

**REGULAR MEETING
BADEN BOROUGH COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 19th, 2018**

Council President Judi Montell called the Regular 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: Mr. Besong, Mrs. Furr, Mr. Shelkons, Mrs. Singleton, Mr. Trzcianka and Mrs. Montell (Not present: Mr. Kotula)

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Sam Gagliardi, Solicitor James Amato, Engineer Tony Sadaka and CEO Bob Weber

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF OTHER RECORDING DEVICES

AGENDA (Changes and/or Deletions)

VISITORS - None

MINUTES

MOTION by Mr. Trzcianka, second by Mrs. Furr, carried unanimously to approve the minutes of August 13th and 15th 2018.

BILLS TO BE PAID

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

RESOLUTIONS - None

ORDINANCES - None

BIDS – Retaining Wall for Forrest & Athalia Street – September 14th opening

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| 1. Bioni Drilling Inc. | \$72,000 |
| 2. W.D. Wright Contracting | \$74,500 |
| 3. Lone Pine Construction | \$94,750 |

Discussion took place regarding the hillside versus the road as the slide is not impeding upon the road. Mr. Shelkons asked about possibly paying to move the trailer that the slide is affecting. Further conversation took place regarding the condition of the trailer. Mr. Sadaka stated that we have 60 days to accept or reject the bids.

MOTION by Mr. Trzcianka, second by Mrs. Furr, carried unanimously to table the bids at this time and get prices for moving the trailer.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. September 6th letter from Ambridge Regional Chamber of Commerce regarding the "Ambridge Fall Festival of the Churches" on Saturday, September 29th with request to participate in the parade which will begin at 11:00 a.m.

2. Letter from Donna Michaels, president of the Parks and Recreation Board requesting a donation for Applefest. Prizes are needed for the young artists participating in the art show, baskets to raffle, gift certificates for the car cruise. They are also soliciting for ads for the program from \$25 to \$100.

MOTION by Mr. Besong, second by Mr. Trzcianka carried unanimously to give \$50 from the Flower Fund for the Applefest.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration & Legislation (Bob Besong)

Mr. Besong presented an idea for council approval to start a fund of planting a tree along the back wall of the park for deceased veterans of war. He asked for volunteers and anyone who would like to help with this committee to get in touch with him.

MOTION by Mr. Besong, second by Mrs. Singleton carried unanimously to start a Veteran's Tree Committee of Baden.

Finance (John Shelkons)

- General Fund Ledger Balance \$186,338 Expenses \$81,641
- Water Fund Ledger Balance \$229,729 Expenses \$125,695

Public Safety (Dave Trzcianka)

Police Arbitrator

MOTION by Mr. Trzcianka, second by Mr. Shelkons carried unanimously to ratify the appointment of Michael Miller from Eckert and Seaman as the arbitrator for Baden Borough regarding police negotiations.

Building, Property & Grounds (Ted Kotula)

Walkway

Mr. Trzcianka stated that the walkway repair will start next week. It will have to be closed at least for the week. Patrons must use downstairs entrance.

Public Works (Dave Trzcianka)

Waste Management

MOTION by Mr. Trzcianka, second by Mrs. Singleton carried unanimously to have the solicitor start the proceedings to write a letter to Waste Management regarding breach of contract.

Mrs. Rakovan was asked by council to read a letter from Councilman Kotula regarding the lack of service from Waste Management. Mrs. Montell stated that council agrees with what Councilman Kotula wrote.

Paving Project

Youngblood will be here next week to finish the paving.

Dollar General

Dollar General would like to connect to the storm sewer on Ehman. They will provide an agreement and \$8,000 signing bonus.

MOTION by Mr. Trzcianka, second by Mrs. Singleton carried unanimously to permit Dollar General to connect to the storm sewer on Ehman Avenue with a signing bonus of \$8,000.

Waterline Estimates

MOTION by Mr. Trzcianka, second by Mr. Besong carried unanimously to have the engineer get price estimates to replace the waterlines on Berry Street, Ehman Avenue and North Avenue.

Municipal (Dave Trzcianka)

MOTION by Mr. Trzcianka, second by Mr. Besong carried unanimously to approve and sign the Inter-Municipal Sewage Agreement that the Municipal Authority is making with Conway Borough.

Library (Suzie Furr)

Mrs. Furr stated that the Library is doing two raffle fundraisers for an American Girl Doll and a Lego set.

Community Relations & Recreation (Dawn Singleton)

Mrs. Singleton gave an overview of the Applefest festivities.
Applefest - October 6th
Halloween parade – October 20th

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Nothing to report

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Paving Project

The Engineer prepared a change order for the additional work and working on obtaining a schedule from the contractor to finish the paving.

Borough Building Roof

Construction is under way.

Milton Ave

The pipe was televised. Engineers are obtaining cost of jacking a 6ft pipe in the existing pipe.

Circle Street

Preparing a bid package for advertisement.

Tevebaugh Hollow Road

A meeting was held 9/12/18 with West View Water Authority's contractor and engineer about the condition of Tevebaugh Hollow Road. They agreed to address Baden's concerns after they complete construction of their new water plant at the end of September or early October.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Gagliardi reported that there were 337 calls last month and \$998.97 collected in fines.

Mr. Stuban asked to speak and address a question to the Mayor. He asked about burglaries taking place in town where homes are being broken into. The Mayor was unaware of any event but would look into it. Mr. Stuban stated that there supposedly was an attempt on Schiller Street and an actual break in on Steel Street. There was

also one on Berry Street. Mr. Stuban asked that the community be notified when something like this going on.

Old Business Not on the Agenda, New Business or Unfinished Business

MOTION by Mr. Sheikons, second by Mr. Trzcianka carried unanimously to give the fire department \$350 for the educational fire prevention materials.

Mrs. Singleton presented a certificate from the Sons of the American Legion for their donation.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Mr. Besong, second by Mrs. Furr, carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:58 PM.

Respectfully-submitted for approval,



Elaine K. Rakovan
Borough Secretary
October 15, 2018