**Harveys Lake Borough, Luzerne County**

**Special Meeting Minutes**

**September 26, 2024, 7 p.m.**

The Special Meeting of the Harveys Lake Borough Council was held on Thursday, September 26, 2024,at 7:00 p.m. in the Harveys Lake General Municipal Building, 4875 Memorial Highway, Harveys Lake, PA, 18618.

Vice President Hogan welcomed everyone, called the meeting to order, and lead the Pledge of Allegiance. He announced that the meeting is being recorded and asks that anyone with a recording device let the council know. Solicitor Watt stated that the opportunity was provided for the public to speak and there was no public present.

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| **Roll Call** |  |  |
| Mike Rush | Mayor | Present |
| David A. Delaney | President | Not 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 | Not Present |
| William Watt | Solicitor | Present |

Business

Motion to approve Resolution for BMCP Public Works Equipment LSA Grant. First Council Member Prescott

Second Council Member Harris.

BMCP Cooperation agreement between the member municipalities regarding the Police RMS.

The current software that the Police Dept utilizes is no longer being updated and will be obsolete. This software was applied through a grant in 2023. Invoices paid by the borough will be reimbursed by the sponsoring municipality of Kingston Township. There is a yearly membership fee for the software that will be paid by the borough. Mayor Rush stated that this software can be added to the Police Officers cell phones. Solicitor Watt stated that this this motion will authorize the President Delaney to execute the contract with Cody. First Council Member Mikalic Second Council Member Harris

Solicitor Watt spoke regarding the Police Pension. There was an email sent regarding the Q1 and Q2 reports that were not filed along with no resolution indicating that the officers would be contributing the mandatory 5% to the pension. The law states that employees must contribute to their pension between 5% - 8% unless the council passes a resolution each year indicating that they do not pay anything towards this year’s contributions. Once the resolution is passed, it will then be sent to the state to review. The pension is currently one of the strongest in the state. Joanne from PMRS spoke with Solicitor Watt and advised that she will send him a resolution for 2024 and 2025 to keep the percentage at 0% contribution rate for the borough and the police. At some point the will need to change.

Motion to adjourn at 7:14 p.m. First Council Member Prescott Second Council Member Evans

Respectfully

Allyson Barcheski, Borough Secretary