

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
**October 15, 2018**  
**7:00PM Council Meeting**

**AGENDA:**

Regular meeting of the Borough Council, Borough of Berwick, Pennsylvania was held Monday, October 15, 2018 at 7:00PM; in City Hall. Presiding at this meeting was President of Council Jay Jarrett, Council Members Jeri Alley(VP), Nelson Learn, Bob Lewis, Andrew Shecktor, Teresa Troiani, Pete Talanca and Mayor Tim Burke.

Also present were Chief of Police Ken Strish, Borough Treasurer Cassandra Mowery, Solicitor Attorney Frank Kepner, DPW Foreman Jack Kyttle, Administration Assistant Nancy Sborz and Press Enterprise reporter Susan Schwartz.

A moment of silence was observed and The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

**PUBLIC HEARING**  
**CITIZENS**  
**CORRESPONDENCE**  
**PERSONAL APPEALS:**

**Damien Scoblink:** Gave update on the Civil Service Commission. The Police force is 1 full time officer short. All candidates on the Certified Listing have passed all the testing. The Commission will start another round of testing closer to the next graduating class.

**Damien Scoblink also President of Berwick Pool Association:** Asking council to take into consideration going back to the original promise of \$10,000 funding as opposed to \$5,000.

**Mike Montecalvo:** Eaton Street flooding. Council said Quad 3 Engineering would come to the November 5, 2018 Work Shop to fill council in on the drainage problem.

**Fred Gause:** Still having problems with Wise Chips clean up in and around the loading dock area.

**PRESENTATION:**

NONE

**APPROVAL OF**  
**THE MINUTES**  
**OF THE**  
**PRECEDING**  
**MEETING:**

Motion by Councilwoman Troiani and seconded by Councilwoman Alley to approve the Council Minutes of September 17, 2018 and the Work Shop Minutes of October 1, 2018 and the Emergency Meeting Minutes of October 9, 2018. All ayes, with Councilman Shecktor abstaining from the October 9, 2018 meeting for non-attendance. Motion passes.

Council President Jarrett also noted that an Executive Session was held at each of the meetings listed to discuss Personnel and/or Legal matters.

**APPROVE  
PAYMENT  
OF BILLS:**

Motion by Councilwoman Troiani and seconded by Councilman Learn to pay the bill listing. All ayes.  
Motion passes.

911 RAPID RESPONSE	31,403.12	JACK KYTTLE	30.00
AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE ASSURANCE	955.94	JACK KYTTLE	14.49
AMERICAN PAPER & SUPPLY INC	265.00	JAMES DALBERTO	30.00
AMERICAN TEST CENTER	2,090.00	JERRY'S ENGINE REPAIR	196.70
ANNETTE BRENNAN	50.00	JIMMY PECA	550.00
ANNUZIATO DEGEORGE	50.00	JOHN DAVIS	900.00
ATLANTIC BROADBAND	127.12	JUDY SCHNERR	1,000.00
ATLANTIC BROADBAND	2.17	KEITH CRABBS	600.00
ATLANTIC TACTICAL	777.84	KEPNER, KEPNER & CORBA, P.C.	2,722.90
AUTOZONE	41.98	KEVIN MILLER	15.00
AVAYA, INC	30.62	KEYSTONE COMMUNICATIONS	75.00
BARBARA NAGEL	125.00	KNORR HAULING, INC.	6,187.50
BARRY'S SERVICE INC.	245.93	KRUNAL THAKORE	19.61
BARRY'S SERVICE INC.	77.76	LARRY C. FRACE INSPECTIONS, LLC	2,860.00
BEAVER VALLEY ENVIRENMENTAL LLC	350.00	LAUBACH'S AUTO REPAIR	214.64
BERWICK ELECTRICAL SUPPLY, INC.	281.78	LAUBACH'S AUTO REPAIR	35.00
BERWICK ELECTRICAL SUPPLY, INC.	176.15	LAUBACH'S AUTO REPAIR	138.12
BERWICK ELECTRICAL SUPPLY, INC.	197.91	LAVERY LAW	2,500.00
BODNAR SALES & SERVICE	241.41	MAIAH FARLEY	25.00
BODNAR SALES & SERVICE	36.50	MARINOS, MCDONALD & KNECHT, LLP	204.00
BOROUGH OF BERWICK MUNICIPAL PEN	801.92	MARK TRAPANE	150.00
BOROUGH OF BERWICK MUNICIPAL PEN	798.84	MATTHEWS SPRING WATER	74.75
BOROUGH OF BERWICK PAYROLL ACCOUNT	58,966.23	MATTHEWS SPRING WATER	11.50
BOROUGH OF BERWICK PAYROLL ACCOUNT	37,934.03	MEMORY LANE	750.00
BOROUGH OF BERWICK PAYROLL ACCOUNT	2,232.12	METROPOLITAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS	899.56
BOROUGH OF BERWICK PAYROLL ACCOUNT	37,575.57	MGL	305.00
BOROUGH OF BERWICK PAYROLL ACCOUNT	37,680.00	MICHAEL MONICO	563.52
BOROUGH OF BERWICK PAYROLL ACCOUNT	8.97	MICHAEL MONICO	1,186.00
BOROUGH OF BERWICK PAYROLL ACCOUNT	14.23	MID PENN GARDEN TRACTOR PULLERS	350.00
BOROUGH OF BERWICK PAYROLL ACCOUNT	8.97	MIDLAND ASPHALT MATERIALS INC.	721.28
BOROUGH OF BERWICK PAYROLL ACCOUNT	166.67	NAPA AUTOPARTS BERWICK	267.35
BOROUGH OF BERWICK PAYROLL ACCOUNT	14.23	NAPA AUTOPARTS BERWICK	93.59
BOROUGH OF BERWICK POLICE PENSION	1,210.03	NAPA AUTOPARTS BERWICK	488.36
BOROUGH OF BERWICK POLICE PENSION	799.92	NEWPORT AGGREGATE	239.43
BORO OF BWK POLICE PENSION TRUST FD	5,961.86	NICK MISCHISSIN	500.00
BRADCO SUPPLY CO, INC.	148.00	NMS	587.00
BRADCO SUPPLY CO, INC.	1,787.50	P A W C	49.51
BRANDON SHULTZ	75.00	P A W C	39.27

