

Borough of Beaver, PA
Work Session Meeting
January 23, 2024
Minutes

- A regular scheduled work session meeting of Beaver Borough Council was held in the Community Room and called to order on Tuesday, January 23, 2024 at 7:00PM by Council President, Sean Snowden.
- Council Representatives in attendance: Michael Deelo, Todd Hindman, Whitney Learn-Conjeski, Margaret McKean, Sean Snowden, and Amy Stettler.
- Borough officials in attendance: Mayor Thomas Hamilton, Solicitor Garen Fedeles, Sergeant Ken McCoy, Code Enforcement Officer Rick Sprecker, and Rebecca Phillips.
- Absent: Alexander Andres, Roberta Good, Alex Sebastian, and Chief of Police/Borough Manager Dan Madgar.
- Public in attendance (signed in): Robert Snider, Steve McGrew, Ellen Kretchmar, Marie Timpano, Chris Anderson, and Jim Woolley.

Mr. Snowden announced the 2024 Council Committees:

- Highway Committee: Mr. Deelo (chair) and Ms. Learn-Conjeski
- General Government: Ms. Good (chair) and Mr. Andres
- Recreation: Ms. Learn-Conjeski (chair), Ms. McKean, and Ms. Stettler
- Code Enforcement/Public Safety: Mr. Sebastian (chair), Mr. Hindman, and Ms. Good
- Finance: Ms. Stettler (co-chair) and Mr. Hindman (co-chair)

Public Participation –

- Marie Timpano and Chris Anderson, The Cornerstone of Beaver County Men’s Shelter
 - Reviewed the operations and services provided by the shelter.
 - Reviewed the ongoing partnership with the Beaver Police Department.

Commissions/Authorities

Beaver County Regional Council of Governments (COG) –

- Elected Officials Training will be held on Monday, January 29th at 6:00 p.m. The training is for any elected official that is newly elected or those wanting a refresher.

Civil Service Commission – No report

Zoning Hearing Board – No report

Planning Commission – No report

Shade Tree Commission – No report

Code Enforcement Officer – No report

Historical Architectural Review Board – Reported by Mr. McGrew

- 2023 annual report and January 4, 2024 meeting minutes included in the Council packet.
- Currently have a vacancy on the Board. The Board is looking for someone who has experience with historic architecture to fill this vacancy.
 - Mr. Deelo asked Solicitor Fedeles to research if there is any way to change the requirement of having an architect on the HARB. No action would be taken by Council without HARB's recommendation.
- Currently updating Beaver's historic property inventory.
- Applying to the Beaver Area School District for assistance with gathering photos for the historic property inventory index as a Service Opportunity for BASD students.
- Reviewed the Certified Local Government program.

Municipal Authority – Reported by Mr. Deelo

- Engineer's report and meeting minutes from December 20, 2023 and January 2, 2024 were included in the Council packet.
- Continuing to move forward with program to insure residential water lines.
- Reviewed possible infiltration from a sewage line coming from Friendship Ridge/Brighton Rehab.
- Continuing to explore possible solutions for increased levels of chloride.

Pool Committee – No report

Council Committee Reports

Public Safety / Code Enforcement –No Report

Finance – Reported by Ms. Stettler

- Reviewed the draft Pool House Community Center Business Plan. Items such as rental rates/fee structure and if alcohol will be permitted continue to be reviewed.
- Will explore the COVID-19 ARPA PA Multi-Purpose Community Facilities Program grant opportunity.

Highways – No report

General Government – No report

Recreation – No report

Reports

Manager/Secretary Report – No report

Mayor Hamilton – No report

Police Chief Madgar – No report

Fire Department – No report

Emergency Management Coordinator – No report

Engineer – No report

President – Reported by Mr. Snowden

- Reviewed changes in the Council Meeting and Work Session agenda formats.
- Reviewed tennis court agreement with Beaver Area School District

Motions

Authorize Signatures on the First National Bank Loan

Motion by Ms. Learn-Conjeski, I move that Beaver Borough Council approve Dan Madgar, Sean Snowden and Amy Stettler as signatures on behalf of Beaver Borough for the First National Bank loan, and to sign all necessary documents to effectuate the same. Seconded by Ms. Stettler. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Submitted by Rebecca Phillips