

BOROUGH OF BRADDOCK HILLS
MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
August 9, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Evans, President of Council, called to order the regularly scheduled council meeting at 7:04 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Gambino led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALLING OF THE ROLL

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

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

CALLING FOR APPROVAL OF MINUTES AS POSTED

Motion to approve minutes from July 12, 2022 meeting made by Mr. Gambino.

All ayes

CALLING FOR BIDS

No bids.

COMMENTS & CRITICISMS OF CITIZENS (6 minutes each)

Al Kvorjak, 2804 McKelvey Road – Mr. Kvorjak stated that he did not appreciate that the meeting was moved at the last moment.

Ms. Sorrentino responded that the meeting was moved for the safety of everyone because the floor had become hazardous from condensation from the humidity.

Mr. Kvorjak stated that he was against the No Left Turn sign and that the problem is with speeding on Brinton Road. There were further comments made regarding this matter.

Mary McDermott, 1098 Brinton Road – Ms. McDermott thanked the public works department for fixing the grate on Circle Drive. She asked council if a sign could be added if they decide to keep the No Left Turn on McKelvey Road.

Sandra Ellifritz, 2838 McKelvey Road – Ms. Ellifritz asked council how often they drive on McKelvey Road.

Mr. Evans stated that he drove on that road recently.

She responded that she is against the No Left Turn sign on the road.

Mr. Ursiny stated that he recommends traffic signs should be on a referendum to be voted on by residents.

Mr. Garvin stated that traffic signs or laws cannot be on a referendum.

Ms Ellifritz asked why they chose to install the sign.

Chief Helinski stated that there were numerous complaints from local residents and to prevent accidents from turning left onto Brinton Road. He added that PennDOT surveyed the road twice and will not install any stop signs to slow down traffic.

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

No report.

C. ZONING & ORDINANCES – CHAIRPERSON KVORJAK

No report.

D. COMMUNITY EVENTS – CHAIRPERSON SCHAFFER

Ms. Schaffer announced that Community Day is September 10. She added that she has vendor registration forms for anyone interested in having a table at the event. Also, they are looking for volunteers to assist with the event.

E. HEALTH & SANITATION – CHAIRPERSON NANCE

- 1) Motion to remove Lot/Block 300-J-46 from trash billing effective immediately as it is an auxiliary building and not residential

Motion – Ms. Nance

Seconded – Mr. Ursiny

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous – Carried

F. BUILDINGS & BOROUGH PROPERTY – CHAIRPERSON EVANS

- 1) Motion to ratify phone vote of July 14, 2022 to accept the bid of \$70,900 for the roof replacement of the Public Works garage/Senior Center building

Motion – Mr. Ursiny

Seconded – Ms. Shaffer

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous – Carried

G. PUBLIC WORKS – CHAIRPERSON GAMBINO

- 1) Motion to ratify the phone vote of July 22, 2022 to notify Steven Rickard that the Borough has considered his absence of four consecutive days of work without notifying his supervisor as his resignation as laborer from the Public Works department effective immediately

Motion – Mr. Gambino

Seconded – Ms. Kvorjak

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous – Carried

- 2) Motion to ratify the phone vote of July 22, 2022 to advertise the position of laborer with the Public Works department
Motion – Mr. Gambino
Seconded – Mr. Ursiny
Roll Call Vote – Unanimous – Carried
- 3) Motion to adopt Resolution 5 of 2022 entering into agreement with Teamsters Local 205 for wage amendment to the Public Works Contract
Motion – Mr. Gambino
Seconded – Mr. Ursiny
Roll Call Vote – Unanimous – Carried
- 4) Motion to advertise Ordinance 3 of 2022 prohibiting left turns from McKelvey Road onto Brinton Road during restrictive hours
Motion – Mr. Gambino
Seconded – None

2. **REPORT OF BOROUGH OFFICERS**

A. **MAYOR – JOHN BROWN**

Mayor read police and EMS reports for July 2022(see attached). There is no fire report.

He gave a list of courses and sessions provided by Allegheny County Department of Emergency Services.

He stated that the talks with Swissvale Borough regarding police is still ongoing.

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**

Mr. Kvorjak asked about the Borough fee on the water bill. Mr. Garvin explained that the fees are used to be in compliance with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection and United States Environmental Protection Agency.

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 – Ms. Kvorjak

Seconded – Mr. Ursiny

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous – Carried

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

Mr. Evans adjourned the meeting at 7:47 p.m.