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BRUCE MCCORMICK	650.00	P A W C	15.38
C D B P & M	1,469.00	P A W C	2,640.60
CAMPBELL PRINTING CO.	18.00	PA DEPT OF LABOR & INDUSTRY-E	144.00
CAMPBELL SUPPLY CO., LLC	1,384.93	PANORAMA MAGAZINE	200.00
CAMPBELL SUPPLY CO., LLC	2,626.39	PENNSYLVANIA CHIEFS OF POLICE ASSOc	1,681.99
CAMPBELL SUPPLY CO., LLC	733.10	PENNSYLVANIA ONE CALL SYSTEM	83.95
CAMPBELL SUPPLY CO., LLC	13,637.08	PENNSYLVANIA ONE CALL SYSTEM	36.89
CENTRAL PA TEAMSTERS HEALTH & WELF	46,961.34	PETERS CONSULTANTS, INC.	3,700.50
CENTRAL PA TEAMSTERS HEALTH & WELF.	2,218.16	PETERS CONSULTANTS, INC.	13,497.27
CH WALTZ SONS, INC	30.99	PITNEY BOWES GLOBAL FINANCIAL	184.65
CH WALTZ SONS, INC	45.10	PITNEY BOWES PURCHASE POWER	402.50
CLEVELAND BROTHERS EQUIPMENT	133.82	PPL	991.33
CM HART CONSTRUCTION LLC	1,975.00	PPL	273.43
COLE'S HARDWARE	195.18	PPL	44.49
COLE'S HARDWARE	20.97	PPL	12,477.19
COLUMBIA EXCAVATING, LLC	270.00	PRESS-ENTERPRISE, INC.	1,133.70
COMPRESSED AIR SYSTEMS, INC.	130.00	PSAB	130.00
COMPUTER SOFTWARE, INC.	8,109.00	RANGER HOSE CO	383.33
CONSTELLATION NEWENERGY INC.	0.05	RANGER HOSE CO	383.33
CONSTELLATION NEWENERGY INC.	46.27	RANGER HOSE CO	766.66
CONSTELLATION NEWENERGY INC.	351.86	RELIANCE FIRE CO	383.33
CONSTELLATION NEWENERGY INC.	25.81	RELIANCE FIRE CO	383.33
CONSTELLATION NEWENERGY INC.	148.79	RELIANCE FIRE CO	766.66
CONSTELLATION NEWENERGY INC.	152.71	RIVERVIEW BLOCK	515.60
CUSTOM ADVERTISING	90.90	ROBERT C. YOUNG, INC.	55,394.71
DAN HESS	400.00	ROBERT C. YOUNG, INC.	3,683.78
DASH MEDICAL GLOVES	141.80	ROBERT MAIER	50.00
DON E. BOWER, INC.	1,265.88	ROGERS UNIFORMS	27.00
DOUGLAS CARRATHERS	113.21	ROSE OSTROWSKI	25.00
DOUGLAS STAFFORD	275.00	SCHUYLKILL PLUS!	210.00
EAGLES FIRE COMPANY	383.33	SCOTT SIENKIEWICZ	234.99
EAGLES FIRE COMPANY	383.33	SEEWALD LABORATORIES, INC.	32.00
EAGLES FIRE COMPANY	766.66	SHERWIN-WILLIAMS	107.08
ERIK HELBING	50.00	SMITH FARMS	90.00
EUGENE GOLLA	50.00	STAPLES CREDIT PLAN	474.24
FASTENAL COMPANY	74.95	STAPLES CREDIT PLAN	133.54
FIRST COLUMBIA BANK & TRUST CO.	1,955.70	STATE WORKMEN'S INSURANCE FUND	2,364.00
FIRST COLUMBIA BANK & TRUST CO.	1,412.58	STEVE SHANNON TIRE CO	644.01
FIRST COLUMBIA BANK & TRUST CO.	3,575.99	STEVE SHANNON TIRE CO	292.59
FORT DEARBORN LIFE INS.	1,130.74	STEVE SHANNON TIRE CO	74.94
FORT DEARBORN LIFE INS.	1,130.74	SUBURBAN FENCE CO.	12.45
FORT DEARBORN LIFE INS.	1,135.00	SUNBURY MOTORS	24,733.00
FROMM ELECTRIC SUPPLY	763.76	SUPERIOR PLUS ENERGY SERVICES	582.44
FROMM ELECTRIC SUPPLY	340.00	SUPERIOR PLUS ENERGY SERVICES	388.61
FROMM ELECTRIC SUPPLY	145.95	SUPERIOR PLUS ENERGY SERVICES	477.28

