



**REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
BRYN ATHYN BOROUGH COUNCIL**

COUNCIL CHAMBER
February 7, 2022

The meeting was called to order by President Jeffrey Elsing at 7:00p.m. The following were present:

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Glenn Gurney
Ric Asplundh
Jeffrey Elsing
Duane D. Hyatt

Brent McCurdy
Mark Pennink
Aurelle Genzlinger

ALSO: Victoria S. Trost, Mayor Ken Schauder, Solicitor R. Rex Herder, Nick Rose, Russell Cooper, Reid Heinrichs.

MINUTES

On a motion by Glenn Gurney, seconded by Brent McCurdy, Council voted unanimous approval of the January minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Vikki Trost reported General Fund Revenue for January was \$45,627.68. General Fund Expenses were \$153,345.45. Net Income was -\$107,745.77.

Sewer Fund Revenue for January was \$0.00. Sewer Fund Expenses were \$25,071.282 Net Income was -\$18,344.77.

Today PLGIT paid .01%. PLGIT I-Class paid .04%.

Included in the General Fund cash receipts were:

\$	942.67	in Local Services Tax receipts
\$	7,743.99	in Earned Income Tax receipts
\$	1,493.49	in Fines
\$	60.00	in Police Report receipts
\$	1,666.50	in Building Permit receipts
\$	2,000.00	in Grading Permit receipts
\$	1,225.00	in Zoning Permit receipts
\$	25,400.00	in ANC Contributions
\$	5,000.00	in Other Contributions
\$	250.00	in Contributions to the Police Department
\$	70.00	in Fireworks Contributions

TAX COLLECTOR - None

BILLS

GENERAL FUND BILLS

Academy of the New Church	\$1,959.56
Aqua PA – Park Fountain	19.88
Aqua PA – Fire Hydrants	2,715.30
Auto Spa Express	12.00
Bradley E Cranch, Tax Collector	569.54
Bryn Athyn Fire Company	1,078.91
Building Inspection Underwriters Inc	364.00
Calebe Nobre	397.50
Chuck’s Service Center Inc	442.79
Courier Times Inc	719.52
Davidheiser’s Inc	217.00
DeLage Landen	249.00
DeLage Landen	175.00
Earthborne Trucks & Equipment	17.06
Eastburn & Gray PC	3,825.00
Franklin-Templeton Investments	4,124.00
Green Tec Restoration	2,241.37
Hardwick Benfer LLC	1,240.00
Independence Blue Cross	6,502.20
Kenneth J Schauder Incorporated	1,110.00
Kevin Green	112.00
Lower Moreland Township	14,171.99
McDonald Uniform Company	190.47
Montgomery County SWAT – East Region	3,500.00
PA Association of Municipal Administrators	150.00

Peco Energy Co – Street Lights	\$981.02
Peco Energy Co – Traffic Signals	98.22
Petty Cash – Steve Gray	282.20
Petty Cash – Victoria Trost	41.53
Phoenix Distributors	1,950.00
Staples	102.21
TGI Office Automation	278.80
The Miller Financial Group	632.00
The Vanguard Group	1,351.72
US Postal Service	332.00
USA Payroll	571.45
Verizon Wireless	157.74
Victoria Trost	50.00
Wawa – Wright Express	<u>1,326.20</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$54,259.18</u>

SEWER FUND BILLS

Academy of the New Church	\$941.68
AquaPA	258.40
Deckman Motor & Pump Inc	5,570.00
Home Depot	109.77
Independence Blue Cross	605.02
Ken’s Distributing Company	2,500.00
Kenneth J Schauder Incorporated	135.00
Lower Moreland Township	338.81
MJ Reider Associates Inc	506.00
Mac Medical Gases Inc	23.50
McGovern Environmental LLC	450.00
Peco Energy – Feters Mill Pump Station	325.91
SCP Distributors LLC	4,905.20
USA Payroll	126.32
Verizon – Feters Mill Pump Station	41.64
Verizon – Sycamore Pump Station	37.91
Verizon Internet	158.00
Verizon Wireless	42.20
Wawa – Wright Express	<u>214.57</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$17,289.93</u>

BMO MASTERCARD**General Fund**

Adobe AcroPro	\$14.99
Amazon.com	23.83
Yearli.com	49.41
Microsoft Store	<u>105.99</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$194.22</u>

Sewer Fund

Hahn Equipment Company	\$638.73
Tractor Supply Co	192.78
USPS	28.00
U Haul Store	49.63
Ebay	<u>3,000.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$3,909.14</u>

On a motion by Duane Hyatt, seconded by Brent McCurdy, Council unanimously voted to authorize payment of the bills as listed.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Bryn Athyn Church School Sketch Plan Presentation

President Jeff Elsing introduced Derek Elphick, Bryn Athyn Church Head Pastor, who then introduced members of the new school building committee: Eric Carswell, Greg Henderson, Amie Leighton, Reuben Mergen. Bradley Gay from Metcalfe Architecture lead the presentation.

