Besong

**ALSO PRESENT:** Mayor Sam Gagliardi, Tim Firich, Michael Josapak

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF OTHER RECORDING DEVICES**

**AGENDA (Changes and/or Deletions)**

**VISITORS**

Patsy Borriello from 501 Bryan Avenue complained to Council in regards to the website being updated and what information is available.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Secretary**

**Executive Session**

An executive session is needed at the end of meeting to discuss update of the personnel issue.

**330 State Street**

Agreement of sale, deed and resolution has been written by the solicitor. The resolution will need to be adopted at Wednesday's meeting.

**Transfer to Wesbanco Bank**

Final transfer to Wesbanco is almost done. Waiting for confirmation of direct deposits and withdrawals to new accounts before closing the Citizen Bank Accounts.

**West View Water**

There are changes to the street opening permit. Please see attached email. The engineer is overseeing the street opening issue (permit). Someone still needs to be assigned to make sure that other permits and inspections are being done accordingly.

**Quigley Waterline Agreement**

Quigley had no changes to the agreement. Two copies have been mailed to them for signature.

**MS4 (Storm Water Management)**

The DEP will be doing the MS4 inspection for Baden Borough next month.

**Timber Harvesting**

Paperwork and permit fees for the Lions Club property have been received. The engineer is speaking with the company to confirm and clear up other information.

**CDBG Funding**

Demolition of Jefferson Street and Harmony Road houses. Paperwork has been submitted.

**Ethic Statements**

Elected Officials need to submit the form to the secretary no later than May 1, 2016.

**Ordinances Tabled at November meeting**

941 Amending the Code striking Chapter 170

942 Establishing the licensing and inspection of all rental units

**Liquid Fuels**

The 2016 Liquid Fuels allocation in the amount of \$123,518.53 was deposited on April 5, 2016.

**Fire Truck Loan**

The DCED sent format paperwork for the VLAP 2% loan. The auditor is working on the debt statement. The \$100,000 deposit check has been mailed to Brindlee Mountain.

**Pinney Street Bridge**

Hearing Notice for John J Shelkons v. Norfolk Southern Railway Company

**House Bill 1296**

To expand permitted investments for all local governments and school districts

**Public Works**

Mr. Josapak had nothing to report.

Mr. Stuban asked about the meeting he had with PennDOT regarding sidewalks ramps on Phillips Street. PennDOT was asking for assistance in funding the ramps.

Mr. Stuban asked Mr. Josapak to give dates for hydrant flushing and to advertise the dates.

**CEO**

Not present

Council discussed appointing a temporary CEO to fill in for a month as well as the job duties involved and what could be handled by the Building Inspector.

**Police Department**

Not Present

**Fire Department**

Mr. Firich reported that for the month of March there were 17 calls. Six were EMS calls and half of them were for over doses.

Mrs. Montell asked why there was no defibrillator in the police car for the call that took place at the Legion.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS****Administration & Finance (John Shelkons)**

General Fund Balance \$141,488

Water Fund Balance \$148,957

Mr. Stuban addressed the refinancing of the Bond which would save up towards \$100,000. He discussed with Council including the fire truck in the bond refinancing as well as maybe alittle extra money to purchase a new street sweeper. This would not take place until September and the goal is to keep the payments the same with minimal extension of the time frame. He is also looking into refinancing the PennVest Loans too.

**Buildings, Property & Grounds (Ted Kotula)**

Mr. Kotula stated that he will be getting bids to remove the stumps in the memorial park.

Mrs. Montell asked for permission to have the Legion get an electrician to check into getting electricity to have lights to shine on the memorial at the library. Discussion also took place regarding reconnecting the light at the Hill Cemetery to the electricity for the Municipal Authority pit.

**Public Safety (Ted Kotula)**

Mr. Kotula commented that he had nothing to report.

**Community Relations (Michael Stuban)**

Mr. Stuban commented that he had nothing further to report.

**Public Works (Dave Trzcianka)**

Mr. Trzcianka commented that he will make a motion on Wednesday to hire three summer help at \$10 per hour.

Mr. Trzcianka offered to have some firemen work to flush the hydrants.

Mr. Trzcianka noted that West View Water hit a waterline by the railroad and they are doing the repair.

Mr. Trzcianka stated that the siren has been disconnected and will be relocated by the Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Stuban asked when the cars were going to be removed from the lower lot. Mr. Trzcianka stated that he spoke to Harvey and he will start removing cars from the lot starting tomorrow.

**Library (Suzie Furr)**

Mrs. Furr asked if Public Works looked at the overhang (roof) of the library. Mr. Josapak stated that the roof is damaged and it is something they can't repair. Conversation took place regarding the roof repair options and the condition of the rug on the steps.

**Recreation & Communications (Suzie Furr)**

Mrs. Furr noted that the community yard sale will be on June 4<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Sheikons commented that we should make around \$1,000 from the ads to cover the printing. He also noted that he is working on getting a quote for the electricity repairs for park.

Mr. Stuban asked if the Recreation Board was going to plan a day of cleaning up the park like we did last year with the Comcast Day of Caring.

**Sanitation, Recycling & Municipal Authority (Judi Montell)**

Mrs. Montell had nothing to report.

Mr. Kotula asked if there was going to be a meeting with the representative from Waste Management. Mrs. Rakovan stated she will ask them to attend Wednesdays meeting.

**Mayor's Report**

Mayor Gagliardi asked about the timber harvesting taking place at the Lion's Club. Mrs. Rakovan explained that the contractor is bonding Harmony Road.

Mayor Gagliardi addressed council in regards to the Legion inviting Council to participate in the Memorial Day Parade.

**President's Report**

Nothing to report

**OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. Stuban addressed Mr. Kotula regarding repairs that need to be done to the walkway. Mrs. Rakovan stated that the company wants pictures so they can see the damage. It is past warrantee.

Mr. Shelkons commented to the Mayor that he is getting complaints about speeding on Tevebaugh Road.

Mr. Kotula asked about getting Private Property signs for down by the river.

**Executive Session**

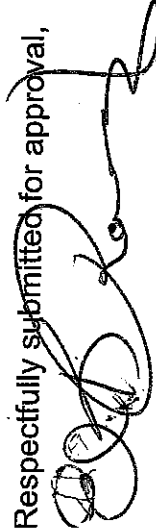
**Motion** by Mr. Stuban, second by Mr. Trzcianka carried unanimously to go into executive session to discuss personnel. Went into executive session as 7:35 PM.

**Motion** by Mr. Stuban, second by Mr. Trzcianka carried unanimously to go back into executive session. Went back into executive session as 8:08 PM.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** by Mr. Trzcianka, second by Mr. Kotula, carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted for approval,



Elaine K. Rakovan  
Borough Secretary  
May 16, 2016