FROMM ELECTRIC SUPPLY	692.47	SUPERIOR PLUS ENERGY SERVICES	274.43
FSSOLUTIONS	144.20	SUPERIOR PLUS ENERGY SERVICES	356.23
GEISINGER MEDICAL CENTER	130.00	SUPERIOR PLUS ENERGY SERVICES	137.06
GOLDEN EQUIPMENT CO, INC	444.37	SUPERIOR PLUS ENERGY SERVICES	591.63
GREGORY MARTIN	801.36	SUSQUEHANNA FIRE EQUIPMENT CO	70.85
HANSON AGGREGATES INC	385.90	TEAMSTERS	1,417.00
HELENA CHEMICAL CO	153.00	TEAMSTERS,	1,463.00
HELLER'S GAS INC.	85.80	THE FREELAND PROGRESS	300.00
HOEGAN & ASSOCIATES	13,415.83	THOMAS J. LAZICKI, SR.	800.00
HOEGAN & ASSOCIATES	966.20	TRAFFIC PARTS	321.53
HOEGAN & ASSOCIATES	18,936.97	TRI-COUNTY HARDWARE	29.97
HOEGAN & ASSOCIATES	5,391.73	TRI-COUNTY HARDWARE	7.44
HOEGAN & ASSOCIATES	3,325.25	TRI-COUNTY-LUMBER DIVISION	131.30
HOEGAN & ASSOCIATES	4,070.68	TSSI	1,148.82
HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICES	7.95	UGI PENN NATURAL GAS	32.91
ICMA RETIREMENT TRUST 457-304347	2,079.23	US SUPPLY COMPANY	599.07
ICMA RETIREMENT TRUST 457-304347	245.00	VERIZON WIRELESS	372.15
ICMA RETIREMENT TRUST 457-304347	1,987.30	WASHINGTON NATIONAL INS CO	243.60
ICMA RETIREMENT TRUST 457-304347	245.00	WEST BERWICK FIRE CO	383.33
ICMA RETIREMENT TRUST 457-304347	2,104.90	WEST BERWICK FIRE CO	383.33
ICMA RETIREMENT TRUST 457-304347	245.00	WEST BERWICK FIRE CO	766.66
ICMA RETIREMENT TRUST 457-304347	1,978.41	WEX BANK	2,576.70
ICMA RETIREMENT TRUST 457-304347	245.00	WEX BANK	42.77
JACK KYTTLE	30.00		

**REPORTS  
OF COMMITTEES:**

MAYOR: Mayor Tim Burke: Riverfest came & went and was the best one ever.  
Thanks to all who worked to make it a success.

SOLICITOR: Attorney Frank Kepner: Has met with Dennis Peters a couple of  
times about the UGI and the Abbonizio litigation  
and he is preparing reports.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: Andy Shecktor said tomorrow night at 6pm is the  
reactor drill. Councilwoman Troiani will represent  
Council.

