

**BOROUGH OF BRADDOCK HILLS  
MINUTES  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
May 10, 2022**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Evans, President of Council, called to order the regularly scheduled council meeting at 7:01 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mr. Evans led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CALLING OF THE ROLL**

Council Present: Mr. Evans, President; Mr. Gambino, Vice President; Ms. Bolton; Ms. Schaffer; Ms. Nance

Others Present: Mr. Brown, Jr., Mayor; Robert Garvin, Solicitor; Jonathan Barron, Engineer; Cheryl Sorrentino, Manager

**CALLING FOR APPROVAL OF MINUTES AS POSTED**

Ms. Schaffer made correction to minutes from April 12, 2022 meeting to change the Community Yard Sale event date to June 18, 2022.

Motion to approve minutes from April 12, 2022 meeting with correction.

Motion – Mr. Evans

Seconded – Ms. Bolton

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous – Carried

**CALLING FOR BIDS**

No bids.

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

Kevin Connelly, 1418 Brinton Road – Mr. Connelly asked how much the Public Works Department makes as he saw them working on Saturday. He asked who authorized the work.

Mr. Gambino stated that he authorized the work as they needed to address the high vegetation and current lack of staff. Ms. Sorrentino provided the wage information and informed him that the employees did not receive overtime as the work on Saturday did not put them above forty hours for the week.

Mr. Connelly asked if they hired anyone from the Borough. Ms. Sorrentino answered that nobody from the municipality applied.

He asked if they are still scrapping. Mr. Gambino stated that it was never done and that the issue has already been addressed.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Ms. Sorrentino stated that all correspondence has been distributed prior to the meeting.

## **1. REPORT OF BOROUGH COMMITTEES**

### **A. FINANCE – CHAIRPERSON BOLTON**

No report.

### **B. PUBLIC SAFETY – CHAIRPERSON URSINY**

Motion to adopt Resolution 4 of 2022 authorizing the entry into a Collective Bargaining Agreement with Teamster Local 205 for the Braddock Hills Police department effective January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2024, in the form and content attached to Resolution 4 of 2022 as Exhibit “A”.

Motion – Ms. Schaffer

Seconded – Mr. Gambino

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous – Carried

### **C. ZONING & ORDINANCES – CHAIRPERSON KVORJAK**

No report.

### **D. COMMUNITY EVENTS – CHAIRPERSON SCHAFFER**

Ms. Schaffer stated that the Clean-Up Day was a success and there were fifteen volunteers for the event.

She announced that the Community Yard Sale will be held on June 18 and the last day to sign up is June 11 to be included on the map.

Also, Swissvale Borough is holding an event to celebrate Juneteenth and Braddock Hills Borough is partnering with them. She noted that the committee is still working on the upcoming Community Day event on September 10, 2022. All volunteers are welcome and can contact her if they are willing to help with the event.

### **E. HEALTH & SANITATION – CHAIRPERSON NANCE**

Motion to accept the bid from BJC Enterprises for the demolitions of 318 Virginia Avenue, 1072 Park Avenue and 973 Wilkins Avenue in the amount of \$44,890.00. The Borough received a grant in the amount of \$74,880.00 for these projects. The Borough will seek the use of the excess funds for additional demolition projects.

Motion – Ms. Nance

Seconded – Mr. Gambino

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous – Carried

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

Mr. Evans announced that the Borough will be losing Wildlife Control effective May 15, 2022, as our current provider is retiring. Unfortunately, there is no person or organization that provides this service, but we will continue to search.

**G. PUBLIC WORKS – CHAIRPERSON GAMBINO**

Motion to ratify phone vote of April 14, 2022, to approve additional repairs and paving to Harrison Avenue by A. Folino’s Construction to include the remainder of the street in the amount of \$14,644.41.

Motion – Mr. Gambino

Seconded – Ms. Bolton

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous – Carried

Motion to ratify phone vote of April 20, 2022, to hire Marcus Williamson as Public Works laborer to start Monday, April 25, 2022 as per current terms and conditions of the Collective Bargaining Agreement with Teamsters Local 205.

Motion – Mr. Gambino

Seconded – Ms. Schaffer

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous – Carried

Motion to advertise bids for repairs to the roof of Borough Garage and Sr. Center.

Motion – Mr. Gambino

Seconded – Ms. Bolton

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous – Carried

Motion to authorize negotiations with Teamsters Local 205 for wage amendments for the Public Works Contract.

Motion – Mr. Gambino

Seconded – Ms. Schaffer

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous – Carried

**2. REPORT OF BOROUGH OFFICERS**

**A. MAYOR – JOHN BROWN**

Mayor read police, fire and EMS reports for April 2022 (see attached).

He stated that the UPMC program with law enforcement will become operational after June 1. This will be used nationally for preventing individuals from committing suicide. He provided the phone number, 988, for individuals to call for this program.

North Braddock AMVETS Post 60 contacted him to pay a visit to the Borough’s Memorial and invited the Borough to attend.

**B. SOLICITOR – ROBERT GARVIN**

No report.

**C. ENGINEER – JONATHAN BARRON**

Report was read by Mr. Barron (see attached).

**3. REPORT OF COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS: CHAIRPERSON EVANS**

No report.

**4. THREE RIVERS WET WEATHER: CHERYL SORRENTINO**

No report.

**5. OTHER COMMITTEES**

No report.

**6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

No report.

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

Ms. Bolton stated that she attended the Allegheny Southeast Tax Collection Commission meeting about income tax. They discussed how much was received and they don't have final figures to date.

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

**(all ayes vote)**

Motion to approve the treasurer's report by Mr. Gambino

All ayes

**15. CALLING FOR APPROVAL TO PAY ALL BILLS AS POSTED ON THE CHECK DETAIL LISTS**

Motion – Mr. Evans

Seconded – Mr. Gambino

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous – Carried

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

Mr. Evans adjourned the meeting at 7:29 p.m.