

**REGULAR SESSION
BADEN BOROUGH COUNCIL
APRIL 20, 2016**

Council President Mr. Besong 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, Mrs. Montell, Mr. Shelkons, Mr. Trzcianka and Mr. Besong (Not Present: Mr. Stuban)

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Sam Gagliardi, Chief Christner, Engineer Tony Sadaka and Attorney James Amato

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF OTHER RECORDING DEVICES

AGENDA (Changes and/or Deletions)

VISITORS

- Pam Spencer 322 Camilla Street addressed council in regards to having a biography of each council member on the borough website.
- Tina Jones from 879 Fourth Street addressed council in regards to dumping from the Virginia Heights Apartments over the hill onto her property as well as her neighbors. She understood that the CEO is not available but she asked for council to assist in this matter. Chief Christner suggested and stated that he would send the property owner a letter.
- Beverly Kotis from Berry Street stated that when she walks there are many homes in deplorable condition. She asked if there was an Ordinance regarding taking care of your property.
- Joe Kostial asked if the Borough has opened a junk yard and if the borough is getting paid a storage fee for the junk cars. Mr. Trzcianka commented that two cars were taken out that day and the rest would be taken out by the end of the week.
- Lillian from Ambridge addressed council in regards to the condition of Tevebaugh Road and speeders running her off the road.
- Mrs. Nelson from Franklin Avenue asked if the street sweeper was broken because they only swept one side of the street.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of March 14th and 16th 2016

MOTION by Mrs. Montell, second by Mr. Kotula, carried unanimously to accept the minutes.

APPROVAL OF BILLS TO BE PAID

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

RESOLUTIONS - (Attached for public review)**16-02 Authorizing the sale of 330 State Street**

MOTION by Mr. Trzcianka, second by Mr. Shelkons, carried unanimously to adopt Resolution 16-02

ORDINANCES - None**BIDS – None****CORRESPONDENCE**

1. April 5th letter from Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust asking that council support House Bill 1296 to expand permitted investments for all local governments and school districts.

COMMITTEE REPORTS**Administration & Finance (Michael Stuban)**

- March 2016 General Fund Balance \$141,488
- March 2016 Water Fund Balance \$148,957
- Quarterly Budget - Mr. Shelkons commented that the budget looks good
- Copier and Printers - Mrs. Rakovan commented that she is asking for councils approval to look at other copiers and printers.

Buildings, Property & Grounds (Ted Kotula)

Mr. Kotula stated that he is going to get some prices to repair the walkway at the borough building as well as the roof and steps at the library. He will have that information for next months meeting. He is also going to get pricing and have the stumps ground down in the park.

Public Safety (Ted Kotula)

MOTION by Mr. Kotula, second by Mrs. Montell, carried unanimously to offer separation agreement and general release for Officer Spencer,

Community Relations (Michael Stuban)

Not present

Library (Suzie Furr)

Mrs. Furr stated that the library is looking into fundraisers and celebrating their 75th anniversary

Recreation & Communications (Suzie Furr)

Mrs. Furr stated that the community yard sale will be on June 4th.

Public Works (Dave Trzcianka)

MOTION by Mr. Trzcianka, second by Mr. Kotula, carried unanimously to temporarily hire Bob Weber as the CEO.

MOTION by Mr. Trzcianka, second by Mr. Kotula, carried unanimously to hire three part time summer help at \$10 per hour. They are Noah Hartman, Robert Schultz and Brandon Buck.

Sanitation, Recycling & Municipal Authority (Judi Montell)

Mrs. Montell asked about Waste Management attending a council meeting. Mrs. Rakovan stated that they will attend next months Monday meeting.

Solicitor's Report

Nothing to report

Engineer's Report

Mr. Sadaka stated that the DEP will be doing the MS4 inspection at the end of May.

Mr. Sadaka asked about councils decision regarding Maple Avenue needing gravel at the end of the road. Mr. Sadaka recommend doing it in house for a great cost savings.

Mr. Sadaka addressed West View Water's street opening permit which would result in a permit fee of over \$62,000 in addition to bonding and other fees. He asked for council to approve the agreement and permit fee.

MOTION by Mrs. Montell, second by Mr. Kotula carried unanimously to approve the permit fee of \$62,027 for West View Water.

Mr. Sadaka noted that he will be following up and monitoring the project and the maintenance.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Gagliardi announced that the Legion has invited council to participate in the annual Memorial Day parade.

Mayor Gagliardi addressed his discussion with the Police Chief regarding speeding within the borough which included Tevebaugh Road, State Street, Phillips Street and Harmony Road.

Total fines collected \$1,169.31 and 173 calls.

President's Report

Mr. Besong had nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Mr. Trzcianka, second by Mrs. Montell, carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted for approval,



Elaine K. Rakovan
Borough Secretary
May 16, 2016