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**REGULAR SESSION
BADEN BOROUGH COUNCIL
OCTOBER 18, 2017**

Council vice-president, Mr. Trzcianka called the Regular Meeting of Council to order at 6:30 PM in Council Chambers of the Baden Municipal Building, 149 State Street, to conduct business of general purpose.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Mrs. Furr, Mr. Kotula, Mrs. Montell, Mr. Shelkons, Mr. Stuban, Mr. Trzcianka

Not Present: Mr. Besong.

Also Present: Mayor Sam Gagliardi, Engineer Tony Sadaka, Solicitor James Amato

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF OTHER RECORDING DEVICES

AGENDA (Changes and/or Deletions)

VISITORS

Mrs. Nelson from Lincoln Avenue addressed Council in regards to the street currently being paved and the area beyond the road (curb area) not being repaired. Mr. Stuban stated that the final walk through was not done yet and it will be addressed.

Joe Kostial from Franklin Avenue addressed Council in regards to two law suits that were filed by Baden Borough against Anthony Wayne Terrace of 15% of their water bill. He stated that the agreement ran out in 1986. He asked what does council have to do to get another agreement to pay the 15%. Mr. Stuban stated that the agreement of the 15% expired in 1986. This was brought up by Mr. Kostial 10 to 15 years ago and the solicitor did look into it at that time and there was nothing the borough could do. Mrs. Sambol at that time also stated that it was a one time agreement and nothing could be done. It was noted that AWT does not get their water from Baden and Baden does not own or maintain their water lines. AWT gets their water directly from Ambridge Water Authority and they are only billed for garbage and sewage. Council stated that the borough can't charge AWT for water that the borough does not supply.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Mrs. Montell, second by Mrs. Furr, carried unanimously to approve the minutes of September 20th 2017

APPROVAL OF BILLS TO BE PAID

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

RESOLUTIONS – None

ORDINANCES – None

BIDS – Library Roof – Public Bid Opening was October 2nd. Tabulated by Widmer Engineering

S & N Industries, LLC	\$ 49,900.00
Miller-Thomas Gyekis, Inc.	\$ 65,431.00
Cuddy Roofing Company, Inc.	\$ 68,845.00
G&W Roofing	\$ 69,000.00
Strongland Roofing Systems	\$ 78,490.00
Voegele Co., Inc.	\$ 80,187.00
Stringert, Inc	\$ 82,879.00
Steel Valley Roofing	\$ 102,443.70

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Mr. Shelkons, carried unanimously to award the bid to the lowest bidder S&N Industries.

CORRESPONDENCE - None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration & Finance (John Shelkons)

General Fund Balance	\$258,702	Expenses	\$80,913
Water Fund Balance	\$155,483	Expenses	\$48,733

Public Safety / Building Properties & Grounds (Ted Kotula)

MOTION by Mr. Kotula, second by Mrs. Montell, carried unanimously to pay M&P Solutions \$6,091 to upgrade the keyless entry system.

Mr. Kotula made a correction to the name he gave during Mondays meeting for BCTA. The man he spoke with was John Fisher not John Snider. Mr. Fisher has informed his bus drivers during a safety meeting about watching their speed and pedestrians while driving through Baden. He also spoke to a woman named Rose about the shelter at the bus stop. Mr. Kotula first noted that the bench and shelter are owned by the BCTA and it is located on the Legion property. Rose told Mr. Kotula that the issue with not putting a shelter up at the Legion bus stop was based upon the low average usage of 5 patrons per day. In other towns they completely removed bus stops with usage under 15. As for the bus stop at Route 65 and Virginia Avenue, PennDOT removed and will not permit that bus stop because of safety. If council still wants a shelter for the bus stop they would have to follow all the guidelines of BCTA.

Mr. Kotula stated that the electric in the park is still being worked on.

Community Relations

Mr. Stuban stated that the paving contractor has asked to finish the paving next year. The streets that still need done are Chestnut Street, Milton Avenue and Jefferson Street area. The problem is that some of these streets were gravel to begin with and there is no paving to put down so the roads need to be reviewed again. The contractor will keep pricing the same for next year.

Mr. Stuban stated that there was a request for a junk dealer license. He stated that the ordinance was from the 1950's and needs to be review by the solicitor.

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Mrs. Furr, carried unanimously to have the solicitor review the junk dealer license ordinance.

Mr. Stuban stated that Mr. Korash from Ted's Floors gave pricing for carpeting for the borough building. The price came in at \$8,500 for the upstairs except the council chambers.

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Mrs. Montell, carried unanimously to have Ted's Floor put in carpeting at a cost of \$8,500.

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Public Works (Dave Trzcianka)

Mr. Trzcianka stated that they are still in negotiations with the Teamsters 250.

Mr. Trzcianka addressed a volunteer (non fire fighter) getting hurt during an event and them not being covered under workers compensation.

Library / Recreation & Communication (Suzie Furr)

Library Fundraisers are being mailed out. They are having their first annual Wassail Walk on December 1st from 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM. So far they only have 2 or 3 locations interested.

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Mr. Shelkons to participate in the Libraries Wassail Walk and have Mrs. Furr in charge of it.

Mrs. Furr thanked everyone who helped in making the Applefest a success.

Halloween parade is October 21st at 10:30AM starting at St. John's church and ending at the Borough Building.

Sanitation, Recycling & Municipal Authority (Judi Montell)

Mrs. Montell stated that Mrs. Badger from State Street School plan to plant the tulip bulbs next week.

Mayor's Report

Chief Christner stated although there were a few hiccups the Applefest car cruise went very well. He stated that he met with Anderson's Candy and they do not need any police assistance for their festival.

Chief Christner noted to Council that Mark Kolakowski was very helpful during the Applefest. He will be helping on Halloween too. He is assisting as a volunteer. Chief Christner also stated that Mark Kolakowski will serve papers for the Borough at no cost.

Chief Christner addressed Council in regards to purchasing three AED's for the police cars. He stated that they did get donations from the Women's Auxiliary and some others but he doesn't know how much. The checks were given to the secretary. Chief Christner asked Council that if we don't have enough can they still purchase the three AED's. Mr. Trzcianka told Chief Christner to contact Economy Ambulance to make sure that the AED's are compatible with theirs.

Chief Christner stated that he is going to purchase door unlock kits for each vehicle so that they can assist with opening car doors for when a child is locked in a car.

Chief Christner stated that the Attorney General Office called him asking that we put some of our officers on their task force. We have done this before, Chief Christner noting that he was on the task force years ago. This helps the borough because it gets the Attorney General office in town going after the drugs. The borough gets reimbursed 110% of the cost for salary, workers comp and whatever else the secretary says we should charge. Reimbursement can be done one of two ways. They can put in a time card and the borough pays the officer. Then the borough submits for reimbursement quarterly. Now it is done per pay and the turnaround is two weeks. Or if Council chooses to the officer may be paid after the borough gets paid by the AG's officer. The two officers from Baden will be Shipley and Korol.

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Mrs. Furr, carried unanimously to authorize the borough to participate in the AG Task Force.

Mr. Kotula stated that he will look into AED prices.

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Ms. Kotula, carried unanimously to come up with the extra funding if needed to pay for four AED's for the police department.

Mayor Gagliardi, Mr. Stuban and Chief Christner met to address the old uniforms and items under the stairwell that need cleared out of the police department. Chief Christner had the old uniforms thrown away and the stairwell is also being worked on.

Fines collected \$791.91

173 calls

President's Report

Nothing to report

OLD / NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Mr. Kotula, carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted for approval,



Elaine Klavin Rakovan
Borough Secretary
November 13, 2017