# BOROUGH OF AMBRIDGE

### **MINUTES**

Council Meeting: December 11, 2018

Ambridge Borough Building



- The December 11, 2018 meeting of Ambridge Borough Council was called to order at 7:00PM within Council Chambers of the Ambridge Borough Building, 600 11<sup>th</sup> Street.
- Roll Call:

Present:

Mr. Cafarelli Mrs. Caldarelli Mr. Dunn Mr. Flannery Mr. McCoy Mrs. Miller Mr. Mikulich Mayor Drewnowski

Also Present:

Borough Manager Kauer, Solicitor Start, Chief Gottschalk, Chief Romutis and Engineer

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Absent:

None-

- Invocation the invocation was conducted by Mr. Barbara Costa, Trinity School for Ministry.
- Pledge of Allegiance

#### Presentations

- 1. Borough Council and the Mayor presented a proclamation to Mr. George Rhawn recognizing his service on the Zoning Hearing Board.
- 2. Fire Chief Rob Gottschalk presented the 2018 Year End Report on Code Enforcement Activities to Borough Council.

### Citizen's Participation On/Off Agenda Items (5 minutes per speaker)

- 1. Mr. Tom Friend, 511 Merchant Street, stated that on January 9, 2018 he came to Borough Council to express concerns about trailers from Creekside Springs Water Company parked on the streets are a potential danger to motorists. He stated that two months ago there was an accident involving one of the trailers. Chief Gottschalk stated that the incident was a DUI driver that was running from the police who then struck one of the trailers. Mr. Friend asked if any action will be taken? Mr. Mikulich commented that the Public Safety Committee is actively working on developing a plan to mitigate this matter.
- 2. **Mr. Louis Hasson, 346 Maplewood Avenue**, stated that he too made complaint to Council on January 9<sup>th</sup>, regarding the entrance ramp to Iron Horse Theater on Maplewood Avenue. He stated that he feels the ramp is not constructed to code and is a source of ice on his sidewalk. He also stated that he is getting litter in his yard from the theater-goers. He also stated that the Borough is maintaining the vacant house next to his, but do not cut the hedges. He stated they should cut the hedges. Mr. Mikulich stated that the Borough will look into his concerns.
- Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
   November 13, 2018, Council Meeting



Mrs. Caldarelli made the motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Mrs. Miller; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Yes	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.			

# Borough Bills and Expenses

Motion to Pay the Bills the following bills was made by Mr. McCoy, seconded by Mrs. Miller; a roll call vote was taken:

1.	General Fund	Unpaid:	\$56,426.15	Paid:	\$6,963.22
2.	2016 Capital Project Bond Fund	Unpaid:	\$12,839.29		•
3.	Grants / Special Project Fund	Unpaid:	\$0.00		
4.	Recreation Fund	Unpaid:	\$0.00	Paid:	\$0.00
5.	Escrow Fund	Unpaid:	\$99.20		
6.	Police Pension Fund	Unpaid:	\$0.00		
7.	Service Employees Pension Fund	Unpaid:	\$0.00		
8.	Firemen's Pension Fund	Unpaid:	\$0.00		
9.	Drug Investigation Fund	Unpaid:	\$0.00		

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Yes	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.			

### Consent Agenda:

Those matters included under the consent agenda are self-explanatory and are not expected to require further review or discussion. Items will be enacted by one motion. If discussion is desired by any member of Council, that item must be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.

# Motion to approve Items 1 through 3 listed on the Consent Agenda was made by Mr. Flannery, seconded by Mrs. Caldarelli, motion carried unanimously.

1. Borough Financial Report - acknowledge receipt of the Borough Treasurer's Report.

Treasurer's Report
(December 11, 2018)

Marilyn Sheleheda - Treasurer

	General	Fund Analysis
\$377,990.16 \$740.60	General Fund Bank Account Bala All Outstanding Checks as of:	ance as of: -(December 11, 2018) -3:00 pm -(December 11, 2018) -3:00 pm
\$377,249.56	Available Balance as of:	-(December 11, 2018) -3:00 pm
	Totals are as follows: Deposits:	\$205,235.73
General Fund Summary:	Debits:which include the follow	\$308,988.84 \$190,800.42 \$172,182.42

\$314,499.46	Sinking Fund	
\$34,386.68	Recreation Fund	
\$3,166.64	Liquid Fuels Fund	
\$11,653.50	Grants/Special Funds	
\$9,477.57	Escrow Disbursement Account	
\$6,828.94	Ambridge Fire Apparatus Replacement Fund	
\$1,153,768.08	Ambridge Capital Project Fund 2016-PLGIT Account	
\$47,343.51	Ambridge Borough Drug Investigation Fund	
	Other Fund Balances as of (December 11, 2018) 3:00 pm	

