



**MINUTES**  
**Borough of Ambridge –Public Meeting**  
**Ambridge Municipal Complex**  
*August 27, 2013—7:00 PM*

**I. Executive Session**

Council convened an executive session at 6:00 PM for discussion of personnel matters. No action was taken.

**II. Call to Order**

President McCoy called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

**II. Roll Call**

In attendance was Mr. Cafarelli, Mrs. Caldarelli, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Flannery, Mr. Mikulich, Mr. Pucci, President McCoy, Mayor D'Ambrosio, Borough Manager Whitney Brady, Interim Police Chief James Mann, Fire Chief David Drewnowski, Solicitor Rick Start, Engineer Frank Lemmon.

**III. Invocation**

Ms. Barbara Costa provided the Invocation of the Meeting.

**IV. Pledge of Allegiance**

**V. Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes**

Ms. Caldarelli made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of July 27, 2013. Mr. Dunn seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mr. Dunn	Y		Mr. McCoy	Y
Mr. Flannery	Y		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

**VI. Treasurer's Report**

Finance Committee Chair Michael Mikulich provided an oral report of the August 2013 Treasurer's Report.

**VII. Borough Bills and Expenses**

Mrs. Caldarelli made a motion to approve the August 2013 bill list which includes \$19,950.61 in unpaid bills and \$203,606.21 in paid bills. The motion was seconded by Mr. Cafarelli. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mr. Dunn	Y		Mr. McCoy	Y
Mr. Flannery	Y		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

### VIII. Citizen's Participation

Marlene Verygood, Melrose Avenue, spoke regarding the need for another full-time officer. Ms. Verygood also spoke about the status of a full-time police chief. President McCoy responded that the status of the full-time officer will be addressed later in the evening.

Cora Picci, 651 Glenwood Avenue, spoke regarding the use of the Green Field for the Mighty Mites on Sunday, September 1. Mr. Mikulich made a motion to approve the use of the field. The motion was seconded by Mr. Cafarelli. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mr. Dunn	Y		Mr. McCoy	Y
Mr. Flannery	Y		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

Larry Nobil, 605 Pine Street, presented pictures of road conditions near Sixth and Pine Street. Borough Engineer Frank Lemmon stated that the road is on a list of over twenty-one items that Council is considering for improvements.

Mary Anne Chambers, 600 Wilson Street, presented pictures of a public walkway adjacent to her property that is being advertised with handmade signs. She spoke of concerns regarding the safety of her property as a result of people walking through. After various discussion amongst Council regarding the status of paper alleys, the issue was directed to the Borough Manager for review.

Jennifer Watkins, 1035 Maplewood, invited Council to participate in Nationality Days and the committee meeting is scheduled for September 17, 2013 at the Stuffed Pepper. Ms. Watkins also invited Council to a Chamber Wine Tasting on September 21, 2013.

Barbara Costa, Eighth Street, inquired about the appropriate person to direct road concerns to. President McCoy stated to direct concerns to the Borough Manager.

Lisa Ross, 608 Glenwood Avenue, spoke regarding her concerns about disruptive rental properties. Various discussion occurred between Council and a review of the Landlord Tennant Ordinance will be performed.

### IX. New Business

1. Mr. Flannery motioned to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Borough of Ambridge and the Ambridge Police Department Wage and Policy Unit effective January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2017. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mikulich. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mr. Dunn	Y		Mr. McCoy	Y
Mr. Flannery	Y		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

2. Mr. Flannery motioned to ratify the contract between the Borough of Ambridge and the Housing Authority of Beaver County for police protection services in Economy Village, Crestview Village, John F Kennedy Apartments, and Ambridge Towers from August 9, 2013 through September 30, 2014 for \$36,500.00. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dunn. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mr. Dunn	Y		Mr. McCoy	Y
Mr. Flannery	Y		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

3. Mr. Cafarelli motioned to approve the contract between the Borough of Ambridge and Waste Management of Pennsylvania, Incorporated for removal of street sweeping debris at no cost to the Borough in exchange for street sweeping services at the Waste Management facility located at 2197 Duss Avenue, Ambridge effective August 1, 2013 until August 1, 2014. The motion was seconded by Mr. Pucci. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mr. Dunn	Y		Mr. McCoy	Y
Mr. Flannery	Y		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

4. Mrs. Caldarelli motioned to approve the purchase of an ad in the Laughlin Memorial Library Taste of Autumn Celebration program booklet at a cost not to exceed \$50.00 from budget line item 401.322. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mikulich. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mr. Dunn	Y		Mr. McCoy	Y
Mr. Flannery	Y		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