The plan is to build the new school/church complex on the baseball field site adjacent to the existing parking lot so that school would not be interrupted during construction. There was discussion on the location of the curb cuts for entrance to the new complex, as well as discussion on the location of the school crossing signals and sidewalks.

Civil Service Commission

President Elsing reported that Ingrid Herder has submitted her resignation from the Civil Service Commission and that he had candidates to fill that position, as well as the two alternate member positions: Glen Henderson, Member; Laurie Horan, Alternate Member; Nicole Bau-Madsen, Alternate Member.

On a motion by Aurelle Genzlinger, seconded by Duane Hyatt, Council voted unanimously in favor to accept the resignation of Ingrid Herder from the Civil Service Commission. Council expressed thanks to Mrs. Herder for her service on the Commission.

On a motion by Ric Asplundh, seconded by Brent McCurdy, Council voted unanimously in favor to appoint Glen Henderson a Member of the Bryn Athyn Civil Service Commission.

On a motion by Duane Hyatt, seconded by Ric Asplundh, Council voted unanimously in favor to appoint Laurie Horan an Alternate Member of the Bryn Athyn Civil Service Commission.

On a motion by Aurelle Genzlinger, seconded by Ric Asplundh, Council voted unanimously in favor to appoint Nicole Bau-Madsen an Alternate Member of the Bryn Athyn Civil Service Commission.

MAYOR'S REPORT - None

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Gray reported the following activity for January 2022

Alarms	15
Assist Bryn Athyn Fire / Ambulance	10
Assist Other Police Agencies	29
Miscellaneous Activity	69
Public Service Calls / Assist Citizens	02
Special Traffic Details	20
Suspicious Circumstance Investigations	06
Traffic Citations	68
Vehicle Accidents	03
Vehicle Investigations	94

On Sunday January 2nd at 1:28pm, police stopped a vehicle in the 3000 block of Huntingdon Pike which displayed a fictitious registration. Upon further investigation, police determined that the driver also had a fictitious insurance card for the vehicle. The vehicle was towed to the impound lot and citations were issued to the 20-year-old male resident of Philadelphia for the violations.

On Thursday January 13th at 1:48am, police observed an occupied vehicle parked in the center of the roadway on Quarry Road. The driver was found passed out in the driver seat and in physical control of the vehicle. After waking the driver up, Police detected a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from his breath. Field sobriety tests were conducted, which led to the driver being taken into custody for suspected DUI. The 30-year-old resident of Philadelphia agreed to submit to a blood test, which resulted in a 0.19% BAC.

On Monday January 17th at 12:37am, police observed a vehicle in the area of Byberry and Buck Road that was displaying a fictitious license plate. Police attempted to stop the vehicle, which refused to stop. Although the vehicle was not stopping, it was driving at the posted 40mph speed limit, so police continued to follow and attempt to stop the vehicle on Byberry Road until the vehicle traveled Westbound through a steady red traffic signal, at which time police discontinued their attempts to stop the vehicle. Hatboro Police located the vehicle a short time later in their jurisdiction. Bryn Athyn Police responded to Hatboro where they took the 20-year-old male resident of

Philadelphia into custody and charged him with DUI, Fleeing and Eluding Police, Possession of Drugs and providing False Documents to Police.

On Friday January 21st at 1:33pm, police conducted a vehicle stop in the area of Huntingdon Pike and Cathedral Road which resulted in the arrest of 46-year-old male resident of Philadelphia who was wanted on a warrant that was issued by the Montgomery County Sheriff's Department. The subject was taken into custody without incident and subsequently turned over to the Montgomery County Sheriff's Department.

