

Regular Monthly Meeting
Tuesday January 16, 2024
7:00 P.M.

Meeting called to order by President of Council Anthony Colecchi.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: DeVerse, _____; Kowalski, _____; Nabors, _____; Norelli, _____; Stecak, _____; Trunzo, _____; Colecchi, _____; Chazdine Harmon, Jr. Council, _____; Mayor DiMarco, _____

Public Comments (Agenda Items Only)

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes of December 19, 2023.

Motion to approve the Safety Meeting Minutes of December 21, 2023.

Motion to approve the minutes of the Reorganization meeting of January 2, 2024.

Committee Reports:

Delinquent Taxes/Sewage and Administration – Councilman Angelo Norelli

Total Collections from MBM Collections for December	\$3,753.30
Year to Date Collections from MBM Collections for delinquent Real Estate tax	\$205,186.85
Total Delinquent Sewage Collections for December	\$15,642.34
Year to date collections	\$300,013.30

Public Works - Street and Sewage Departments – Council Vice President Mark Stecak

Read Street Department report.

Motion to enter into an agreement with KLH for the Combined Sewer System, Long Term Control Plan, Comprehensive Manhole Physical Survey / Inspection Professional Engineering Services Proposal for a per diem not-to-exceed fee of \$82,000.

Crime Watch, Parks & Recreation, GDC – Councilman Dave Kowalski

The GDC is working on dates for the summer events, including Concerts on the Honor Roll, Community Day and the Annual Car Show. Once the dates are set, we will let everyone know.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the House Decorating contest for Christmas. The winners were; 1st place – 1030 Indiana, 2nd Place – 340 Erie, 3rd Place – 1037 Indiana. Congratulations.

Buildings – Councilwoman Amy Nabors

Two Contractors have looked at the damage to the Senior Center. We are waiting for quotes from both so the work can be done to the building.

Motion to accept the proposal from Schindler Maintenance for maintaining the elevator at 12 Monongahela Avenue. This is a continuation of the maintenance they provided to the previous owners of the building.

Communications and Building Inspector – Councilwoman Meghan DeVerse

I met with Mark Kapsha, who administers the Borough's website, to discuss and go over the best ways to make sure we communicate to our residents and keep everyone current on issues and events in the Borough.

The Savvy Citizen App is also used to inform the residents of events, meetings and other Borough updates. We currently have 1821 followers. If anyone is interested in more information on this App or help with downloading it, please contact me and I can help you with that.

Council plans to spend a great deal of effort concentrating on rentals and landlords following the policies in the Borough. This will start with follow-up on Occupancy Inspections for rentals and purchases of property.

Inspections and permits for the month of December are:
7 Temporary Certificates of Occupancy issued, 7 Certificates of Occupancy issued, 1 building permit issued and 2 building permit applications are pending.

Fire Department and Senior Citizen's Center – Councilman Paul Trunzo

Read Senior Center Report

Read Fire Department Report

Jr. Council, Chazdine Harmon

Police Committee, Safety Committee/Building Inspector – Council President Anthony Colecchi

The next Safety Meeting will be Thursday January 25th at 3:00.

Town Hall meeting with Allegheny County Parks Foundation at 6:00 on Monday January 29, 2023 at the Borough building.

The Police Report will be read by Mayor DiMarco.

Police Report - Mayor Keith DiMarco – Police Report is available upon request.

The Memorandum of Understanding between the Police Department and the Teamsters changing the hours worked to 12-hour shifts has been fully executed and filed.

Borough Manager's Report – Elaina Skiba

I have a meeting scheduled with the A.I.U on Thursday to discuss the current lease agreement with the Borough. I will forward the information to Council after the meeting.

Everyone who has expressed interest in attending the Newly Elected Officials Class sponsored by the Pa State Association of Boroughs has been registered.

The closing for the Tax Anticipation Note for the Borough was today. Everything was in order and all paperwork has been executed.

Solicitor's Report – Falco Muscante, Maiello, Brungo and Maiello, LLC

Motion to adopt the 2024 Salary Ordinance.

Motion to adopt Resolution #1 (1/16/24) changing the Municipal Service Fee for Trash Collection from \$81.00 per quarter to \$80.04 with an effective date of January 1, 2024.

Motion to adopt Resolution #2 (1/16/24) establishing the terms and conditions of the employment of the Borough Secretary.

Motion to approve the Agreement establishing the terms and conditions of the employment of the Borough Manager.

Written Reports of Borough Officials:

Tax Collector – Jennifer Bell – Report available upon request.

Treasurer's Report – Elaina Skiba.

Council has received the Treasurer Report and there are copies on the desk for the public.

Motion to approve the Monthly Financial Reports.

Motion to approve and pay General Fund bills for December in the amount of \$189,228.56

Motion to approve and pay Sewer Revenue Fund bills for December in the amount of \$49,050.00

New Business:

Motion to approve the addendum to the Towing agreement increasing the standard towing fee of \$125.00 to \$150.00.

Motion to advertise for the position of Assistant Borough Secretary.

Motion to Adjourn