



MINUTES

Borough of Ambridge – Meeting of Borough Council
Executive Session 6:00 Personnel
Council Chambers
Tuesday, August 9th, 2022 – 6:30 PM

I. Call to Order by Mrs. Miller / Roll Call

Present: Mr. Cafarelli
Ms. DeVincent
Mr. Dunn
Mrs. Miller
Mrs. Tessaro

Absent: Mr. Gill, Ms. Jones-Gilliam, Mayor McCoy

Also present: Mr. Leone, Chief DeLuca, Chief Larrick, Solicitor Chesney, Engineer Brunner/NIRA

II. Invocation – Mrs. Barb Costa, Trinity School for Ministry

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Presentations:

Proclamation to Kim Villella for her years of Community Service presented by Mr. Cafarelli.

Proclamation to Sophia Chickos for her years of service with Water Authority presented by Mr. Cafarelli.

V. Public Comment on/off Agenda Items (5 minutes per speaker)

Anne Bacher – 956 Beaver Road (on behalf of the Planning Commission) -- wondering about the updated ordinance for the Historic District and potential of having the Zoning Map updated. Mrs. Miller stated she would defer to Mrs. Jones Gilliam who can probably provide an update.

Wondering about the repair schedule about the brick streets. Asking how they fit into the repair schedule. Mr. Leone and Mr. Brunner stated that 10th Street and Kerr Street are on the schedule for next year. Some catch basin repairs need done first. Road paving project map is on the website.

Max Schmierer – 1039 Pine Street -- Interested in purchasing property through the repository - Maplewood Avenue; requesting that the Borough exonerate the taxes. Mr. Leone stated we are working on a policy and procedures to exonerate taxes for these properties.

Stan Williamson -- First Baptist Church - Every Friday hot lunches for free. Pittsburgh Community Food Bank provides free canned food. There are free clothes and shoes for back to school for children.

Angela Vorderbrugen – 721 17th Street -- Rules at Walter Panek Park - Wanted to confirm that she can sell her product on public property as she is having an issue with the Little Bridgers Football. Mrs. Miller stated that since this is public property, there is no restriction for selling her product on public property.

VI. Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes

- April 26th – Workshop – Motion by Ms. DeVincent to approve the Minutes from the April 26, 2022, Workshop Meeting; seconded by Mr. Dunn.

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes		Ms. Jones-Gilliam	
Ms. DeVincent	Yes		Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes		Mrs. Tessaro	Yes
Mr. Gill				
Mayor McCoy			Motion Carried	5-0

- May 10th – Regular Meeting – Motion by Ms. DeVincent to approve the Minutes from the May 10, 2022, Council Meeting; seconded by Mr. Cafarelli.

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes		Ms. Jones-Gilliam	
Ms. DeVincent	Yes		Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes		Mrs. Tessaro	Yes
Mr. Gill				
Mayor McCoy			Motion Carried	5-0

- May 31st – Workshop – Motion by Mr. Dunn to approve the Minutes from the May 31, 2022, Workshop Meeting; seconded by Ms. DeVincent.

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes		Ms. Jones-Gilliam	
Ms. DeVincent	Yes		Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes		Mrs. Tessaro	Yes
Mr. Gill				
Mayor McCoy			Motion Carried	5-0

- June 14th – Regular Meeting – Motion by Mr. Dunn to approve the Minutes from the June 14, 2022, Council Meeting; seconded by Mrs. Tessaro.

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes		Ms. Jones-Gilliam	
Ms. DeVincent	Yes		Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes		Mrs. Tessaro	Yes
Mr. Gill				
Mayor McCoy			Motion Carried	5-0

- June 28th – Workshop – Motion by Ms. DeVincent to approve the Minutes from the June 28, 2022, Workshop Meeting; seconded by Mr. Dunn.

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes		Ms. Jones-Gilliam	
Ms. DeVincent	Yes		Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes		Mrs. Tessaro	Yes
Mr. Gill				
Mayor McCoy			Motion Carried	5-0

- July 12th – Regular Meeting – Motion by Mr. Dunn to approve the Minutes from the July 12, 2022, Council Meeting; seconded by Ms. DeVincent.