- 2. Authorize the participation and coordination of the Ambridge Borough Military Banner Program, and authorize the hanging of such troop banners on utility poles on 4th, 8th, 11th Streets and Duss Avenue.
- 3. Authorize the closure of Merchant Street from 8th Street to 16th Street and New Economy Drive on Friday, December 21, 2018 from 5:30PM to 8:00PM for the Lite Up Merchant 1 Mile Dash that is coordinated and benefits the Ambridge High School Track Team.

### New Business - Items for Discussion:

A. Motion to adopt the 2019 Budget as advertised. Motion was made by Mrs. Caldarelli, seconded by Mrs. Miller; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Yes	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.			

B. Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 1311, an Ordinance of the Borough of Ambridge providing for collection of taxes by the locally elected tax collector between the period of January 15, 2019 and April 15, 2019 in accordance with the provisions of Act 169 of 1998 and its amendments. Motion was made by Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mr. Dunn; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Yes	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.			

C. Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 1312, an Ordinance of the Borough of Ambridge levying a tax for the year of 2019 of thirty-four and one-half mills on each dollar of the assessed valuation of taxable property, setting discounts and penalties on collections. Mr. Mikulich stated that there is no change in taxes; millage remains the same for now 14 years. Motion was made by Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Caldarelli; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Yes	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.			

D. Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2018-3, a Resolution of the Borough of Ambridge, County of Beaver and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providing for installment payments on the tax levy for the year 2019 on each dollar of the assessed valuation of taxable property. Motion was made by Mr. Flannery, seconded by Mrs. Miller; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Yes	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.			

E. Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2018-4, a Resolution of the Borough of Ambridge, County of Beaver and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, establishing fees for the filing of applications, permits and licenses for the Borough. Motion was made by Mr. Cafarelli, seconded by Mr. McCoy; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Yes	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.			

F. Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2018-5, a Resolution of the Borough of Ambridge, County of Beaver and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, fixing the salaries and wages to be paid to the non-union personnel for the calendar year of 2019. Motion was made by Mr. Flannery, seconded by Mr. Cafarelli; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Yes	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.			

G. Motion to enter into agreement with Turnkey Taxes for the collection of delinquent taxes, charges and fees. Motion was made by Mr. McCoy, seconded by Mr. Flannery; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Yes	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.			

H. Motion to approve the Harmony Storage Partners LLC, Site Plan for the construction of a self-storage facility on Lot 4R of the North Ambridge Retail Center Plan of Lots No. 3 on New Economy Drive, contingent on the applicant satisfying technical amendments to the plan requested by the Borough Engineer. Mr. Mikulich stated that the plan has been reviewed and recommended for approval by the Ambridge Planning Commission, Borough Engineer and County Planning Commission. Motion was made by Mr. Cafarelli, seconded by Mr. McCoy; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Yes	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.			

I. Motion to authorize the disbursement of \$100,179.00 to Sports and Recreation Associates for Pay Application No. 2 for the Ambridge Parks Improvements Project. Motion was made by Mrs. Caldarelli, seconded by Mr. Dunn; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Yes	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.			

J. Motion to hire Mr. Phat Dai Phan as a probationary part-time police officer. Motion was made by Mr. McCoy, seconded by Mr. Dunn; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Yes	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.			

Mayor Drewnowski introduced Officer Phan to the Council and community. Chief Romutis stated that Officer Phan has experience working with the Freedom Borough Police, has been training with our officers to learn our procedures and streets and that he looks forward to putting him in uniform. Officer Phan added that he is a graduate of Central Valley High School and is a Marine Corps Veteran.

K. Motion to accept the resignation of Mr. Victor Spinelli as the Borough's Emergency Management Coordinator effective September 23, 2018. Motion was made by Mr. Flannery with regrets, seconded by Mr. Dunn; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Yes	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.			

L. Motion to appoint Mr. Martin J. Flannery as the Borough's Emergency Management Coordinator. Motion was made by Mr. Flannery, seconded by Mr. Dunn; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Abstain	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.			

M. Motion to appoint Joanne Trella to the Ambridge Municipal Authority Board with a five (5) year term that would end December 31, 2023. Motion was made by Mrs. Caldarelli, seconded by Mr. Cafarelli; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Yes	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.			

