

MINUTES

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
August 2, 2021
7:00PM Council Meeting**

THE BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL SHALL BE CONDUCTED IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

1. Call to Order by presiding officer
Moment of silence, Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll Call (if quorum is not present, the meeting shall thereupon be Adjourned to a specific date by the majority vote of those present)
3. Review and approval of agenda.
4. Citizen Correspondence/Personal Appeals - Agenda Items Only
5. Business Not Ready for Action or No Action Needed
6. Old Business
7. Introduction of Ordinances and Resolutions
8. New Business
9. Added Items
10. Citizen Correspondence/Personal Appeals - Non-Agenda Items Only
11. Adjournment

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER BY PRESIDING OFFICER: Council President Scott Bower

ITEM 2. ROLL CALL (Attendance)

<u>COUNCIL MEMBERS</u> <u>& MAYOR</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
BOWER	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>			
TROIANI	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>	Chief of Police	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
ALLEY	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	Solicitor	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
LEWIS	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	Engineer	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
JARRETT	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	DPW Foreman	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
LEARN	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	Reporter(s)	Susan Schwartz (PE)	
TALANCA	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	Fire Chief	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
MAYOR BURKE	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>			
DAMIEN SCOBLINK, MANAGER	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>			

ITEM 3. REVIEW & APPROVE CURRENT AGENDA:

Discussion - None

Motion: Ms. Alley Second: Mr. Lewis

All in favor, agenda approved.

ITEM 4. CITIZENS CORRESPONDENCE / PERSONAL APPEALS - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

None

ITEM 5. BUSINESS NOT READY FOR ACTION:

1. 100 block East Third Street paving

Mr. Kyttle reviewed options for paving. Borough Manager reviewed possible funding strategies, depending on which option was selected. Council ultimately noted a preference for a complete repair, to be put into 2022 budget.

2. Around the Table

- Mr. Kyttle - Street sweeper is being repaired, with the new one due to arrive within a week.
- Mr. Jarrett - Kids Night is this Thursday, and Celebrate Berwick is this Saturday.
- Mayor Burke - Charity softball tournament is Saturday.
- Chief Strish - Civil Service Commission has received results of written exam, will be meeting to continue hiring process.
- Mr. Learn - BAJSA hired a new employee.
- Ms. Alley - Codes Committee met earlier. Will be asking Quad 3 for a fee schedule for costs as they pertain to permits. Setting up a meeting with solicitor and Chief Strish to review policies regarding utilities at condemned structures, and removing people from the same. Junk vehicles continue to be an issue. Landlord issues are ongoing.
- Fire Chief - Classes for new firefighters starting today, nine signed up. Truck is out of service for repair on tank.

ITEM 6. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Consider and take action to proceed with signage regulating truck traffic in South Berwick as follows: None

Discussion: Being worked on by BIDA. No further action needed. Item will be removed from future agendas.

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Approved, Denied, Tabled

ITEM 7. APPROVAL OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

1. Resolution 2021-04 - Fair Housing

Discussion: This is a CDBG requirement.

Motion: Mr. Jarrett Second: Mr. Learn Approved,
Denied, Tabled

All in favor, resolution approved.

ITEM 8. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider and take action to approve CDBG FFY 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan.

DISCUSSION: None

Motion: Mr. Lewis Second: Mr. Talanca Approved, Denied,
 Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

2. Consider and take action to approve CDBG FFY 2021 Annual Action Plan.

DISCUSSION: None

Motion: Ms. Alley Second: Mr. Learn Approved, Denied,
Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

3. Consider and take action to define allocating CLFRF funds to outside agencies as being contingent upon submission of all requested documentation by those agencies, including but not limited to a signed agreement and any requested financial documentation.

Discussion: Borough Manager explained that this was establishing that Council voting to allocate funds to an outside agency did not mean that a check would automatically be written, but that a process would be developed.

Motion: Mr. Jarrett Second: Mr. Lewis Approved,
Denied, Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

- 4. Consider and take action to approve payment of Invoice #21-46970 in the amount of \$277,515.00 to Golden Equipment Co, Inc., for the purchase of street sweeper, to be paid utilizing CLFRF funds.

