

## PORT ALLEGANY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

April 1, 2024

**CALL TO ORDER** - The Port Allegany Borough Council met on April 1, 2024 at the Borough Council Chambers. Those present were Council Members Laura Fillhart, Jared Dickerson, Katie Dynda, Sam Dynda, and Cory Thomas. Also present were Manager Jeremy Morey, Secretary Heather Szuba, and Mayor George Riley.

Visitors present were Chris Ernst from E&M Engineers, Michael Johnson from Port Allegany Fire Department, and Dotty Anderson from Port Allegany Heart and Soul.

Council President Sam Dynda called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm, leading those in attendance with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MINUTES** – Cory Thomas made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 4, 2024 Regular Meeting. Katie Dynda seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**BILL LIST** – After review, Katie Dynda made a motion to approve the March 2024 expenditures. Laura Fillhart seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**ENGINEER’S REPORT** – The Engineer’s Report was provided and reviewed by Chris Ernst.

**MANAGER’S REPORT** – The Manager’s Report was provided and reviewed by Jeremy Morey.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT** – Code Enforcement report was provided and reviewed by Jeremy Morey.

**FIRE CHIEF’S REPORT** – The Fire Chief’s report was provided and reviewed by Chief Mike Johnson. Chief Johnson asked Council to consider a tax credit for volunteer firefighters and EMTs, similar to what the school is considering.

**POLICE/MAYOR’S REPORT** – The Police report was provided by Chief Distrola. Mayor Riley announced that the Wine walk would be held on April 20.

**SOLICITOR’S REPORT** – Nothing to report.

**SECRETARY’S REPORT** – McWaPEC invitation was distributed.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Heart & Soul – Council needs a volunteer to serve on the H&S board.

### TAX REPORTS

- Real Estate – 2024 Total Face Collected: \$99,246.52  
2024 Total Uncollected \$480,864.77
- EIT – YTD March 2024 – \$53,809 (2023 \$50,907)
- LST – YTD March 2024 – \$8,538 (2023 \$11,470)

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** – Dotty Anderson gave information regarding what Heart & Soul is for those unfamiliar with the program.

### IMMEDIATE ACTION

Katie Dynda made a motion to accept the resignation of Councilman Jill Stuckey. Laura Fillhart seconded. Motion carried with Council expressing appreciation to Mrs. Stuckey for her service.

Tom Johnson and Aaron Austin were both brought to Council’s attention as willing to fill the vacant Council seat. Council asked the Borough Secretary to post on Facebook that Council was asking for letters of interest and will make a decision at the next Regularly Scheduled Council Meeting.

### FOR FUTURE ACTION

- Garbage Disposal Contract
- Council Vacant Seat

**ADJOURNMENT** – As there was no further business, Cory Thomas made a motion to adjourn. Laura Fillhart seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:59 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Heather Szuba', written in a cursive style.

Heather Szuba  
Borough Secretary