

REGULAR MEETING BADEN BOROUGH COUNCIL APRIL 19TH, 2023

Council President Dave Trzcianka called the Regular Meeting of Council to order at 6:00 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. Bosh, Mr. Jones, Mr. Shelkons, Mrs. Singleton, Mr. Stuban and Mr. Trzcianka

NOT PRESENT: Mr. Miller

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Judi Montell, Attorney James Amato, Engineer Tony Sadaka, Fire Chief and CEO Dennis Baker Jr.

This meeting is being electronically recorded by the Borough Manager.

AGENDA (Changes and/or Deletions)

VISITORS

Mrs. Spencer from Camilla Street asked if the \$15 for the sewage bill will be forever. She was told yes by sewage authority board members (Mr. Trzcianka and Mr. Stuban) She also asked about the tree limbs on Steele Street that need removed. The CEO will talk with the property owner.

MINUTES

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Mrs. Singleton, carried unanimously to approve the minutes of March 8th and 15th, 2023.

BILLS TO BE PAID

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

RESOLUTIONS – None

ORDINANCE – None

BIDS – None

CORRESPONDENCE – None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance (John Shelkons)

- General Fund Balance \$165,061 - Expenses \$107,618
- Water Fund Balance \$245,608 - Expenses \$47,725

Public Works, Sanitation & Municipal Authority (John Jones)

MS4 Authority

MOTION by Mr. Jones, second by Mr. Stuban, carried unanimously to Authorize the solicitor and engineer to assist with the necessary steps to create a Stormwater (MS4) Authority. (MS4 is a federal mandate)

Building to house the Harmony Water Tank DEP Approved Equipment

MOTION by Mr. Jones, second by Mrs. Singleton, carried unanimously to hire a contractor to build the concrete structure that is required by the DEP to correct the Potable Water Disinfectant control System Equipment for the Harmony Road Tank that recently had violations during the DEP inspection. Cost estimate for everything (building, wash station, RAFA relocation....) is \$100,000. This is an emergency as there are deadlines to meet with the DEP violation.

Technology, Social Media, Library & Community Relations (Joe Bosh)

Website

Mr. Bosh stated that the website is live.

Newsletter

The spring newsletter will be shorter and have information about the MS4, regional police, retired and new employees. Deadline for submission is May 5th.

Administration & Legislation (Doug Miller)

Property Maintenance Ordinance

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Mr. Jones, carried unanimously to advertise the property maintenance ordinance.

Part Time Office Staff

MOTION by Mrs. Singleton, second by Mr. Bosh, to hire Sasha Diccico as a a part time office secretary at \$18/hr.

ROLL CALL to hire Sasha Diccico as a part time office secretary at \$18/hr

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| Mr. Bosh | Yes |
| Mr. Jones | Yes |
| Mr. Shelkons | Yes |
| Mrs. Singleton | Yes |
| Mr. Stuban | No |
| Mr. Trzcianka | Yes |

Five(5) Yes, One(1) No, Motion Carried

General Government, Building Property/Grounds, Parks & Rec (Dawn Singleton)

Lions Club

Mrs. Singleton spoke at the Lions Club meeting regarding what all the Recreation Board does. The Lions Club thanked the Recreation Board and volunteered to assist in any community events.

Public Safety (Michael Stuban)

Part Time Police

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Mrs. Singleton, carried unanimously to hire Shawn McGrath if the background check is complete and there is a schedule need for a part time officer. (Discussion took place regarding the June 4th regionalization and the need for a part time officer for this short period of time.)

Baden Academy SRO Agreement

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Mrs. Singleton, carried unanimously to enter into an agreement with Baden Academy for an SRO for the balance of the school year at a rate of \$60/hr.

Regional Police Budget

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Mrs. Singleton, carried unanimously to approve the Regional Police Budget in the amount of \$1,082,450.50.

Regional Police Substation

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Mrs. Singleton, carried unanimously to sign an agreement of \$100/mo for Baden to be a substation for the regional police.

Regional Police Monthly Payment

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Mrs. Singleton, carried unanimously pay the regional police a monthly payment of \$63,216.53

Police Sick and Vacation Time

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Mrs. Singleton, carried unanimously to buy back all unused sick and vacation time if applicable.

Police Comp Time

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Mrs. Singleton, carried unanimously to buy back all comp time except 5 days that will be carried over to the regional police department.

Lead Water Lines

Mr. Stuban informed council and residents of another federal mandate that requires the identification of all water lines within the borough, including residential/private water lines to individual homes. Lead lines will need to be replaced.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Nothing to report

ENGINEER'S REPORT

1. USDA - Water System Improvements We are responding to USDA comments.
2. State Street Waterline Replacement (North to Virginia) - Penndot Highway Occupancy Permit was approved. We have a bid package for bids to coincide with the USDA water line project.
3. Storm Inlet Replacements - ARPA Grant We are revising the number of inlets to be replaced based on updated list from the public works department.

4. Boat Launch Permit (GP-3) - We responded to comments from Beaver County Conservation District on the General Permit (GP-3) application for the boat launch on the Ohio River. We are waiting for a response from BCCD.
5. DEP Water System Notice of Violation (NOV) – Harmony Water Storage Tank Upgrades The DEP Public Water Supply (PWS) permit application was approved. Equipment was ordered and submittals from the manufacturer was approved. Estimated time to deliver equipment is 8 to 12 weeks. A small storage building for housing storage tank and chlorination equipment is needed prior to delivery of the chlorination equipment.
6. DEP Water Service Line Inventory - Waterline inventory is due to be submitted to DEP by October 2024.
7. Borough Property - Lot A plan was provided to the Borough Solicitor. Stakes were placed as directed.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Montell stated that she also got complaints about the trees on Steele Street.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Mr. Trzcianka stated that he spoke with the engineer about getting a list of contractors to give rates for emergency waterline repairs. Mr. Sadaka commented that bidding this out is a proper way to do this.

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Mr. Jones, carried unanimously to have the engineer prepare a bid/advertisement for emergency waterline repairs.

Mr. Trzcianka addressed purchasing the pickup truck from the fire department for public works.

MOTION by Mr. Stuban, second by Mrs. Singleton, carried unanimously to purchase the fire departments pickup truck for \$18,000.

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

Mrs. Rakovan noted that the borough building neighbor is disputing the property line markers. Mrs. Rakovan stated that she informed the resident that he will need to go to the magistrate to dispute the property line.

Mrs. Rakovan addressed the need for help to cut grass. Mr. Niehenke is willing to work and cut borough complex and park for \$600 (The professional grass cutting company quoted \$1200 to cut borough complex and park). Discussion followed, the Manager will get more quotes and advertise for summer help.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Respectfully submitted for approval,

Borough Manager, Elaine K. Rakovan

May 17, 2023