

# **REGULAR MEETING BADEN BOROUGH COUNCIL OCTOBER 18<sup>TH</sup>, 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. Jones, Mr. Miller, Mr. Shelkons, Mrs. Singleton, Mr. Stuban and Mr. Trzcianka

**NOT PRESENT:** Mr. Miller

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

*This meeting is being electronically recorded by the Borough Manager.*

## **PROCLAMATION FOR BADEN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Mayor Montell presented the proclamation expressing gratitude to the volunteer firefighters for their dedication to protecting life and property, and supporting our community as leaders and heroes to its citizens.

## **AGENDA (Changes and/or Deletions)**

## **VISITORS**

## **MINUTES**

**MOTION** by Mrs. Singleton, second by Mr. Jones, carried unanimously to approve the minutes of September 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

## **BILLS TO BE PAID**

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

## **RESOLUTIONS**

**23-05** Exempting police from paying into their pension.

**MOTION** by Mr. Stuban, second by Mr. Jones, carried unanimously to accept the resolution.

## **ORDINANCES – None**

## **BIDS – None**

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Mr. Trzcianka commented that the road foreman is requesting to carry over some vacation time since there are many projects taking place in town that needs him to be available.

**Motion** by Mr. Stuban, second by Mrs. Singleton, to carry over 10 days to 2024 that must be used with 90 days of new year.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Finance (John Shelkons)**

- |                        |           |          |           |
|------------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| • General Fund Balance | \$242,509 | Expenses | \$177,286 |
| • Water Fund Balance   | \$367,264 | Expenses | \$73,321  |

### **Public Works, Sanitation & Municipal Authority (John Jones)**

**Motion** by Mr. Jones, second by Mr. Stuban to advertise the Non-Uniform Joinder Agreement for the pension.

**Motion** by Mr. Jones, second by Mrs. Singleton to approved guardrail installation on Schiller Street Extension.

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

Not Present. Nothing to Report.

### **Administration & Legislation (Doug Miller)**

Nothing to Report

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

**Motion** my Mrs. Singleton, second by Mr. Stuban to repair light poles along the driveway at a cost of \$8,775.

### **Harvest Festival**

Mrs. Singleton stated that the festival went well, even with the weather (rain). They had 30 out of 43 vendors participated in the event.

### **Halloween in the Park**

Halloween in the park will take place on October 28<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

### **Public Safety (Michael Stuban)**

#### **Beaver Valley Regional Police Department**

**Motion** by Mr. Stuban, second by Mrs. Singleton to advertise the ordinance regarding Baden Police regionalization with the Beaver Valley Regional Police.

## **SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

Nothing To Report

## **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

### **1. USDA - Water System Improvements**

A preconstruction meeting is scheduled for October 24 at 1 P.M. The meeting will include representatives of JR Contracting, Borough Staff, Widmer Engineering and USDA.

### **2. State Street Waterline Replacement (North to Virginia)**

Construction is in progress and WEI is supporting as required.

### **3. Storm Inlet Replacements - ARPA Grant**

Construction is in progress and WEI is supporting as required.

### **4. DEP Water System Notice of Violation (NOV) – Harmony Water Storage Tank**

This effort is being coordinated by the Public Works department.

### **5. PennVEST - Waterline Replacements**

WEI has initiated a new funding application with PennVEST and WEI is working on completing the application. A virtual 'planning consultation' meeting will be held with representatives PennVEST, PaDEP, WEI and the Borough Manager on October 24 at 10:30 A.M.

### **6. DEP Water Service Line Inventory**

Waterline inventory is due to be submitted to DEP by October 2024.

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Montell state that she got a call from a resident in New Sewickley Township who commended Baden Borough for being a part of the regional police department.

Mayor Montell noted that Walmart invited her and council to their renovation reopening on November 2<sup>nd</sup> .

## **PRESIDENTS REPORT**

Mr. Trzcianka commented that the new traffic signals (crossing signals) are being installed. He asked that we make sure that the settings for emergency vehicles are set properly.

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

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** by Mr. Stuban, second by Mr. Jones, carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Borough Manager, Elaine K. Rakovan