



Minutes

Borough of Ambridge – Workshop Meeting of Borough Council Tuesday, January 25, 2022 – 6:30 PM

***Note: No electronic audio to type minutes.*

I. Call to Order / Roll Call

Present: Mr. Cafarelli,
Ms. DeVincent,
Mr. Dunn,
Mr. Gill,
Ms. Gilliam,
Mrs. Miller,
Mrs. Tessaro,
Mayor McCoy

Also Present: Borough Manager Mr. Leone, Police Chief DeLuca, Assist. Fire Chief Larrick, Solicitor Mr. Chesney

II. Invocation –

III. Pledge of Allegiance

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

V. New Business

1. Discuss Ambridge School District request for School Resource Officers and consider submitting the proposal presented to the Public Safety Committee as prepared and recommended by Chief DeLuca and Borough Manager.

A. Motion to add Action Item to agenda pertaining to SRO made by Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mr. Cafarelli.

A Vote was taken:

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes		Ms. Gilliam	Yes
Ms. DeVincent	Yes		Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes		Mrs. Tessaro	Yes
Mr. Gill	No		Mayor McCoy	

Motion Carried. 6-1

- B. Motion to authorize the Police Chief, Borough Manager and Solicitor to continue negotiation with the Ambridge Area School District for the purpose of contracting Ambridge Police Dept. for School Resource Officer positions made by Mr. Dunn, seconded by Mr. Cafarelli.

A Vote was taken:

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Yes		Ms. Gilliam	Yes
Ms. DeVincent	Yes		Mrs. Miller	Yes
Mr. Dunn	Yes		Mrs. Tessaro	Yes
Mr. Gill	No		Mayor McCoy	

Motion Carried. 6 – 1

*Mr. Gill voted “No” because he felt it was not a proper or legal motion.

2. Discuss proposal to upgrade Borough’s audio and video recording technology in Council Chambers by SBM Electronics – This will enable the borough to virtually live stream or make meetings available via recording. These meeting will still require a quorum to be present per Borough Code unless an emergency order by the Governor is made.
Discussion: software laptop.
Discussion: streamed on network or post on website.
Will get a bid from local IT company on Duss Avenue (Pittsburgh Area Computer Services).
3. Discussion Borough emails for Council Members and Mayor.
Discussion: Emails for MJGilliam, BDeVincent, MayorMcCoy; others will let Administration Office know.
4. Discuss electronic meeting packets, and borough laptops.
Mr. Leone discussed the advantages of laptops.
Not decision was made at this time.
5. Discuss future expectations for Departments/Committees Reports at our regular meetings.
Mrs. Tessaro asking for committees to meet more regularly and set expectations.
6. Discuss COVID procedures and policy.
Discussion: Chief of Police gave information from Police Chief’s Association concerning ACT 16 – 5 days for Covid. Mr. Chesney gave information and will look into a policy.

VI. Other Unfinished Business

Mayor McCoy commented that 40% – 50% of our town is Senior Citizens. He feels that we need a Senior Center for these folks to attend.

VII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Cafarelli, seconded by Mrs. Miller.
All were in favor.

NEXT MEETING OF BOROUGH COUNCIL: Regular Meeting: 2/8/2022 – 6:30PM

- Planning Commission Meeting - January 27th @ 6:00 PM
Agenda Items: Lenz Court, Smith Development, Zimmerman-Pazzanita Sub-Division.