

Sharpsville Borough Council met in Regular Session on Wednesday, November 13, 2024 at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers at 1 S. Walnut Street, Sharpsville, PA.

Mayor Gill offered a brief prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

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

Also present were: Solicitor, John Alfredo, Mayor Mark Gill and Borough Manager/Secretary Ken Robertson, Matt Harper (EADS) and Chief Frank Joseph

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Councilman Piccirilli and seconded by Councilman Fryman to approve the minutes of the Workshop Meeting Minutes on October 7, 2024, Regular Session Meeting Minutes on October 9, 2024 and the Finance Committee Meeting Minutes on November 4, 2024. Motion Passed.

Correspondence:

None

Comments from the Audience:

None

Monthly Department Reports: A motion was made by Councilman Hanahan 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 #242684- Waterline Replacement Project: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilman Fryman to authorize payment in the amount of \$3,077.15. Motion Passed.

EADS Group Invoice #242687-High Street STU Project: A motion was made by Councilman Piccirilli and seconded by Councilman Hanahan to authorize payment in the amount of \$3,277.56. Motion Passed.

EADS Group Invoice #242688-GIS Lead Service Line Inventory: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilwoman Cardwell to authorize payment in the amount of \$6,204.00. Motion Passed.

EADS Group Invoice #242689-2024 Retainer: A motion was made by Councilman Fryman and seconded by Councilman Hanahan to authorize payment in the amount of \$7,501.75. Motion Passed.

EADS Group Invoice #242690-2024 Paving Project: A motion was made by Councilman Piccirilli and seconded by Councilwoman Cardwell to authorize payment in the amount of \$1,120.00. Motion Passed.

Advertise the 2025 Meeting Dates: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilman Fryman to authorize the advertisement of the 2025 Meeting Dates. Motion Passed.

Advertise the 2025 Proposed Budget: A motion was made by Councilman Piccirilli and seconded by Councilman Patton to authorize the advertisement of the 2025 Proposed Budget. Motion Passed. Ken gave a brief synopsis by stating that there was no proposed tax increase for Street Lighting or Sewer but a small Water increase is expected and as far as the General fund is concerned he is proposing a 4 mil tax increase but that may change depending on this month and December as far as the revenue we collect.

Advertise Ordinance #1181-Setting the 2025 Tax Rates: A motion was made by Councilman Combine and seconded by Councilman Piccirilli to authorize the advertisement of the 2025 Tax Rates. Motion Passed

Advertise Ordinance #1180-Setting the 2025 Water Rates: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilman Fryman to authorize the advertisement of the 2025 Water Rates. Motion Passed.

Planning Commission Appointments: A motion was made by Councilman Combine and seconded by Councilman Patton to authorize the appointment of Ralph C. Mehler and Mark Pallo to the Planning Commission. Motion Passed.

Mockehaupt Invoice #2024-08207-Preparation of the 2025 MMO: A motion was made by Councilman Piccirilli and seconded by Councilman Combine to authorize payment in the amount of \$400.00. Motion Passed.

Black, Bashor & Porsch Invoice #01870 for the 2023 Audit: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilman Fryman to authorize payment in the amount of \$37,500.00. Motion Passed. Ken advised Council that this was for the regular audit along with a single audit.

Resolution 2121-2025 Police Pension Contributions: A motion was made by Councilman Combine and seconded by Councilman Piccirilli to read the resolution. The resolution was read by the Secretary. A motion was made by Councilman Combine and seconded by Councilman Piccirilli to adopt Resolution 2121. Motion Passed.

Resolution 2122-Authorizing Designated Officials to Execute All Documents & Agreements for a Local Share Assessment Grant: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilman Combine to read the resolution. The resolution was read by the Secretary. A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilman Combine to adopt Resolution 2122. Motion Passed.

Local Share Assessment Grant Application Exhibits: Matt Harper, EADS provided a brief explanation in regards to this Grant.

Resignation of Harry Clarke- Part Time Patrolman: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilman Piccirilli to accept the resignation of Harry Clarke. Motion Passed.

Certificate of Substantial Completion for the 2024 Paving Project: A motion was made by Councilman Hanahan and seconded by Councilwoman Cardwell to approve the completion of this project. Motion Passed.

2024 Paving Project-Change Order #2: A motion was made by Councilman Fryman and seconded by Councilwoman Cardwell to authorize the decrease in the contract price by \$11,242.38. Motion Passed.

