

Sharpsville Borough Council met in Regular Session on Wednesday, January 10, 2024 at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers at 1 S. Walnut Street, Sharpsville, PA.

Councilman Combine offered a brief prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

Roll Call: Roll call showed the following present: Patty Cardwell, Tom Patton, Kim Fryman, Chris Combine, Nick Hanahan and Len Grandy

Also present were: Solicitor, John Alfredo and Borough Manager/Secretary Ken Robertson

Absent were: Bob Piccirilli and Mayor, Alex Kovach

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Councilman Fryman and seconded by Councilwoman Cardwell to approve the minutes of the Special Committee Meeting Minutes on December 11, 2023, Workshop Meeting Minutes on December 11, 2023, Regular Session Meeting Minutes on December 13, 2023 and Re-Organizational Meeting Minutes on January 2, 2024. Motion Passed.

Correspondence:

None.

Comments from the Audience:

Kurt Toth: He questioned when Public Works Supervisor, Fran DelMonaco would be retiring. He was advised that no final date has been set as of tonight. He then questioned if the position was going to be advertised, how someone from the public could get hired for the position. He then asked if it was going to be a family member.

Mr. Toth then stated that we illegally raised the millage, water rates and sewer rates at our November 13, 2023 meeting, regarding Ordinance 1176 and went on to stress that this is a serious situation. Solicitor Alfredo addressed his concern and thanked him for bringing it to our attention and he will investigate it and ascertain what needs to be done.

Mr. Toth then proceeded to say that we did not advertise it correctly. He stated that it needed to be advertised three (3) consecutive weeks for the notice and that the Public Notice was wrong. Solicitor Alfredo again stated that he would look into it. Mr. Toth asked him if he was going to reach out to him to let him know that it was wrong and what will be done to correct it, Solicitor Alfredo said that he would not be contacting Mr. Toth. Solicitor Alfredo told him again that he will look into the matter and if something is wrong then he will make a recommendation to Council and if another action is needed then the public will be advised.

Mr. Toth then questioned why the agendas are not on our website. He stated that South Pymatuning's are on their website. Borough Manager, Ken Robertson addressed this question and stated that whatever is required by us will be taken care of.

Mr. Toth then went back to the public notice, regarding Ordinance 1176 being wrong and bringing it to the public's attention. Again, Solicitor Alfredo told him that he will look into it and the situation will be remedied. Mr. Toth then stated that he will take us to court because we illegally raised the rates. Mr. Toth then said that he was embarrassed that we didn't catch the error in the Public Notice.

Monthly Department Reports: A motion was made by Councilwoman Cardwell and seconded by Councilman Patton to accept the Monthly Department Reports from the Code Office, Fire Department, Police Department, Health Office and Public Works. Motion Passed.

New Business:

EADS Group Invoice #239557- Waterline Replacement Project: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilman Hanahan to authorize payment in the amount of \$21,686.51. Motion Passed.

EADS Group Invoice #239558- Water Reporting: A motion was made by Councilman Combine and seconded by Councilman Fryman to authorize payment in the amount of \$420.75. Motion Passed.

EADS Group Invoice #239559-Roof Improvement Project: A motion was made by Councilman Combine and seconded by Councilman Patton to authorize payment in the amount of \$2,534.48. Motion Passed.

EADS Group Invoice #239560-Retainer: A motion was made by Councilman Combine and seconded by Councilman Hanahan to authorize payment in the amount of \$5,307.26. Motion Passed.

EADS Group Invoice #239561- GIS Lead Service Line Inventory: A motion was made by Councilman Combine and seconded by Councilman Fryman to authorize payment in the amount of \$148.51. Motion Passed.

Authorization of PennVest Payment Request #10: A motion was made by Councilman Combine and seconded by Councilman Patton to authorize payment in the amount of \$286,327.69. Motion Passed.

Authorization of Rudzik Payment Application #8: A motion was made by Councilman Combine and seconded by Councilman Hanahan to authorize the payment in the amount of \$265,073.57. Motion Passed.

Authorization of Pennsylvania Roofing Systems Payment Application #4: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilwoman Cardwell to authorize payment in the amount of \$3,262.50. Motion Passed.

Waltz Invoice #1471-2024 Planning & Grants Retainer: A motion was made by Councilwoman Cardwell and seconded by Councilman Patton to authorize payment in the amount of \$500.00. Motion Passed. Councilman Hanahan abstained.

