

PORT ALLEGANY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

July 1, 2024

CALL TO ORDER - The Port Allegany Borough Council met on July 1, 2024 at the Borough Council Chambers. Those present were Council Members Laura Fillhart, Katie Dynda, Cory Thomas, Tom Johnson, Caleb Benson and Sam Dynda. Also present were Manager Jeremy Morey, Secretary/Treasurer Heather Szuba, Police Officer Adam Dickerson, and Mayor George Riley.

Absent from the meeting was Council Member Jared Dickerson.

Visitor present was Michael Johnson from Port Allegany Fire Department.

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

MINUTES – Laura Fillhart made a motion to amend the minutes of the June 3, 2024 Regular Meeting to omit the motion to approve the Christmas Committee’s efforts. While Council does support these efforts, no official motion was made. Caleb Benson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Katie Dynda then made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Cory Thomas seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

BILL LIST – After review, Katie Dynda made a motion to approve the June 2024 expenditures. Cory Thomas seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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

MANAGER’S REPORT – The Manager’s Report was provided and reviewed by Jeremy Morey. Council asked the Manager to gather more concrete information from our Solicitor regarding the STMP issue with GFS. Council also agreed that we should plan a ribbon-cutting ceremony when the Square renovations are complete.

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.

POLICE/MAYOR’S REPORT – The Police report was provided by Chief Distrola. Mayor Riley informed Council that the Sergeant’s exams will be administered on July 28.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT – No Report.

SECRETARY’S REPORT – nothing to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – nothing to report.

TAX REPORTS

- Real Estate – 2024 Total Face Collected: \$469,211.95 (80.88%)
2024 Total Uncollected \$110,899.34
- EIT – YTD June 2024 – \$121,215 (2023 \$111,206)
- LST – YTD June 2024 – \$21,948 (2023 \$26,193)

PUBLIC COMMENTS – none.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – President Sam Dynda called an Executive Session at 7:12 PM to discuss a personnel matter. The Regular Meeting resumed at 7:26 PM.

IMMEDIATE ACTION

Caleb Benson made a motion to appoint Jeremy Morey as Assistant Secretary/Treasurer. Laura Fillhart seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Cory Thomas made a motion to advertise the Church Street property for bid with a \$5,000 minimum bid and a deadline of August 2, 2024. Laura Fillhart seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Katie Dynda made a motion to bid refuse collection in the Borough with the following parameters: must include zero sort curb side recycling with toter provided, will be exclusive contract, must provide dumpsters for community cleanup, deadline is August 2. Laura Fillhart seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

FUTURE ACTION

STMP decisions

Church Street Property

Refuse Collection

ADJOURNMENT – As there was no further business, Cory Thomas made a motion to adjourn. Katie Dynda seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Szuba

Borough Secretary