Youngblood Paving-Pay Application #2: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilwoman Cardwell to authorize payment in the amount of \$166,737.85. Motion Passed.

Waltz Consultants Invoice #1474-Procurement Policy Review A motion was made by Councilwoman Cardwell and seconded by Councilman Piccirilli to authorize the payment in the amount of \$380.00. Motion Passed. Councilman Hanahan abstained.

PA State Association of Boroughs Invoice #708-2025 Membership Dues: A motion was made by Councilwoman Cardwell and seconded by Councilman Patton to authorize payment in the amount of \$721.00. Motion Passed.

Supplemental Items for Consideration:

1. Engineers Report
 - a. Engineers Report-October 2024—Matt Harper, EADS, went over the report.
 - b. Waterline Replacement Project—Matt Harper, EADS stated that all the physical work has been completed and Rudzik is working on the final bill.
 - c. East High Street—North Mercer Avenue Project
 - d. Sanitary Mapping
 - e. Equipment Garage at Maintenance Building
 - f. Survey—Kelly Road Property
 - g. 2024 Paving Project—Matt Harper, EADS stated that this has been completed
2. USVWPCA-October 28, 2024
3. SVEZ Meeting Agenda-September 18, 2024
4. SVAS Meeting-October 24, 2024
5. 2023 Liquid Fuels Audit Closeout Memorandum
6. Home Contracts Financial Monitoring Report
7. Police Pension Plan Fund-3rd Quarter 2024
8. County of Mercer-2025 Millage
9. Objection to 2024 Upset Tax Sale
10. Fringe Benefit Services-Benefit Proposal
11. Amendment to No. 01 to Owner-Engineer Report
12. Notifications for Lead, GRR & Unknown Service Lines
13. Mercer County Board of Assessment Appeals-Woodland Road
14. Pennvest Disbursement-November 2024
15. Grimm Heating & Cooling-Bid Award
16. South Pymatuning Township-2025 Water Rates
17. Sharpville VFD OSFC Grant Application

Chief Joseph provided his report. During the month of October 2024 they had 200 calls, which is more calls than they have experienced at this time in the past years. They had six (6) criminal complaints.

He advised Council that they are working on modified shifts/split shifts to avoid burn out of the officers due to a few officers resigning their positions with the Borough.

The cruisers are working fine, however he did have one in the shop but it was covered under the warranty.

Council Comments:

Bob Piccirilli: He stated that the lights look beautiful outside of the Borough building.

Ken Robertson: He mentioned to Council that someone brought it up to him about having a Charity Fund established through the Borough to help residents pay their local water/sewer & garbage bills. Ken said it is a good idea and he feels that we would be able to find an agency outside of the Borough that would be able to review the applicants and assess their needs.

He also reminded everyone that the Light Up Night Parade will be on Wednesday, December 4, 2024 beginning at 6:00 PM.

Approval of Payrolls: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilman Piccirilli to approve the payroll of October 3, 2024 from the following accounts, in the following amounts:

General	\$	41,772.87	
Water		12,401.02	
Sewer		8,785.42	
Health & Sani		<u>0.00</u>	
Total	\$	62,959.31	Motion Passed.

Approval of Payrolls: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilwoman Cardwell to approve the payroll of October 17, 2024 from the following accounts, in the following amounts:

General	\$	39,446.23	
Water		9,177.91	
Sewer		7,610.24	
Health & Sani		<u>0.00</u>	
Total	\$	56,254.38	Motion Passed

Approval of Payrolls: A motion was made by Councilman Patton and seconded by Councilman Hanahan to approve the payroll of October 31, 2024 from the following accounts, in the following amounts:

General	\$	39,769.70	
Water		13,154.31	
Sewer		4,986.85	
Health & Sani		<u>0.00</u>	
Total	\$	57,910.86	Motion Passed.

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

General	\$	124,308.92	
Water		31,087.40	
Sewer		9,508.22	
Fire		697.68	
Highway Aid		0.00	
Street Lighting		5,978.41	
Health/Sanitation		<u>26,516.10</u>	
Total	\$	198,096.73	Motion Passed.

An Executive Session was called at 7:23 PM

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 PM. A motion was made by Councilwoman Cardwell and seconded by Councilman Piccirilli to adjourn the meeting. Motion Passed.

