

MINUTES

**COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
November 2, 2020
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
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. Adjournment

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER BY PRESIDING OFFICER: Council President Robert Lewis

ITEM 2. ROLL CALL (Attendance)

<u>COUNCIL MEMBERS & MAYOR</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
LEWIS	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>			
TROIANI	<u>X(Zoom)</u>	<u> </u>	Chief of Police	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
ALLEY	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	Solicitor	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
BOWER	<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)	<u>Susan Schwartz - PE</u>	<u> </u>
TALANCA	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>			
MAYOR BURKE	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>			
DAMIEN SCOBLINK, MANAGER	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>			

ITEM 3. REVIEW & APPROVE CURRENT AGENDA:

Discussion - None

Motion: Mr. Jarrett Second: Mr. Bower

ITEM 4. PUBLIC HEARING / CITIZENS CORRESPONDENCE / PERSONAL APPEALS: None

ITEM 5. BUSINESS NOT READY FOR ACTION:

1. Email list update - Members of Council indicated whether or not they required a Borough email address

2. Fire Police at Events - Discussed the dwindling numbers of fire police, and the safety and financial impacts of this. After the holidays, Borough Manager will send a letter to groups, asking them to meet and discuss.

3. Around the table
 - Fire Chief - Reviewed maintenance needs of various pieces of fire equipment
 - DPW Foreman - Street sweeping season is over, leaf season has started. Completed brush pickup last week.
 - Chief of Police - Determined that he just needs to submit a request for continuance for the new officers grant, which he will do. Hopes to start the hiring process once contract negotiations are finalized.

ITEM 6. OLD BUSINESS: None

ITEM 7. APPROVAL OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

1. Ordinance 2020-03 - Amending One-Way Streets

Discussion: Council was informed that this is simply finalizing the process started a few meetings ago for the unnamed alley near Wise.

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

All in favor, Ordinance 2020-03 adopted.

ITEM 8. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider and take action to proceed with events on state-owned roads as follows: include state-mandated language in letters to PennDOT regarding indemnification of the Commonwealth for use of state-owned roads, effective for all events otherwise approved by Council.

Discussion: Council recognizes that it is taking on some level of risk for any event, and views these events as important services to the citizens of Berwick.

Motion: Mr. Learn Second: Ms. Troiani X Approved,
Denied, Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

2. Consider and take action to move forward in response to delay in production of recycling truck as follows: Put out for bid for recycling truck rental, while also exploring used purchase options.

Discussion: Production of the Borough's recycling truck has been delayed, at least partially due to COVID pandemic. This will require a substitute truck for the first couple months of the year.

Motion: Mr. Jarrett Second: Mr. Bower X Approved,
Denied, Tabled

All in favor, motion approved.

3. Consider and take action to accept winning bid on Municibid for 1997 Caterpillar 924F Wheel Loader from Anthony Piazza in the amount of \$27,200.

Discussion: None

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

All in favor, motion approved.

4. Consider and take action to accept winning bid on Municibid for 1996 GMC C6500 Dump Truck from Daniel Peters in the amount of \$6,700.

Discussion: None

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

All in favor, motion approved.

5. Consider and take action to schedule budget workshops as follows:

- 6:00 p.m., Monday, November 16
- 6:00 p.m., Monday, December 7

Discussion: None

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

ITEM 9. ADDED ITEMS

None

ITEM 10. ADJOURNMENT: Motion: Ms. Alley Second: Mr. Jarrett

Meeting adjourned.