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes		Ms. Jones-Gilliam	
Ms. DeVincent	Yes		Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes		Mrs. Tessaro	Yes
Mr. Gill				

Mayor McCoy		Motion Carried	5-0
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VII. Approval to ratify and pay the Bills and Expenses:(For the month of August)

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| 1. General Fund | Unpaid: \$122,185.62 | Paid: \$138,571.61 |
| 2. Grants / Special Project Fund | Unpaid: \$0.00 | |
| 3. Recreation Fund | Unpaid: \$0.00 | |
| 4. 2021 Capital Note | Unpaid: \$0.00 | |
| 5. Escrow Fund | Unpaid: \$0.00 | |
| 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 | |
| 10. Fire Apparatus Replacement Fund | Unpaid: \$0.00 | |

Motion by Mrs. Tessaro to ratify and approve payment of bills; seconded by Ms. DeVincent

Council	Vote	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Ms. Jones-Gilliam	
Ms. DeVincent	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mrs. Tessaro	Yes
Mr. Gill			
Mayor McCoy		Motion Carried	5-0

VIII. 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 by Mrs. Tessaro to approve 3 Items listed on the Consent Agenda; seconded by Mr. Cafarelli.**

1. Borough Financial Report - acknowledge receipt of the Borough Treasurer’s Report for August 2022.
2. Consider Action to approve the curb cut for the proposed Laughlin Library parking lot off of Church Street.
3. Consider Action to Approve the street closures for the St. Luke/Good Samaritan Church Festival September 1st -4th.

Council	Vote	Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes	Ms. Jones-Gilliam	
Ms. DeVincent	Yes	Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes	Mrs. Tessaro	Yes
Mr. Gill			
Mayor McCoy		Motion Carried	5-0

IX: New Business

1. Consider Action to promote Police Officer John Chickos to the Rank of Lieutenant as recommended by the Civil Service and Police Chief with a probationary period of one year.
Motion by Mr. Cafarelli to promote Police Officer John Chickos to the rank of Lieutenant as recommended by the Civil Service Commission and Police Chief DeLuca with a probationary period of one year; seconded by Mr. Dunn.

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes		Ms. Jones-Gilliam	
Ms. DeVincent	Yes		Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes		Mrs. Tessaro	Yes
Mr. Gill				
Mayor McCoy			Motion Carried	5-0

Presentation of promotion by Chief DeLuca to Officer John Chickos to the position of Lieutenant effective August 9, 2022.

2. Consider action for the Approval of a 5-year SRO Contract with the Ambridge Area School District. Motion by Mrs. Tessaro to approve a 5-year SRO Contract with the Ambridge Area School District; seconded by Mr. Dunn.

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes		Ms. Jones-Gilliam	
Ms. DeVincent	Yes		Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes		Mrs. Tessaro	Yes
Mr. Gill				
Mayor McCoy			Motion Carried	5-0

3. Consider Action for the Approval of the Civil Service Commission for the Eligibility Listed as; (1.) Cody Reese (2.) Dan Pritchett (3.) Riley Anderson. Motion by Mrs. Tessaro to approve the Civil Service Commission Eligibility List as (1) Cody Reese, (2) Dan Pritchett, (3) Riley Anderson; seconded by Ms. DeVincent.

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes		Ms. Jones-Gilliam	
Ms. DeVincent	Yes		Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes		Mrs. Tessaro	Yes
Mr. Gill				
Mayor McCoy			Motion Carried	5-0

4. Consider action to offer the conditional employment of Cody Reese as Ambridge Borough Police Officer upon completion of a health, physical, drug test background investigation. With a 1-year probation period. Motion by Mrs. Tessaro to offer conditional employment of Cody Reese as Ambridge Borough Police Officer upon completion of a health, physical, drug test background investigation, with a one-year probation period; seconded by Ms. DeVincent.

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes		Ms. Jones-Gilliam	
Ms. DeVincent	Yes		Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes		Mrs. Tessaro	Yes
Mr. Gill				
Mayor McCoy			Motion Carried	5-0

5. Consider Action for the Approval of **Resolution 2022-8** requesting for a CFA Multimodal Transportation Grant in the amount of \$2,390,950.00 with a Borough match of \$1,024,693.00. Motion by Mrs. Tessaro to approve Resolution 2022-8 requesting a CFA Multimodal Transportation Grant in the amount of \$2,390,950.00 with a Borough match of \$1,024,693.00; seconded by Ms. DeVincent.

