

MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL FEBRUARY 21, 2024 – MINUTES 7:00PM

* MEETING CALLED TO ORDER - SALUTE TO THE FLAG - MOMENT OF SILENCE Mayor Slavicek called the meeting to order at 7:05pm. All in attendance stood for a moment of silence for our armed forces serving to protect us.

* CALLING OF THE ROLL

Mayor Slavicek

Councilman Karczewski

Councilwoman Bohinski

Councilman Duffy

Councilman Dzingleski

Councilman Reid

Councilman Stasi

Also in attendance was Borough Attorney Joseph Youssouf and Borough Engineer Kevin Meade.

* OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided as is required under Chapter 231 Public Law 1975 specifying the time, date, location and to the extent known the agenda by posting a copy on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building outside of the meeting room and providing a copy to the Home News Tribune and Sentinel newspapers and by filing a copy in the office of the Municipal Clerk in accordance with the certification which will be entered in the minutes of this meeting.

* PUBLIC PORTION

During the Public Portion of any Council Meeting members of the Public may only speak on topics of concern to the residents of the Borough. Everyone will be given five minutes to speak as per the Rules to Govern adopted January 3, 2024. During the Public Portion of any meeting, the members of the Public as well as the Governing Body shall be courteous and respectful to one another. No comments and/or behavior that are considered disrespectful, ill-

willed or with the intent to harass will be tolerated. If such behavior occurs, then that individual member of the Public will be asked to sit down and his or her turn to speak will be over, even if the five minutes is not.

No one from the public spoke.

* ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES - January 17, 2024

 $MOTION-Councilman\ Dzingleski$

SECONDED - Councilman Reid

ROLL CALL: 6-0

* CONSENT AGENDA

Report of Municipal Clerk and Tax Collector for January 2024 RESOLUTIONS:

2024 -

59: Appointment of Registered Municipal Clerk

60: Payment of Bills

61: Authorization for Final Payment of Stair Project

62: Authorization for 2024/2025 Community Development Block Grant

63: Appointment of Interim Tax Collector

64: Appointment of Interim Business Administrator

65: Tax Appeals Authorization

Councilman Karczewski asked for Resolution 2024-61 to be pulled.

MOTION – Councilman Karczewski

SECONDED - Councilman Stasi

ROLL CALL: 6-0

* REPORTS of Mayor, Committees, Business Administrator, Borough Attorney, Borough Engineer

Mayor Slavicek thanked the DPW for all their hard work during the snowstorms. He will be in contact with the Chief of Police to go over the no parking ordinances during snowstorms and make sure they are being enforced. Service and Sweets was a successful event. On Maple Street there is an Eagle Scout project with a tetherball court, all are welcome to check it out. The budget is in process. There are many events coming up in March and he hopes to see everyone at them. The Community Development Block Grant (CBGB) are projected to be used to improve the public restrooms at Borough Hall and will be in ADA compliance. He is looking forward to the project.

Councilman Dzingleski spoke about the International Women's Day collection and the significance of it.

Councilman Reid spoke about snowstorm compliance from residents.

Councilman Karczewski had nothing to report.

Councilman Duffy had nothing to report.

Councilwoman Bohinski spoke about unclaimed funds for the Borough, and possibly doing an event for Flag Day this year.

Councilman Stasi had nothing to report.

Borough Engineer Meade spoke on the stormwater ordinances and the annual pollution plan.

* ORDINANCE 2024-01 (Second Reading)

Calendar Year 2024 Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a Cap Bank (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

MOTION – Councilman Dzingleski ROLL CALL: 6-0

SECONDED – Councilwoman Bohinski

* CLOSED SESSION – Resolution pertaining to Matters: Attorney Client Privilege and Litigation.

MOTION – Councilman Dzingleski ROLL CALL: 6-0

SECONDED – Councilman Stasi

* OPEN SESSION

MOTION – Councilman Duffy

SECONDED – Councilwoman Bohinski

ROLL CALL: 6-0

Resolution 2024-66: Temporary Emergency Appropriation #1

MOTION – Councilman Dzingleski ROLL CALL: 6-0

SECONDED - Councilman Reid

* ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a MOTION to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Dzingleski and SECONDED by Councilman Karczewski at 8:41pm. All were in favor.

Melissa Hallerman, RMC

Municipal Clerk