

**REGULAR MEETING
RETURN TO SESSION
BADEN BOROUGH COUNCIL
OCTOBER 1, 2014**

Council President Judi Montell called the Meeting of Council back to order at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers of the Baden Municipal Building, 149 State Street, to conduct business of general purposes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENT: Mr. Kotula, Mrs. Michaels, Mr. Stuban, Mr. Trzcianka, and Mrs. Montell
(Not Present: Mr. Besong, Mrs. Villella)

ALSO PRESENT: Chief Christner

Acknowledgement of Recordings

VISITORS - None

Unfinished Business

Mr. Stuban noted that public safety held interviews for part time police officers. The recommendation of the committee is Joshua Causer, Adam Greco, Ryan Chemile and Mike Treskowski.

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Mr. Trzcianka carried unanimously to offer employment to the recommended candidates upon review of the Chief and background checks.

Mr. Stuban stated that Ambridge Water Authority Engineer did get authorization to do the rate study. Upon receiving the study the rates would be adjusted accordingly. Discussion took place regarding rate increase. Mr. Stuban stated that currently the borough is paying Ambridge Water Authority which is causing a deficit in the water fund.

MOTION by Mrs. Michaels, second by Mr. Trzcianka carried unanimously to have the engineer review the study when received.

Mr. Stuban addressed the bidding of 330 State Street. Discussion took place regarding putting a minimum bid on the property. Mrs. Montell wanted \$35,000 to \$40,000. Mr. Trzcianka stated \$30,000. It was agreed to go with \$30,000.

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Mrs. Michaels carried unanimously to set a minimum bid of \$30,000 on 330 State Street.

Mr. Stuban stated that the 2013 audit is done. Council who has email access will receive electronic copies. Those who do not can get hard copies.

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Mr. Trzcianka carried unanimously to pay the Street Foreman from the General Fund instead of the Water Fund for this year.

Mr. Stuban asked that we look at replacing the metal shed in the parking lot because it is falling apart. He asked that council consider this for a future purchase.

Mrs. Michaels addressed the need to purchase a new sound system. Discussion took place regarding types of speakers and sound system.

MOTION by Mr. Kotula, second by Mr. Kotula carried unanimously to purchase the speaker system for approximately \$2,400.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Kostial asked if the audit included the 175th Anniversary. Mr. Stuban noted that if there are questions regarding the 175th Anniversary Fund they can be asked to him. Mr. Kostial stated that he came up with \$16,000 in borough contributions. Mr. Stuban stated that it was closer to \$11,000. There were two wire transfers and the initial deposit was from donations.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Mrs. Michaels carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:12 PM

Respectfully submitted for approval,



Elaine K. Rakovan
Borough Secretary
October 13, 2014