

October 12, 2022
Peckville, PA 18452

The Regular Public Work Session of the Blakely Borough Council was held at 6:00 P.M. in the Blakely Borough Municipal Building, 1439 Main Street, Peckville, PA 18452.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Jeanette Acciare-Mariani	- present		
Jeffrey Cruciani	- present	Joseph Munley	- present
Michael HENZES	- present	Louis R. Parri	- present
Edward J. Alco, Jr.	- present	Patrick Zwanch	- present
Kevin Swift	- absent	Carlo Celli	- present

Mr. Parri presided. Solicitor - Atty. Conaboy

Be it known a quorum was present.

A motion to accept the public hearing meeting, special meeting, public work session meeting, and regular meeting minutes was made by Mr. Zwanch and seconded by Mr. HENZES. All ayes

Reading of Correspondence

Mr. Paone read a letter from the Pa Liquor Control Board informing the borough of a liquor license transfer to Pop Pop's Mini Market, Inc. from Jam Club, Inc.

Mr. Paone read a letter from the Pa Liquor Control Board informing the borough of a liquor license transfer to La Chingada Restaurant Bar & Grill, LLC from Vino IG, LLC.

Mr. Paone read a letter from Pa Department of the Auditor General informing the borough that our 2022 Fire Relief Payment in the amount of \$37,068.50 will be deposited on August 23, 2022.

Mr. Paone read a letter from Pa Department of the Auditor General informing the borough that our 2022 Municipal Pension Payment-Act 205 in the amount of \$98,135.12 will be deposited on August 30, 2022.

Mr. Paone read a letter from Pa Department of Revenue informing the borough that the PURTA online portal will be changing in

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December 2022 to myPATH which will be the new resource for filing the RCT-900. Our 2021 PURTA distribution in the amount of \$927.47 was also mailed on October 1, 2022.

Mr. Paone read a letter from Keystone Sanitary Landfill informing the borough that our 2023 waste disposal fee will increase \$2.00 per ton from the current \$70.05 to \$72.05.

Mr. Paone read a letter from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation informing the borough of our estimated 2023 Liquid Fuels (Act 655) allocation in the amount of \$192,621.05 plus our Highway Transfer Payment (Act 32) in the amount of \$480.00 will be deposited on March 1, 2023.

Mr. Paone read an invitation from PP&L Electric Utilities inviting borough members to a Borough Forum on Friday, November 4 in Allentown from 8:30AM to 12:00PM. Multiple presentations will be conducted, and an optional tour of the Transmission and Distribution Command Center will also be included. Please RSVP by October 21, 2022.

Mr. Paone read an invitation from Pennsylvania American Water inviting borough members to an H2O Happy Hour at the Radisson Lackawanna Station hotel on Thursday, October 27 from 5-7PM. Please RSVP by October 20.

Mr. Paone read an invitation NextERA Energy Marketing's 10th Annual Public Power Summit held on February 12-15, 2023, at the Eau Palm Beach, Manalapan, FL.

New Business

-Mr. Paone spoke to council on the upcoming Emergency Services Ordinance.

-Mr. Paone also said that we are looking at roads for 2023 to pave. It will be a smaller list of roads due to the large amount done by UGI and PAWC in 2022.

-Mr. Paone spoke to council about the memo that he has prepared called Blakely Forward 2023.

-Mr. Paone informed council that we are replacing a relay in the switchgear building next week. There will be no outages required for the replacement and it will be done within a few hours. The old relay was functioning but needed replacement.

-We are beginning the 2023 budget.

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Old Business

-Mr. Paone spoke to council about investing in a CD through Edward Jones and Fidelity Bank. Current CD rates are approximately 2.80% for a 12-month timeframe. The current rate from FNCB is 0.35%

-Mr. Paone spoke to council about a proposal from Waste Management to use Alliance Landfill. They are proposing a \$54.20 per ton.

Public Comment

No Comments

Motion to Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Henzes and seconded by Mr. Cruciani. All ayes.

Christopher R. Paone
Blakely Borough Secretary

October 17, 2022

The Regular Meeting of the Blakely Borough Council was held at 6:00 P.M. in the Blakely Borough Building, 1439 Main Street, Peckville, PA 18452.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Jeanette Acciare-Mariani - present
Jeff Cruciani - absent Joseph Munley - absent
Michael Henzes - present Patrick Zwanch - present
Kevin Swift - absent Louis Parri - present
Edward J. Alco Jr. - present Carlo Celli - present

Mr. Parri presided.

Be it known a quorum was present.

A motion to accept the public hearing meeting, special meeting, public work session meeting, and regular meeting minutes was made by Mr. Zwanch and seconded by Mr. Alco. All ayes.

READING OF CORRESPONDENCE

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Mr. Paone read the bills presented for payment.
Borough Bills Light Bills

The bills were approved by the finance committee. A motion to accept the bills was made by Mr. Swift and seconded by Mr. HENZES. All ayes.

General Payable - \$191,740.34 Electric Payable - \$42,067.08

REPORT OF BOROUGH OFFICERS

MAYOR - The mayor read her monthly report.

SOLICITOR- Atty. Conaboy asked for a motion to authorize the advertising of the Emergency Services Ordinance for passage at the November Council meeting. A motion to authorize was made by Mr. HENZES and seconded by Mr. Swift. All ayes.

TREASURERS REPORT

Mr. Paone read the Treasurers Report. A motion to accept the Treasurers Report was made by Mr. Zwanch and seconded by Mr. Alco. All ayes.

CONTROLLER - Mr. Celli stated that the borough has begun the 2023 budget.

MINE CAVE COMMISSION - Mr. Paone read the Mine Cave Commission Report for the month of September, 2022. All mine openings and voids are secure as of October 17, 2022. A motion to accept the report was made by Mr. Swift and seconded by Mr. HENZES. All ayes.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

POLICE - Mr. Zwanch stated that we have received delivery of a 2023 Chevrolet Tahoe 4X4. The new vehicle will be in service for the beginning of 2023.

BUILDINGS -No report.

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FINANCE - Mr. Henzes read the Financial Report. A motion to accept the report was made by Mr. Alco and seconded by Mr. Zwanch. All ayes

EMERGENCY SERVICES - No report.

REFUSE - No report

ELECTRIC LIGHT - No report.

ROADS - Mr. Swift said the mill and overlay from the UGI gas main work will be complete within the next few weeks in the Blakely section of the borough.

SEWERS - Mr. Swift stated the Fourth St. Sanitary Sewer Replacement began today.

EQUIPMENT - Mr. Munley said all the vehicles in the borough fleet will be lettered on the doors to show which department they belong to within the next week.

RECREATION - No report.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Parri read a letter with Blakely Borough's decision on joining the 2022 Police Regionalization.

NEW BUSINESS

None

REMARKS FROM CITIZENS:

Jim Randelunas said he is happy that we are not joining the regional police department and thanks everyone from council for the help with the Blakely Hose Co. Smoke Fest.

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Henzes and seconded by Mr. Zwanch. All ayes.

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