

**FREEDOM BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 20, 2024
Re-scheduled from Nov. 13th 2024**

Freedom Borough Council met this evening at 6:00 PM for their regular monthly meeting in the Municipal Complex with the following members of Council present: John Kaercher; President, Kim Farrow, Kevin Horan, Jon Kaercher, Jeremy Valles, Bernie Rabik; Solicitor, Sharon Miller; Boro Secretary / Treasurer, Ron Miles; Road dept.

Absent: Vice-President; Sydney Eckman,

Pledge of allegiance was held.

Reminder present Council members and petitioners that all cell phones cannot be on during the meeting. They should be placed on vibrate and you will need to leave the building if you want to use your cell phone.

PETITIONERS: Mike Szatkiewicz 999 10th street, same stuff paint curb yellow in front of Boro building. Take care of wall along 8th Ave. KemRlawn chemicals run on the asphalt when cleaning out equipment.

Tom Wingrove 659 8th street, Mikayla Dixon 659 8th street, looking to purchase the easement next to my house. Per Bernie write a petition on what exactly you would like to do w the property and hand to our secretary.

Sonjia Hamilton & Alfred 1799 5th Ave. here to observe.

Lou Armstrong 1146 6th Ave. Thank a lot of people for buying flowers for Holden. And to express he is throwing in the hat for the mayor's position.

ENGINEERS REPORT: LVDGR project finished today. Executed the contract for completion.

John Balewski has left MS Consultants and Jessica Antell has replaced John at MS Consultants as out Freedom Borough Engineer.

STREET DEPT. REPORT: Review of the street dept. report. Nov. 27 will last day for leaf pick-up.

***Motion to approve undercoating of the 2 Borough dump trucks in the amount of \$1,350.00 with Liquid fuels monies that will come from our PLGIT Account was made by K. Farrow and seconded by J. Valles.**

All voted. Motin Carried.

***Motion to pay \$7,640.10 for a Bobcat sweeper bucket 72" with gutter brush out of Liquid Fuels monies in the PLGIT Account was made by K. Farrow and seconded by Jon Kaercher.**

All Voted. Motion Carried.

***Motion to approve the Street Department Report was made K. Climo and seconded by K. Farrow.**

All Voted. Motion Carried.

MAYOR REPORT / POLICE REPORT:

Review of the October report.

Mike Piroli was appointed as the new Chief of the BVRPD.

***Motion to accept the Police / Mayor report as presented was made by J. Valles and seconded by K. Horan.**

All voted. Motion Carried.

***Motion to ratify the phone vote held on 11/14/2024 for approval of the 2025 Budget for the Beaver Valley Regional Police Department was made by K. Farrow and seconded by Jon Kaercher.**

All Voted. Motion Carried.

***Motion to appoint Louis Armstrong to be Mayor of Freedom Borough due to the resignation of Mayor Padezanin was made by Kevin Horan and seconded by Jeremy Valles.**

All Voted. Motion Carried.

MINUTES:

***Motion to approve the Borough monthly meeting on 10/09/2024 and monthly workshop on 11/04/2024 as presented, was made by K. Farrow and seconded by Jon Kaercher.
All voted. Motion Carried.**

TREASUER'S REPORT:

***Motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Jon Kaercher and seconded by K. Horan.
All voted. Motion carried.**

BILLS:

***Motion to pay bills in the amount of \$30,905.36 and any bills deemed necessary before next month's meeting or as money becomes available was made by K. Climo and seconded by K. Farrow.
All voted. Motion Carried.**

SOLICITOR REPORT:

***Motion to accept the Solicitors report was made by K. Farrow and seconded by K. Horan.
All voted. Motion carried.**

CORRESPONDANCE:

COMMITTEES 2024:

- Personnel:
- Finance:
- Street Dept:
- Recreation:
- Utilities:
- Grants & Web site:
- Fire Dept. Committee:

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS: *Motion to appoint Jeremy Valles to the Beaver Valley Regional Police Department Commission was made by K. Farrow and seconded by K. Horan.

All Voted. Motion Carried.

***Motion to appoint K. Horan to the Beaver Valley Regional Police Department Commission as an Alternate position was made by K. Farrow and seconded by Jon Kaercher.**

All Voted. Motion Carried.

Literature on the table:

- Pennsylvania Boro News magazine October 2024

***Motion to adjourn meeting at 6:35 p.m. was made by K. Horan and seconded by K. Farrow.**

All voted. Motion carried.

APPROVED _____ ATTEST _____

MAYOR _____

Respectfully submitted by:

Sharon A. Miller; Freedom Boro Secretary / Treasurer