N. Motion to appoint Brad Herskovitz to the Ambridge Civil Service Commission with a (6) year term that would end December 31, 2024. Motion was made by Mrs. Caldarelli, seconded by Mr. Flannery; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Yes	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.			

O. Motion to appoint Joseph Pucci to the Ambridge Civil Service Commission with a (6) year term that would end December 31, 2024. Motion was made by Mr. Cafarelli, seconded by Mr. McCoy; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	No	Mrs. Miller	No
Mr. Dunn	No	Mr. Mikulich	No
Mr. Flannery	Yes	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion defeated, 4	1-3.	9 - 7 - 1	

Motion to appoint Martin Flannery to the Ambridge Civil Service Commission with a (6) year term that would end December 31, 2024. Motion was made by Mrs. Caldarelli, seconded by Mrs. Miller; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Abstain	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.			

P. Motion to appoint Joseph Pucci to the Ambridge Civil Service Commission, as an alternate Board Member, with a two year term that would end December 31, 2020. Motion was made by Mr. Mikulich, seconded by Mr. McCoy; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Yes	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.			

Q. Motion to appoint Matthew Green to the Ambridge Planning Commission with a four (4) year term that would end December 31, 2022. Motion was made by Mrs. Caldarelli, seconded by Mrs. Miller; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Yes	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.			

R. Motion to appoint John Ivancik to the Ambridge Planning Commission with a four (4) year term that would end December 31, 2022. Motion was made by Mr. Flannery, seconded by Mrs. Miller, a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Yes	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.			

- S. Consider action to appoint \_\_\_\_\_\_ to the Ambridge Planning Commission with a four (4) year term that would end December 31, 2022. *No action taken*.
- T. Motion to appoint Lewis LeCerf to the Ambridge Zoning Hearing Board with a three (3) year term that would end December 31, 2021. Motion was made by Mrs. Caldarelli, seconded by Mrs. Miller; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Yes	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.			

U. Motion to appoint Barbara Costa to the Ambridge Zoning Hearing Board with a three (3) year term that would end December 31, 2021. Motion was made by Mrs. Caldarelli, seconded by Mrs. Miller; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Yes	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.			

Motion to appoint Barbara Knecht to the Ambridge Zoning Hearing Board as an alternate member with a term that is set to expire December 31, 2019. Motion was made by Mr. Flannery, seconded by Mrs. Caldarelli; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Yes	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.			

V. Motion to appoint Steve Roberts to the Ambridge Historical Architectural Review Board with at five (5) year term that would expire December 31, 2023. Motion was made by Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Caldarelli; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Yes	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.			

W. Motion to appoint David Bell to the Ambridge Water Authority Board with a five (5) year term that would expire December 31, 2023. Motion was made by Mr. Cafarelli, seconded by Mrs. Miller; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Yes	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.			

X. Motion to appoint Tim Kay to the Ambridge Disruptive Properties Appeal Board with a three (3) year term that would expire December 31, 2021. Motion was made by Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Caldarelli; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Yes	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.	1		

Y. Motion to conduct the 2019 meetings of Borough Council on the second Tuesday of each month, starting at 6:30PM. Motion was made by Mr. McCoy, seconded by Mrs. Caldarelli; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	No	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried, 6-1.			

### Committee Reports

- Code Enforcement Committee: Mrs. Caldarelli reported that Chief Gottschalk presented an
  excellent report highlighting the outstanding work done this year by our firefighters performing code
  enforcement duties. She questioned the Fire Chief on the status of the Knox Box program. Chief
  Gottschalk stated that three businesses now have Knox Boxes within the Borough.
- 2. Public Safety: Mr. Flannery reported that he is working with the Police Chief on conducting a survey of the officers and elected officials regarding crime and law enforcement within the community. He also stated that Chief Gottschalk will be reporting an annual report on the Fire Department at the January meeting.

Chief Romutis stated there has been a rash of car break-ins in the northeast section of the Borough. He stated that is has been mostly criminal mischief and the same issues have been found in Ambridge, Baden, Harmony and Bell Acres. The Chief stated that Harmony Township Police recently arrested two juveniles who are suspected for these crimes. Since their arrest, the issues have ceased. The Chief also stated that he reinstated crime mapping and invited everyone to review the data in the Police Station.