On Tuesday January 25th at 12:51pm, police conducted a vehicle stop at 1800 Byberry Road which led to the arrest of a 43-year-old female resident of Langhorne, Pennsylvania for driving a vehicle that was not equipped with an ignition interlock system, which was a requirement for the driver to have as part of her sentence for previously driving while DUI. The driver was charged with illegally operating a motor vehicle that was not equipped with the ignition interlock system, driving with a suspended license that was DUI related and displaying fictitious inspection stickers.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Mayor Ken Schauder reported 32 Fire Calls in January, 19 in Lower Moreland and 8 in Bryn Athyn; 206 EMS Calls in January, 114 in Lower Moreland and 11 in Bryn Athyn; 119 Transports, 73 in Lower Moreland and 6 in Bryn Athyn. Mr. Schauder noted that one-third of the calls are supporting the Second Alarmers calls in other municipalities.

BAFC responded to the vacant house across the trail from the Bryn Athyn Post Office in Lower Moreland in the early morning of January 24. It is possible that the fire started in a wood stove. There were no injuries.

Mayor Schauder reported the there are now three personnel in the station 24/7. New software shows members arriving in response to alarms.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT

Mayor Schauder reported that he would like to concentrate on setting up an Emergency Operations Center for the Borough Hall meeting room which was planned when the Municipal Building was expanded in 1991.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT - None

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT - None

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Chairman Jeff Elsing reported that he and Manager Vikki Trost met with the President of the Lower Moreland Township Board of Commissioners and the Township Manager last month to continue fire service discussions. The next meeting is on February 17. Mayor Schauder agreed that regionalization of fire services is coming. Mr. Pennink asked if Mr. Elsing would inform the Lower Moreland officials of the Borough's plans for Alden Road improvements.

Mr. Elsing reported that he has been contacted by the Bryn Athyn Police Officers with regard to contract negotiations. The current contract expires on December 31, 2022. Mr. Elsing, Duane Hyatt and Mayor Schauder will represent the Borough in the negotiations.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Chairman Mark Pennink reported that the few snow events in January were handled well by the snow plow staff.

The 2022 Paving Schedule will include part of Tomlinson Road, part of Alnwick Road, Cathedral Road from Huntingdon Pike to Quarry Road and Masons Mill Road. Mr. Pennink expects to receive funds from AquaPA to pay for restoration of Cathedral Road. No paving is planned for Buck Road this year. There should be AquaPA restoration funds for Buck Road paving in 2023.

Chairman Pennink reported that we need to bid the Alden Road improvements for next year. It was not budgeted for 2022.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Chairman Duane Hyatt reported that the Finance Committee did not meet in January. Mr. Hyatt received a letter from the Bryn Athyn School District requesting the use of a cubicle in Borough Hall for School District administration.

LAND USE AND NATURAL RESOURCES/ SHADE TREE COMMITTEE - None

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE - None

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE - None

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT - None

ZONING OFFICER

Vikki Trost reported two (2) Zoning Permit applications approved in January. Ten (10) Building Permits were issued. Two (2) Grading Permits were issued.

SEWER ADMINISTRATOR

2022 Sewer Rates

Chairman Glenn Gurney reported that sewer rates are based on the budget and flows to the sewage treatment plant. The rates for 2022 need to be adjusted base on the recently received Aqua PA 2021-meter reading report.

In January, Council adopted the following rates: Category 2 - \$1.291 per 100 gallons; Category 3 - \$2.250 per 100 gallons; Category 4 - \$2.250 per 100 gallons.

The new rates will be: Category 2 - \$1.34 per 100 gallons; Category 3 - \$2.417 per 100 gallons; Category 4 - \$2.217 per 100 gallons.

On a motion by Duane Hyatt, seconded by Aurelle Genzlinger, Council voted unanimously in favor to instruct the Borough Secretary to advertise a Public Hearing for the next meeting on March 7, 2022 to adopt rates for Category 2, Category 3 and Category 4 sewer usage rates.

Sewage Treatment Plant Generator

Quotes have been received to replace the diesel generator with diesel, however the Sewer Committee is considering using propane or natural gas to fuel the new generator. The Sycamore Pump Station uses a gasoline generator and the Feters Mill/Loop Pump Station uses the Godwin Pump generator.

BOROUGH ENGINEER

Borough Engineer Nick Rose reported that he reviewed one Regulated Grading Permit application in January.

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Schauder and Councilman Mark Pennink will be away for the March 7, 2022 meeting; Councilor Aurelle Genzlinger may be out of town as well. It may be necessary to change the date of the next meeting.

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR - None

There being no further business presented, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

Council's next regular meeting will be held on Monday, March 7, 2022 at 7:00pm in the Borough Hall.

Victoria S. Trost
Secretary