SAFETY: Bob Lewis: First meeting since the building collapse and Codes did  
a great job. Codes was there the whole time. A  
letter has gone out to the owner of the Gepetto's  
building with a deadline of November 23<sup>rd</sup>. Councilman  
Shecktor brought up that people are having a hard time  
coming from Nescopeck across the bridge. Jack Kyttle  
said Penn DOT has been in to look at it and their  
suggestion is to have the business owner to put up a  
chain link fence with a covering to make a tunnel for

pedestrians. But Jack feels that our Engineer should look at it to decide if that is the best course.

STREETS, PARKS, & BUILDINGS: Jack Kytte: Susquehanna & Oak Streets had an embankment problem. Our guys got big R7 rocks and an excavator in and pushed rocks into bank then took concrete and mortared it in. All for about \$4,000 as opposed to \$150,000. This should last a very long time.  
SEE REPORT

**Councilman Shektor** brought up the letter with regard to National Businesswomen's week. Said it was a good cause and asked what Council wanted to do. It was decided that the Mayor would do a Mayor's Proclamation and read it at next month's Council Meeting.

POLICE: Chief Ken Strish: See report & statics. Chief would like added to the agenda to approve for hire to Full Time Officers Torres and Moyer.

BAJSA REPORT: See report.

**BUSINESS**  
**NOT READY**  
**FOR ACTION: NONE**

**OLD**  
**BUSINESS: NONE**

**APPROVAL OF**  
**ORDINANCES**  
**AND RESOLUTIONS: NONE**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Approved DEMO Proposal for Peters Consulting** Councilman Lewis made a motion to accept the demolition proposal in the amount of \$9,700.00 from Peters Consultants, seconded by Councilman Talanca. All ayes, motion passes.

**Approved the 2018 CDBG Agreement** Councilman Shektor made a motion to approve the 2018 CDBG Agreement, seconded by Councilwoman Troiani. All ayes, motion passes.

**Approved the  
Invoice payments  
To Peters  
Consulting**

Councilman Learn made a motion to approve invoice payments to Peters Consulting in the amount of \$13,497.27 to be paid for from CBDG funds for the ADA curbs at Pine & Chestnut Streets, seconded by Councilwoman Troiani. All ayes, motion passes.

Opened Recycling bids and read into record. First bid opened was from Team Green of Berwick at \$207,000 (\$3.75 per household). Second bid from Folks Disposal of Bloomsburg at \$552,000 (\$10.00 per household).

**Recycling  
Bid Awarded  
To Team Green**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Alley to award Recycling to Team Green at \$207,000., seconded by Councilwoman Troiani. All ayes, motion passes.

**Appointed  
Scott Bower  
the Code  
Appeal Board**

A motion was made by councilman Shecktor to appoint the only applicant Scott Bower to the Code Appeal to Board, this was seconded by Councilman Learn. All ayes, motion passes.

**Appointed  
Scott Bower  
To the Landlord  
Ordinance Appeal  
Board**

A motion was made by Councilman Shecktor to appoint the only applicant Scott Bower to the Landlord Ordinance Appeals Board, this was seconded by Councilman Talanca. All ayes, motion passes.

**TABLED payment  
For Defenders  
Fire Hall  
Insurance**

A motion was made by Councilman Talanca to table a vote to pay insurance on the Defender Fire Hall due to a lack of an invoice, this was seconded by Councilman Lewis. All ayes, motion passes. Council Agreed that the insurance will have to be paid but not without an invoice of cost.

**Agreed to  
Advertise for  
Sealed bids on  
2 remaining  
Crown Victoria cars**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Troiani to advertise for sealed bids on the 2 remaining Crown Victoria Police cars, this was seconded by Council Learn. All ayes, motion passes.

**ADDED ITEMS**

**Approved to  
hire as a full  
time officer,  
Stephan Torres**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Troiani to hire Stephan Torres as a full-time police officer, this was seconded by Councilwoman Alley. All ayes. Motion passes.

**Approved to  
hire as a full**

A motion was made by councilwoman Troiani to hire Jeremy Moyer as a full-time police officer, this

**time officer,** was seconded by Councilwoman Alley. All ayes, motion  
**Jeremy Moyer** passes.

**Council voted for** A motion was made by Councilwoman Troiani to have  
**The Civil Service** the Civil Service Commission start the hiring process,  
**Commission to start** this was seconded by councilwoman Alley. All ayes.  
**the hiring process** Motion passes.

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Talanca, this was second by Councilwoman Troiani. All ayes. Meeting adjourned.

Council moved to an executive session at 7:55PM to discuss litigation and/or personnel issues. The session ended at 8:35PM. They did not return to session.