

**BOROUGH OF BRADDOCK HILLS**  
**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
**January 9, 2018**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Charles Arthrell, President of Council, called the regularly scheduled council meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Brown led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CALLING OF THE ROLL**

Council Present: Mr. Arthrell, President; Mr. Evans, Vice President of Council; Ms. Bolton; Ms. Ganster

Others Present: Mr. Brown, Jr., Mayor; Robert Garvin, Solicitor; Cheryl Sorrentino, Secretary

**CALLING FOR APPROVAL OF MINUTES AS POSTED**

Motion to approve minutes from December 20, 2017 meeting made by Ms. Bolton

All Ayes

**CALLING FOR BIDS**

No bids.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Correspondence was distributed prior to meeting.

**COMMENTS & CRITICISMS OF CITIZENS (6 minutes each)**

David Ginsburg, 9 Orchard Street – Mr. Ginsburg stated that he appreciated the work that the Public Works road crew was doing. He asked council if they received any feedback on the gas well project in Braddock. Mr. Garvin stated that he discussed it with council prior to today's meeting. Ms. Bolton asked if he read the article in the Braddock Free Press.

Mr. Ginsburg replied that he did not read the article and stated that he is concerned about the potential damage with mines in the area and named other potential hazards with drilling. He asked if Braddock Hills was in the two-mile limit to be notified. Mr. Arthrell answered that he was not sure if they were, but is concerned.

Greta Erick, 302 Pennsylvania Avenue – Ms. Erick stated that she was happy to see the borough peaceful and well run. She commended the borough secretary on her job. She commended the mayor and stated that he is always attending meetings and known in the area. Also, she commended the public works department on a good job.

**1. REPORT OF BOROUGH COMMITTEES**

**A. FINANCE – CHAIRPERSON BOLTON**

Motion to advertise in the playbill for the Woodland Hills School District  
Department of Performing Arts in the amount of \$130.00

Motion - Ms. Bolton

Seconded – Mr. Evans

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous – Carried

**B. PUBLIC SAFETY – CHAIRPERSON GAMBINO**

Motion to enter into agreement with Organized Crime Drug Enforcement  
Task Force to authorize Officer Nathan Smith to assist their agency and all  
hourly wages will be reimbursed to the Borough on a regular basis

Motion - Mr. Evans

Seconded – Ms. Ganster

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous – Carried

Motion to pay \$5,430.73 for 15 ballistic vests for police officers for the  
difference from the grant received from Officer of Justice Programs.

Motion - Mr. Evans

Seconded – Ms. Bolton

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous – Carried

**C. ZONING – CHAIRPERSON GANSTER**

No report.

**D. ORDINANCES – CHAIRPERSON URSINY**

No report.

**E. HEALTH & SANITATION – CHAIRPERSON YAZVAC**

Motion to adopt Resolution 1 of 2017 to join other municipalities within  
Alcosan service area to create a unified approach to source reduction efforts  
and adopt a source reduction study as required by Phase 1 consent order and  
agreement

Motion - Ms. Bolton

Seconded – Ms. Ganster

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous – Carried

**F. BUILDINGS & BOROUGH PROPERTY –CHAIRPERSON EVANS**

No report.

**G. PUBLIC WORKS – CHAIRPERSON ARTHRELL**

Department has been busy with salting streets.

**8. REPORT OF BOROUGH OFFICERS**

**A. MAYOR – JOHN BROWN**

Mayor read police report for December 2017 (see attached).

He commended the North Braddock Fire Department on a job well done with the structure fire located on Fourth Street.

**B. SOLICITOR – ROBERT GARVIN**

No report.

**C. ENGINEER**

Read by Solicitor Garvin (see attached).

**9. REPORT OF COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS: CHAIRPERSON ARTHRELL**

Mr. Evans stated that they attended a meeting and there was a disagreement on the installment of a memorial. Also, the COG had to let go some of the employees due to financial issues.

**10. THREE RIVERS WET WEATHER: CHAIRPERSON ARTHRELL**

No report.

**11. OTHER COMMITTEES**

None.

**12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

**13. NEW BUSINESS**

None.

**14. CALLING FOR APPROVAL OF TREASURER’S REPORT AS POSTED**

**(all ayes vote)**

Motion to approve the treasurer’s report by Ms. Bolton.

All ayes

**15. CALLING FOR APPROVAL TO PAY ALL BILLS AS POSTED IN THE  
TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$174,042.99 TO INCLUDE:**

- General fund expenses of \$166,625.13
- Sewer fund expense of \$7,417.86

Motion – Ms. Bolton

Seconded – Ms. Ganster

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous – Carried

**16. ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING TO THE CALL OF THE CHAIR**

Mr. Arthrell adjourned the meeting at 7:52 p.m