

Harveys Lake Borough, Luzerne County

Regular Council Meeting Minutes

December 17, 2024

The Regular Council Meeting of the Harveys Lake Borough Council was held on Tuesday, December 17, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. in the Harveys Lake General Municipal Building, 4875 Memorial Highway, Harveys Lake, PA, 18618.

Call to Order

President Delaney called the meeting to order, welcomed everyone, and asked everyone to join in the pledge of the flag.

President Delaney announced that the meeting was being recorded and requested names of all public members with a recording device. Judy Spagnoulo responded

Roll Call Attendance

Mike Rush	Mayor	Present
David A. Delaney	President	Present
Clarence Hogan	Vice President	Present
Lewis Evans	Council Member	Present
Brandon Harris	Council Member	Present
Robinn Mikalic	Council Member	Present
Robert Prescott	Council Member	Present
Charles West	Council Member	Present
William Watt	Solicitor	Present

Approval of minutes from the previous meeting(s)

Motion made by Council Member Evans second by Council Member Hogan

Public Comment

Several residents spoke expressing their concerns.

Recreational Committee and the change of members

Tax increase

Concerns with the 2025 budget that was presented

Reports from appointed officials and special committees

Police Report: Police Chief Charlie Musial – No report

Roads Committee: *Brandon Harris, Clarence Hogan – Daily checks continue, several storm basins need to be replaced and the borough roads continue to be maintained.

Finance Committee: *Robinn Mikalic, Brandon Harris, Clarence Hogan - General fund \$98,797.81, Expenses \$35,751.39 and Payroll \$57,239.14. Council Member Mikalic explained that Real Estate Fire Tax - Delinquent 301.41 should have a / to reflect Real Estate Taxes that are delinquent. Council Member Mikalic stated that she used that portfolio like what was used in previous years.

Zoning Committee: *Brandon Harris, Clarence Hogan, Robert Prescott – November permit fees total \$4,526.75

Garbage Committee: *Charles West, Robert Prescott, Brandon Harris - No report

Grants Committee: *Clarence Hogan, Robinn Mikalic, Brandon Harris - No Report

Sewer Committee: *Robinn Mikalic, Brandon Harris, Charles West - Maintenance continues on all stations

Back Mountain Community Partnership (BMCP): *Clarence Hogan, Charlie Musial, Allyson Barcheski – Thursday, December 19, 2024 is the next scheduled meeting

Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC): *Lewis Evans, Robert Prescott, Charles West - Council Member Evans stated that the committee is requesting a report on the amount of recyclable tonnage that is taken from the borough.

Rain Tax/Wyoming Valley Sanitary Authority (WVSA) Committee: *Robert Prescott, Brandon Harris, Charles West – No Report

Recreation Committee: * Clarence Hogan, Mike Rush – Christmas party will be held at Grotto on December 22, 2024 at Grotto.

Motion to Accept Reports

Motion made by Council Member West second by Council Member Hogan

Old Business

Motion to table the Adoption of the 2025 Budget to be published.

Motion made by Council Member Hogan second by Council Member Harris

Motion to table the Adoption of the 2025 Real Estate Tax Levy Ordinance fixing the tax rate at .1608 mills for general Borough purposes (which is \$0.168 on each One Hundred Dollars of Assessed Valuation).

Motion made by Council Member Harris second by Council Member Hogan

President Delaney requested a roll call vote

David A. Delaney	President	Yes
Clarence Hogan	Vice President	Yes
Lewis Evans	Council Member	Yes
Brandon Harris	Council Member	Yes
Robinn Mikalic	Council Member	No
Robert Prescott	Council Member	Yes
Charles West	Council Member	Yes

New Business

Motion to Approve Resolution 1202 for an LSA Grant in the amount of \$527,738.97 for 2024 Harveys Lake Borough Roadway Improvement Project.

Motion made by Council Member Hogan second by Council Member Harris

Motion to approve Special Events Permit received for The Lake Run at Harveys Lake

Motion made by Council Member Harris second by Council Member West

Motion to pay the Bills and Payroll for November.

Motion made by Council Member Mikalic second by Council Member Harris

\$57,239.14	Payroll
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\$35,751.39	Bills
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\$95,990.53	Total

Adjournment

Motion made by Council Member West second by Council Member Mikalic at 7:51 p.m.

Respectfully,

Allyson Barcheski
Borough Secretary