

**HARVEYS LAKE BOROUGH, LUZERNE COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

December, 2022

President Kehler welcomed everyone, called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance. He then announced that the meeting was being recorded and asked that anyone with a recording device let council know.

Roll Call:

Mayor Rush - <u>absent</u>	Councilmember Harris - <u>present</u>
President Kehler - <u>present</u>	Councilmember Delaney - <u>present</u>
Vice President Boice - <u>present</u>	Councilmember Hogan - <u>present</u>
Councilmember Hilburt - <u>present</u>	Solicitor Bufalino - <u>present</u>
Councilmember Kelly - <u>present</u>	Quorum was established

President Kehler called an executive session before the meeting to discuss personnel matters

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting – A motion to waive the reading and accept the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting on November 15, 2022 was made by Brandon Harris and seconded by Ed Kelly Motion passed.

Michael Heartshorn of Princeton Hydro spoke about the Bio-retention grate and the Sunset Terrace Grate being finished. Also that the first year of the Hydrilla Grant has been completed He remarked that there was a late algae bloom on the lake which was tested and found not harmful. He also said that Harveys Lake has been granted NFWF small watershed grant.

COMMENTS FROM RESIDENTS:

Susan Fishbein announced that the Bicentennial Sign was replaced on the municipal building.

Manny Santayana spoke about the group of residents who were unhappy with zoning decisions.

Karen Renard still doesn't understand why she needed engineered drawing and her neighbor did not. She was told about the PA UCC rules which state that any wall over 5 feet high needs an engineered drawing and anything under that height does not.

Kevin Lynn asked Manny, if now that Jerry Brown was found not guilty of criminal charges, will he apologize to him.

REPORTS FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Reports given by the following committee chairs:

Police: **Mike Rush** gave the report.

POLICE COMMITTEE: **Bill Hilburt**, Tom Kehler, Ed Kelly

ROADS COMMITTEE: **Bill Hilburt**, Michell'e Boice, Dave Delaney - Bill Hilburt gave the road report.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: **Tom Kehler**, Michell'e Boice, Bill Hilburt -Tom Kehler gave the finance report.

ZONING COMMITTEE: **Tom Kehler**, Brandon, Harris, Ed Kelly – Tom Kehler gave the zoning report.

GARBAGE COMMITTEE: **Michell'e Boice**, Clarence Hogan, Ed Kelly – Michell'e Boice gave the report.

GRANTS COMMITTEE: **Dave Delaney**, Brandon Harris, Clarence Hogan. Dave Delaney gave the grants report

SEWAR COMMITTEE: **Brandon Harris**, Dave Delaney, Ed Kelly. Brandon Harris gave the report

EAC COMMITTEE: **Michell'e Boice**, Michelle spoke about the late algae bloom and the various grants.

Motion to accept reports was made by Brandon Harris and seconded by Ed Kelly. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Request from AA to use the meeting room once a week. Brandon Harris made a motion to allow them to use it with the stipulation that they keep the room clean, sign a hold harmless agreement and pay \$75 per week. Bill Hilburt seconded the motion and it passed.

Remove Harveys Lake from the Leaf Truck and Vactor Truck Partnership with BMCP – Clarence Hogan will look into this and Bill Hilburt made a motion to table this. Brandon Harris seconded it and the motion passed.

Raises and Bonuses for employees. Bill Hilburt made a motion to raise borough employees (other than police who have their own contract) by 3 percent and to give department heads a \$650.00 bonus and other full-time employees a \$400.00 bonus. Michell'e Boice seconded it and the motion passed.

Jonathon's Restaurant Liquor License Transfer – In order to transfer the license from Wilkes-Barre to Harveys Lake, Council will have to hold a special meeting about the pending transfer and advertise the meeting two times. The meeting will be held before the next council meeting on January 17th at 5:30 pm. Dave Delaney made a motion to move forward with this and Brandon Harris seconded it. The motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Final Budget – A motion was made by Michell'e Boice to adopt the budget for 2023 and seconded by Bill Hilburt. The motion passed.

PMRS Police Retirement Program Resolution – Dave Delaney made a motion to adopt the resolution and Brandon Harris seconded it. Motion passed.

Motion to pay the Bills and Payroll for November – Bill Hilburt made a motion to pay the bills for November and Michell'e Boice seconded it. Motion passed.

\$	100,187.32	Bills
\$	<u>46,451.75</u>	Payroll
\$	146,639.07	Total

The Next meeting of the Harveys Lake Borough Council will be held on Tuesday, January 17, 2022 at 6:00 pm with a special meeting at 5:30pm at the Harveys Lake Borough meeting room.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn this meeting was made by Bill Hilburt and the meeting ended at 6:45 PM.