



MINUTES
Borough of Ambridge –Council Meeting
Ambridge Municipal Complex
March 11, 2013

I. Executive Session

Council convened an executive session at 6:00 PM for the purposes of discussing potential litigation. No action was taken.

II. Call to Order

President Mikulich called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

II. Roll Call

In attendance was Tony Cafarelli, Janet Caldarelli, Stephanie Drewnowski, Tina Miller, Joe Pucci, President Michael Mikulich, and Mayor Rich D’Ambrosio. Borough Manager Whitney Brady, Police Chief James Mann, Fire Chief David Drewnowski, Solicitor Richard Start, and Borough Engineer Frank Lemmon were also in attendance. Gerald McCoy was absent.

III. Invocation

Ms. Barbara Costa provided the Invocation of the Meeting.

IV. Pledge of Allegiance

V. Presentations

1. Robert Callen—Beaver County Regional Council of Governments

Mr. Callen spoke regarding New Business Item #5—Regional Police Feasibility Study with the communities of Harmony Township, Baden Borough, Ambridge Borough, and Economy Borough. Mr. Callen stated that the study process should take approximately six months.

Mrs. Drewnowski motioned to approve the Letter of Intent to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development for a Police Department Consolidation Study. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote as indicated below.

Council	VOTE		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mrs. Miller	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mrs. Drewnowski	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mr. McCoy	-		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

Mrs. Drewnowski motioned to appoint Joe Pucci and Mike Mikulich as representatives from Ambridge. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote as indicated below.

Council	VOTE		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mrs. Miller	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mrs. Drewnowski	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mr. McCoy	-		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

2. Victor Rodriguez—a.m. Rodriguez Associates

Mr. Rodriguez spoke regarding *Ambridge Crossing* a senior retirement apartment residence proposed in the Northern Ambridge Retail Center. Mr. Rodriguez stated they have applied to the Community Development Program of Beaver County for financing assistance as well as applying for tax credits. As part of the application process, Mr. Rodriguez stated a letter of support from Ambridge Borough is required. After some dialogue with Borough Council, a letter of support will be issued on behalf of the project.

VI. Citizen’s Participation, on- and off-agenda items (5 minutes per speaker)

Stanley Williamson, 701 Fifteenth Street, stated there are potholes on Church Street that need patched and the alley between Church Street and Route 65 needs paved.

Linda Ogdon, Rochester Salvation Army Corps, spoke regarding a potential partnership with Ambridge for drug abuse and finding rehabilitation through faith-based programming.

Ken Miller, 519 Melrose Street, stated the alley behind Melrose has potholes that need patched.

Kathleen Sabol, 919 Pine Street, inquired about the status of properties going to tax sale and whether there is a way the Borough could notify the public when they are going to tax sale. Additionally, Ms. Sabol spoke regarding the need for a One-Way sign on Glenwood and Olive Lane.

VII. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Mrs. Miller motioned to approve the minutes of the meeting of February 11, 2014. The motion carried by roll call vote as indicated below with Mr. Cafarelli abstaining due to absence.

Council	VOTE		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	A		Mrs. Miller	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mrs. Drewnowski	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mr. McCoy	-		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

VIII. Treasurer’s Report

IX. Motion to approve the February Bill List

Mr. Pucci motioned to approve the February Bill List. Mrs. Caldarelli seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote as indicated below.

Council	VOTE		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mrs. Miller	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mrs. Drewnowski	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mr. McCoy	-		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

X. New Business

1. Mrs. Miller motioned to approve the use of Fourteenth Street from Duss Avenue to Merchant Street on Saturday April 5, 2014 from 7:00 AM until 2:00 PM for the annual All-American Soap Box Derby. Mr. Pucci seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote as indicated below.

Council	VOTE		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mrs. Miller	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mrs. Drewnowski	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mr. McCoy	-		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

2. Mrs. Miller motioned to approve the job description for Patrol Lieutenant for the Ambridge Police Department. Mrs. Caldarelli seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote as indicated below.

Council	VOTE		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mrs. Miller	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mrs. Drewnowski	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mr. McCoy	-		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

3. Mr. Cafarelli motioned to direct the Civil Service Commission to administer a test for the Patrol Lieutenant. Mrs. Caldarelli seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote as indicated below.

Council	VOTE		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mrs. Miller	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mrs. Drewnowski	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mr. McCoy	-		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

4. Mrs. Caldarelli motioned to advertise the 2014 Pavement Maintenance Program to include the milling and resurfacing of Locus Street and Duss Avenue between Sixth and Eighth Street. Mr. Cafarelli seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote as indicated below.

Council	VOTE		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mrs. Miller	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mrs. Drewnowski	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mr. McCoy	-		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

XI. Resolutions

1. Mr. Cafarelli motioned to adopt Resolution Number 2014-01, a Resolution of the Borough of Ambridge approving the Official Sewage Facilities Plan for the New Economy Business Park Plan of Lots Revision Number 3. Mrs. Drewnowski seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote as indicated below.

Council	VOTE		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mrs. Miller	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mrs. Drewnowski	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mr. McCoy	-		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

XII. Committee Reports

Mrs. Caldarelli motioned to accept the committee reports for March 2013. A verbal report was provided by each committee chair. Mr. Cafarelli seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote as indicated below.

Council	VOTE		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mrs. Miller	Y
Mrs. Caldarelli	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mrs. Drewnowski	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mr. McCoy	-		Mayor D'Ambrosio	

XIII. Adjournment

Mrs. Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 PM. The motion was seconded by Mr. Cafarelli. The motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Whitney M Brady
Borough Manager