5. Mr. Mikulich motioned to ratify the purchase of two HVAC units for the Fire Department from Reno Brothers Mechanical Contractors at a cost not to exceed \$12,700.00 from budget line item 409.601. The motion was seconded by Mr. Flannery. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mr. Dunn	Y		Mr. McCoy	Y
Mr. Flannery	Y		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

6. Mr. Flannery motioned to authorize the Fire Escrow Refund at 189 12<sup>th</sup> Street in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00. The motion was seconded by Mr. Cafarelli. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mr. Dunn	Y		Mr. McCoy	Y
Mr. Flannery	Y		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

7. Mr. Mikulich motioned to authorize the hiring of Erin Arlotta as primary and Marlene Yetsick for the Crossing Guard position at a rate not to exceed \$34.00 per day pending Pennsylvania Child Abuse History clearance. The motion was seconded by Mr. Pucci. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mr. Dunn	Y		Mr. McCoy	Y
Mr. Flannery	Y		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

8. Mr. Mikulich motioned to authorize the removal of trees by Graham Tree Service at a cost not to exceed \$2,000.00 from budget line item 455.306. The motion was seconded by Mr. Pucci. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mr. Dunn	Y		Mr. McCoy	Y
Mr. Flannery	Y		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

9. Mr. Flannery motioned to approve the repair of storm drains at Fifth Street at Merchant; Eleventh Street at Fire Department; Eleventh Street across from Fire Department; and Alley #2 between Sixth and Seventh Street at a cost not to exceed \$9,800.00 by Giuliana D'Andrea from budget line item 463.302. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mikulich. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mr. Dunn	Y		Mr. McCoy	Y
Mr. Flannery	Y		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

10. Mr. Mikulich motioned to direct the solicitor to file an Emergency Injunction on the Sherriff Sale of the Property at 716 Fourteenth Street and hold all fees incurred against the real estate property tax collector commission. The motion was seconded by Ms. Caldarelli. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mr. Dunn	Y		Mr. McCoy	Y
Mr. Flannery	Y		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

11. Mr. Pucci motioned to exonerate the 2011 taxes for Parcel 09-001-0101-004 otherwise known as Lot 2 Fourth Street Pump Station for the Ambridge Borough Municipal Authority. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mikulich. Mr. Mikulich noted that the exoneration is just for one Parcel is Lot 2. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mr. Dunn	Y		Mr. McCoy	Y
Mr. Flannery	Y		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

12. Mr. Mikulich motioned to direct the Civil Service Commission to provide a list of qualified hires for the Full-Time Police Position. The motion was seconded by Mr. Pucci. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

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Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mr. Dunn	Y		Mr. McCoy	Y
Mr. Flannery	Y		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

**X. Ordinances**

1. Mr. Mikulich motioned to adopt Ordinance Number 1258, an Ordinance of the Borough of Ambridge regulating and enforcing seismic testing. The motion was seconded by Mr. Pucci. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mr. Dunn	Y		Mr. McCoy	Y
Mr. Flannery	Y		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

2. Mr. Mikulich motioned to advertise Ordinance Number 1259, an Ordinance of the Borough of Ambridge repealing Ordinance Number 1100 designating fire loss insurance proceeds be directed to a designated officer of the Borough to be held as security against total cost of remediation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Flannery. Discussion occurred regarding who the Borough Manager would designate to oversee the Fire Escrow. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mr. Dunn	Y		Mr. McCoy	Y
Mr. Flannery	Y		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

**XI. Committee Reports**

Mr. Cafarelli made a motion to accept the August 2013 Committee Reports. The motion was seconded by Mr. Flannery. The motion carried by voice vote.

**XII. Other Unfinished Business**

Mr. Mikulich spoke regarding the need for a sign near the fence at the football field that designates no-parking during games. Mr. Mikulich also spoke regarding the need to repair the fence. Mr. Cafarelli stated that he will work with the Public Works Department and the Borough Manager to see that the fence get repaired.

Mayor D'Ambrosio spoke regarding conditions of various streets and alleys in the Borough. Additionally, the Mayor spoke regarding street light conditions of Duquesne Light poles in the Borough. The Borough Manager stated a list will be forwarded to Duquesne Light.

**XIII. Official Reports**

Mr. Mikulich made a motion to approve the August 2013 Official Reports. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dunn. The motion carried by voice vote.

**XIV. Adjournment**

Mr. Mikulich made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Cafarelli. The motion carried by voice vote at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Whitney M Brady  
Borough Manager