

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
OF
January 29, 2023

The Rockledge Borough Council met at 7:30 p.m. on January 29, 2023, at the Rockledge Borough Hall. After the prayer and Pledge of Allegiance, the roll was called as follows:

In Attendance: Mr. Enderle, Mr. Briggman, Mr. Menniti, Mr. Boyle, Mr. Sheppard, Mr. Clarke, Mr. Creedon and Mayor Caffrey.

Adoption of the Agenda: All were in favor.

Acceptance of the Minutes: Motion to adopt the minutes from the December 18th Council Meeting and the January 2, 2024 Re-organization meeting. All were in favor.

Mr. Enderle advised that Borough Council met prior to tonight's meeting in an executive session to discuss a few Human Resource items.

Law and Planning: Mr. Briggman made a motion to accept the monthly building inspector's report. All were in favor.

Mr. Briggman advised of a Zoning Hearing that has been scheduled for February 1 at 7:00 pm to consider an application from 7 Huntingdon Pike. Application seeks to change the use of the property from a bar/tavern to a restaurant. Applicant seeks a variance from Section 27-1302 (Required off-street parking) to permit a restaurant use on the first floor without the required off-street parking of approximately 36+/- spaces.

Mr. Briggman advised that he Law and Planning Committee will be working on a 5 to 10 year plan and will be meeting in the future – meetings will be advertised.

Mr. Briggman wanted a Planning Commission meeting update.

Finance: Mr. Enderle made a motion to accept the monthly bills, Tax Collectors and previous months check detail report. All were in favor.

Monthly Bills – December 2023 (end of year)

General Fund	– \$	12,962.32
Highway Aid	– \$	361.52
Capital Reserve	– \$	0
Police Pension Fund	- \$	0

Monthly Bills – January 2024

General Fund	– \$	111,506.16
Highway Aid	– \$	3,899.39
Capital Reserve	– \$	4,130.30
Police Pension Fund	- \$	0

Check Detail – December 2023

General Fund	- \$	7,664.03
Highway Aid	- \$	0
Capital Reserve	- \$	108.35
Police Pension Fund	- \$	9,211.57

Mr. Enderle made a motion to transfer \$200,000 from the Fund Account to General Fund. All were in favor.

Mr. Wartman gave the Treasurer's report:

<u>General Fund:</u>	Beginning Balance	\$	299,617.21
	Receipts	\$	46,036.89
	Disbursements	\$	180,362.05
	Ending Balance	\$	165,327.55
<u>Highway Aid:</u>	Beginning Balance	\$	40,371.39
	Receipts	\$	11.30
	Disbursements	\$	7,932.89
	Ending Balance	\$	32,449.80
<u>Capital Reserve:</u>	Beginning Balance	\$	114,397.58
	Receipts	\$	19.28
	Disbursements	\$	8,765.35
	Ending Balance	\$	105,651.51
<u>Police Pension MMO:</u>	Beginning Balance	\$	175,307.05
	Deposits/Interest	\$	29.78
	Disbursements	\$	0
	Ending Balance	\$	175,336.83
<u>Fund Account:</u>	Beginning Balance	\$	454810.38
	Receipts/Interest	\$	77.26
	Disbursements	\$	0
	Ending Balance	\$	454,887.64
<u>ARPA Account:</u>	Beginning Balance	\$	262,477.41
	Receipts/Interest	\$	44.59
	Disbursements	\$	0
	Ending Balance	\$	262,522.00

Public Service: Mr. Creedon advised of the following events:

Free shredding events will be held from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm at the Abington Public Works Highway Yard located at 2201 Florey Lane, Abington, PA 19001 on Saturday, April 27, 2024 and Saturday, October 19, 2024.

“Anything with a Plug” electronics recycling collection events will be held from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm at the Abington Public Works Highway yard located at 2201 Florey Lane Abington, PA 190001 on: Saturday, February 24, 2024 and Saturday, November 16, 2024. Items that have a cost with recycling

them include a TV or computer monitor. Prices range from \$30 - \$100 depending on size and materials. Accepted forms of payment are check, credit card and cash.

Public Safety: Mr. Boyle made a motion to accept the Police and Fire Company reports. All were in favor.

Public Works/Property: Mr. Sheppard made a motion to accept the Streets Opening Report and the Streets Department Monthly Report. All were in favor.

Mr. Hess advised that his guys did a great job during the recent snow storms. We have replenished our salt and are ready for the next one.

Mr. Sheppard brought up the need for a pick-up truck for public works. In case one of the big trucks go down we do not have a back-up. Council agreed that this is a good idea. Mr. Sheppard will look for grants to purchase one.

Recreation: Mr. Menniti announced that the 2024 Easter Egg Hunt will be on Saturday, March 23, 10:00 at Cegiolkowski Playground with a rain date of Sunday, March 24, at 1:00 pm.

Fourth of July updates:

Human Resources: Mr. Clarke made a motion to appoint Tyler Dermer as the Assistant Fire Chief. All were in favor. Mr. Dermer was sworn in.

Manager's Report: Mr. Poster gave his Manager's Report:

- Thursday, January 11th, he met with a representative with MRC Recreation about the Borough implementing an ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) playground at the Jarrett Park location. It would include a new pavilion, bathrooms, storage and kitchenette facility, along with ADA approved bedding and equipment.
- Tuesday, January 16th, he met with the Planning Commission and discussed the Jarrett Park location upgrades, along with some discussion of Mill Park.
- Recently we have been working with tree removal companies to assist the Borough with known tree issues in Rockledge Park and along the Loney Trail. The items being removed are to ensure the safety of the park and trail visitors. While we were cutting down some trees, most of the work being done is removing dead and hanging branches. This spring we will look for the opportunity to replace some of those trees that were taken down.
- He has requested that our engineer, Shoemaker Associates, update pricing to use with a more accurate total cost estimate for the MS4 filter project. The state has asked for this and upon receipt from Shoemaker, he will re-submit.
- He would like to thank the Public Works staff for their hard work during the two snow events we had a couple of weeks ago and last week.

Upcoming Meetings:

- Wednesday, February 7th, he will be meeting with Hatboro Borough, Jenkintown Borough and Bryn Athyn Borough to discuss the April Montgomery County Borough's Association dinner that we have been chosen to host. The dinner is scheduled for April 25th, so please think about attending to represent our Borough.
- He will be attending the February Montgomery County Borough's Association dinner at the William Penn Inn. Along with representing the Borough, he will be hearing two speakers on Government Police and Legislative Affairs.

Public Comment:

Respectfully submitted,
Joyce Hines
Borough Clerk