- Public Works: Mr. Cafarelli reported that the Committee met on Monday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, present was himself, Mayor Drewnowski, Joe Kauer and Ted Eberhardt. He stated the following was discussed:
  - Snow Removal: first callout for the season was on November 16th. The Crew has also placed two salt orders this month and is well stocked going into January. Trucks are ready as well.
  - 2. 11<sup>th</sup> St. Street-Sweeping: committee discussed the matter again; it was discussed that the street sweeper will sweep this street if cars are moved on the same days that it sweeps lower 11<sup>th</sup> Street.
  - 3. Sign Work discussed having a uniform height on all signs within the Borough.
  - 4. The following was also discussed:
    - Leaf Collection is wrapping up for the year, the crew is running one additional week through this Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. The program started on October 22<sup>nd</sup>. After next Friday, all leaves and yard waste will need to be bagged to be picked up.
    - Christmas Tree Recycling will start on December 26<sup>th</sup> and run through February 1<sup>st</sup>. They will be picked up on your trash day or can be dropped off at the DPW Building on 11<sup>th</sup> Street.
    - Christmas Celebration Prep, the crew completed the following:
      - O Decorated the Borough Building (inside and out)
      - o Decorated PJ Caul Park, Merchant Street in the Midtown and Historic Districts
      - Put up and decorated the Tree in the Gazebo at PJ Caul Park
      - Cleaned up Merchant Street and Historic District for Christmas in the Village and on Merchant Street.
    - Electrician has switched out multiple burnt out streetlights and traffic signal bulbs, and he also hung the Season's Greetings lighted banner over 11<sup>th</sup> Street.
    - Equipment Maintenance:
      - o Trucks are ready for snow removal (salt spreaders are in and trucks are ready)
      - 5-Ton Dump hydraulic connectors for snow equipment was replaced at Zarin's Equipment Service.
      - o Street sweeper has been winterized and is stored within the Fire Station for winter.
    - Sign maintenance is on-going, replacing missing signs and repairing damaged locations.
    - Ongoing maintenance has been dedicated to filling pot-holes and repairs to multiple alleys.
      - o 11<sup>th</sup> and Merchant sidewalk and catch basin was repaired under on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, via an insurance claim where a motorist struck and damaged the sign post, walk and catch-basin box.
    - Foreman responded, marked and reported multiple PA-One Call requests.

Mayor Drewnowski informed the public that glass will continue to be recycled as part of the Borough's curbside recycling program; other communities are discontinuing the recycling of glass.

Mr. Mikulich stated that the streetscape construction project will be shutting down for the winter on December 21<sup>st</sup>, and work will resume in the spring.

Chief Romutis complimented the Public Works crew, stated that Merchant Street in the Historic District is nicely decorated for Christmas.

- 4. **Parks:** Mrs. Miller expressed appreciation to Mr. Dunn for his Christmas activates and decorations on his house and neighbors on Maplewood Avenue. She thanked him for what he does for the children of our community. Mr. Dunn stated that this is his 10<sup>th</sup> year collecting for St. Jude's Children's Hospital at Christmas time and in that time has collected over \$40,000 for the hospital.
- 5. Engineer's Report: Engineer Suehr reported that the park project is nearing completion. He highlighted that the fencing and benches at the Panek Park Basketball Courts have been installed and the playset is constructed at 8<sup>th</sup> Street Park. He stated that pending work consists of the concrete ramp at 8<sup>th</sup> Street and sealing and line painting at Panek Park. He anticipates the project to be fully completed very soon.

The Engineer also reported that the Borough's MS4 annual report has been submitted to DEP and that all concerns with the Harmony Storage Land Development Project have been addressed.

Lastly, he stated that he is working on the plans and specifications for the paving of Merchant Street and the two public parking lots in the downtown, his goal is to have the project out to bid over winter and to get a jump start on next year's paving season.

### Official Reports

1. **Motion to accept the Official Reports**; motion was made by Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mr. Dunn; a roll call vote was taken:

Council	VOTE	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Mr. McCoy	Yes
Mrs. Caldarelli	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mr. Mikulich	Yes
Mr. Flannery	Yes	Mayor Drewnowski	
Motion carried.		To have distance	

## • Other Unfinished Business

Mr. McCoy stated that vote for Mr. Joseph Pucci to the Civil Service Commission was not about his ability to perform the job, but rather it was personal. He stated that Mr. Pucci came to the United States at age 13, is a Marine Corps Veteran, and has been on the Civil Service Commission for years. Mr. McCoy added that we have an obligation to give veteran's preference for jobs and this appointment should be treated in the same manner.

### Adjournment –

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Flannery, seconded by Mrs. Caldarelli; motion carried unanimously – meeting was adjourned at 7:58PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Joseph Kauer

Borough Manager / Secretary