Comment: Mr. Leone explained the purpose of this grant due to the increases in costs for the Streetscape Project; the Borough is in for a 30% match. This will assist the Borough to better leverage the funds available.

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes		Ms. Jones-Gilliam	
Ms. DeVincent	Yes		Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes		Mrs. Tessaro	Yes
Mr. Gill				
Mayor McCoy			Motion Carried	5-0

6. Consider Action for the Approval of the Zimmerman-Pazzanita 3 Lot subdivision as recommended by the Beaver County Planning Commission, the Ambridge Borough Planning Commission, and the Borough Engineer.

Motion by Mr. Cafarelli to approve the Zimmerman-Pazzanita 3-lot subdivision as recommended by the Beaver County Planning Commission, the Ambridge Borough Planning Commission, and the Borough Engineer; seconded by Ms. DeVincent.

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Mr. Cafarelli	Yes		Ms. Jones-Gilliam	
Ms. DeVincent	Yes		Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes		Mrs. Tessaro	Yes
Mr. Gill				
Mayor McCoy			Motion Carried	5-0

7. Consider Action for the Approval of a the Krivtec 2 Lot subdivision as recommended by the Beaver County Planning Commission, the Ambridge Borough Planning Commission, and the Borough Engineer.

Motion by Mrs. Tessaro to approve the Krivtec 2-lot subdivision as recommended by the Beaver County Planning Commission, the Ambridge Borough Planning Commission, and the Borough Engineer; seconded by Ms. DeVincent.

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Mr. Cafarelli	Yes		Ms. Jones-Gilliam	
Ms. DeVincent	Yes		Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes		Mrs. Tessaro	Yes
Mr. Gill				
Mayor McCoy			Motion Carried	5-0

Committee Reports

- Public Safety Committee – Mr. Dunn reported there was no meeting this month. Meeting next Monday at 9 a.m.
- Mayor’s Report
- Code Committee - Chief Larrick provided report on Ms. Gilliam's behalf. Inspections taking place. High Grass letters and door tags. Code Committee is looking into updating multiple ordinances.
- Public Works Committee – Mr. Cafarelli reported the meeting was postponed until next week.
- Parks and Recreation Committee – Mrs. Miller reported the 2022 Fall Festival of Churches is scheduled for Saturday, September 24, 2022, at PJ Caul Park; Parish Parade will begin at 11 a.m.; Opening Ceremony at 11:30 p.m.; Festival runs from noon until 6:00 p.m. with a variety of food; 10 churches participating; petting zoo, pony rides, pumpkin painting, train rides, face painting, and much more. Entertainment will be all day as well.
- Finance Committee - No report
- Engineer’s Report - Paving started on the road paving project.
- Solicitor’s Report - No Report
- Manager’s Report - Paving going well; appreciate the patience of residents. Glenwood properties are just about down and being cleaned up. Kick off Streetscape meeting - Aug. 29th at 6:00 p.m. Air Conditioning in the Fire Department repaired. Working with Duquesne Light putting in community

charging stations. Looking at public parking lot across from CVS for two EV Charging Stations through a grant. Possibly some fleet charging stations at the Borough. Dollar General almost finished. Interest on the main street also. It's been 1 year and 10 months being here, excited to see all the projects coming to fruition. Excited to be here and thanked the Borough for the opportunity to be here.

X. Official Reports - Motion by Mr. Dunn to accept Official Reports; seconded by Ms. DeVincent.

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes		Ms. Jones-Gilliam	
Ms. DeVincent	Yes		Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes		Mrs. Tessaro	Yes
Mr. Gill				
Mayor McCoy			Motion Carried	5-0

XI. Other Unfinished Business

XII. Adjournment

Motion by Mrs. Tessaro to adjourn meeting at 7:25 p.m.; seconded by Mr. Dunn.

NEXT MEETING OF BOROUGH COUNCIL:

Workshop Meeting: **August 23rd, 2022 at 6:00 PM**

Announcements:

1. Streetscape Planning and Kickoff Meeting to be held August 29th at 6:00 p.m. Council Chambers
2. Crush and Brew event sponsored by the Historic District Committee will be held on September 10th at Old Economy Village
3. The Festival of Churches and JamBridge will be held on September 24th