Discussion: None

Motion: Ms. Alley Second: Mr. Talanca Approved, Denied, Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

- 5. Consider and take action to allocate up to \$100,000 of CLFRF funds to the Berwick Theater and Center for Community Arts for re-pointing and brick work on the west, east and north facades, with actual allocation total to reflect true cost, not to exceed approved amount.

Discussion: None

Motion: Mr. Learn Second: Mr. Jarrett Approved, Denied, Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

- 6. Consider and take action to allocate up to \$150,000 of CLFRF funds to the Berwick Public Library for replacement of HVAC system, with final allocation to be dependent upon successful application for additional outside funds.

Discussion: None

Motion: Ms. Alley Second: Mr. Lewis Approved, Denied, Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

- 7. Consider and take action to allocate up to \$500,000 of CLFRF funds to the Berwick YMCA for proposed facility improvements, with final allocation to match funding provided by Columbia County, not to exceed approved amount.

Discussion: None

Motion: Mr. Lewis Second: Mr. Jarrett Approved, Denied, Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

8. Consider and take action to allocate up to \$55,000 of CLFRF funds to Beyond Violence, Inc., for HVAC and roof repairs, and installation of a new hot water heater, with final allocation to reflect true cost of this work, not to exceed approved amount.

Discussion: None

Motion: Ms. Alley Second: Mr. Talanca Approved, Denied, Tabled

Voting in favor: Mr. Bower, Mr. Talanca, Ms. Alley, Mr. Learn, Mr. Lewis.

Voting opposed: None

Abstaining: Mr. Jarrett, due to conflict of interest

9. Consider and take action to allocate \$250,000 of CLFRF funds to the Berwick Area Swimming Pool, Inc., for installation of a splash pad, with receipt of this allocation being contingent upon the incorporation securing total required funding for this project.

Discussion: None

Motion: Mr. Learn Second: Mr. Talanca Approved, Denied, Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

10. Consider and take action to allocate up to \$33,000 of CLFRF funds to the Stuart Tank Memorial Association for the replacement of lost fundraising revenues, with final allocation to be dependent upon successful application for additional outside funds.

DISCUSSION: None

Motion: Mr. Jarrett Second: Mr. Talanca Approved, Denied, Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

11. Consider and take action to allocate up to \$20,000 of CLFRF funds to development and implementation of a work transportation program, with final allocation to be contingent upon approval of final plan by this Council.

DISCUSSION: None

Motion: Mr. Jarrett Second: Mr. Learn Approved, Denied,
 Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

12. Consider and take action to allocate \$37,500 of CLFRF funds to the Berwick Area United Way for the implementation of various educational programs within the Berwick Area School District.

DISCUSSION: None

Motion: Ms. Alley Second: Mr. Lewis Approved, Denied,
Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

13. Consider and take action to authorize Borough Manager to enter into agreement for PublicWorks1, at a one-time cost of \$11,900, to be paid utilizing CLFRF funds.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Kyttle explained program and how it would be used by the Borough.

Motion: Mr. Jarrett Second: Ms. Alley Approved, Denied,
 Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

14. Consider and take action to approve payment of Invoice #10508199845 in the amount of \$18,149.18 to Dell, for the purchase of police mobile computer equipment, to be paid utilizing CLFRF funds.

DISCUSSION: None

Motion: Mr. Talanca Second: Mr. Learn Approved, Denied,
 Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

15. Consider and take action to authorize Berwick Borough solicitor Frank Kepner to take any and all action to investigate and take legal action to recover the money paid to N. Abbonizio Contractors, Inc. by the Borough of Berwick on the Berwick sewer project.

DISCUSSION: None

Motion: Mr. Talanca Second: Ms. Alley Approved, Denied,
 Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

ITEM 9. ADDED ITEMS

None

ITEM 10. CITIZENS CORRESPONDENCE / PERSONAL APPEALS - NON-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

- Mark Spaid - Manhole covers on Routes 11 & 93 are terrible. Mr. Learn agrees to take concern to BAJSA. Mr. Spaid also noted that roosters are leading to poor quality of life for those living near them.

ITEM 11. ADJOURNMENT: Motion: Mr. Learn Second: Mr. Talanca

Meeting adjourned.