M. Mourine Rodgers Invoice #1036-C2P2: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilwoman Cardwell to authorize payment in the amount of \$850.00. Motion Passed. Councilman Hanahan abstained.

Mockenhaupt Invoice #2023-06672-Employee Contribution Reduction Letter: A motion was made by Councilman Combine and seconded by Councilwoman Cardwell to authorize payment in the amount of \$425.00. Motion Passed.

Ordinance 1179-Sharpville Stormwater Management: A motion was made by Councilman Combine and seconded by Councilman Patton to have the Ordinance taken up for a first and final reading. Motion Passed. A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilwoman Cardwell to accept the reading as the first and final reading. Motion Passed. A motion was made by Councilman Combine and seconded by Councilman Patton to adopt the Ordinance. Motion Passed.

EADS High Street STU Project Amendment: A motion was made by Councilman Hanahan and seconded by Councilman Combine to approve the amendment. Motion Passed.

Resignation of Nick Hanahan, Planning Commission: A motion was made by Councilwoman Cardwell and seconded by Councilman Patton to accept the resignation of Nick Hanahan from the Planning Commission. Motion Passed.

I.C. Electric Invoice #165716-Work performed at the Salt Bin: A motion was made by Councilman Fryman and seconded by Councilman Combine to authorize payment in the amount of \$2,167.90. Motion Passed.

Mercer County Regional Council of Governments Invoice-2024 Retro-Reflectometer: A motion was made by Councilman Combine and seconded by Councilwoman Cardwell to authorize the payment in the amount of \$50.00. Motion Passed.

Mercer County Regional Council of Governments Invoice-2024 ½ Year Assessment: A motion was made by Councilman Fryman and seconded by Councilman Patton to authorize payment in the amount of \$362.00. Motion Passed.

Authorization to sell the 2006 Utility Truck: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilwoman Cardwell to authorize the sale. Motion Passed.

Accept Retirement Letter of Intent from Fran DelMonaco: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilman Fryman to accept Fran DelMonaco's retirement letter. Motion Passed.

Authorize Drafting and Advertising Ordinance Regarding Parking of Commercial Vehicles, RV's and Boats on Residential Streets: A motion was made by Councilwoman Cardwell and seconded by Councilman Hanahan to authorize the drafting and advertising of this Ordinance. Motion Passed.

Authorization to pay for the New Entry Door at the Fire Station: A motion was made by Councilman Combine and seconded by Councilman Patton to authorize the payment for the new entry door. Motion Passed.

Authorization to Advertise Moving the dates of the February and March's Council Meetings: A motion was made by Councilman Combine and seconded by Councilwoman Cardwell to authorize the advertising of the new meeting dates for the months of February and March. February's meetings will be held on February 19th and February 21st. March's meetings will be held on March 18th and March 20th. Motion Passed.

Authorization to Post the Public Works Foreman Position: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilman Hanahan to authorize the posting. Motion Passed.

Conditional Authorization to Advertise Position of Laborer in the Public Works Department: A motion was made by Councilman Fryman and seconded by Councilman Patton to authorize the advertisement. Motion Passed.

Council Comments:

None.

Approval of Payrolls: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilman Combine to approve the payroll of December 14, 2023 from the following accounts, in the following amounts:

General	\$	43,470.74	
Water		12,142.92	
Sewer		4,421.97	
COVID Recovery		0.00	
Health & Sani		0.00	
Total	\$	60,035.63	Motion Passed.

Approval of Payrolls: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilwoman Cardwell to approve the payroll of December 28, 2023 from the following accounts, in the following amounts:

General	\$	29,956.30	
Water		11,802.75	
Sewer		9,715.66	
COVID Recovery		0.00	
Health & Sani		<u>1,808.02</u>	
Total	\$	53,282.73	Motion Passed.

Approval of Bills: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilman Combine to approve the bills from the following accounts, in the following amounts:

General	\$	13,326.16	
Water		918.99	
Sewer		527.86	
Fire		196.70	
Highway Aid		0.00	
Street Lighting		3,020.05	
Health/Sanitation		<u>0.00</u>	
Total	\$	17,989.76	Motion Passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 PM. A motion was made by Councilman Fryman and seconded by Councilman Patton to adjourn the meeting. Motion Passed.


