

The Borough of Bowmanstown Council Meeting Minutes

January 7, 2025

The Bowmanstown Borough Council meeting was called to order by President Pam Leiby at 7:00 PM, members present were Vice-President Darren Thomas, Rob Moyer, Norman Engle, Jr., Robert Sikorsky, Kara Scott, Candace Rodrigues, Secretary Tracy Csrenko, Solicitor Lisa Pereira, and Engineer Jessica Rehrig. Mayor Zachary Snyder was absent.

Appointments

- * **Motion by Rob Moyer to appoint Joseph Rodrigues to the Zoning Hearing Board for a 3-year term, 2nd Robert Sikorsky, AIF-MC**
- * **Motion by Robert Sikorsky to appoint Phyllis Kreiss as the Vacancy Board Chairman, 2nd Kara Scott, AIF-MC**
- * **Motion by Rob Moyer to appoint Darren Thomas to the UCC Appeals Board, 2nd Candace Rodrigues, AIF-MC**
- * **Motion by Kara Scott to appoint LeaAnn Musselman to the Planning Commission Board, 2nd Rob Moyer, AIF-MC**
- * **Motion by Rob Moyer to appoint Ben Price as Delegate to the Carbon County Tax Collection Committee, 2nd Norman Engle, Jr., AIF-MC**
- * **Motion by Norman Engle, Jr. to appoint Rob Moyer as Alternate Delegate to the Carbon County Tax Collection Committee, 2nd Kara Scott, AIF-MC**

Visitors

- * Phyllis Kreiss
- * Ben Price
- * Scott Smith questioned council on what could be done in regard to people running the stop sign at the corner of Green Street and Lime Street. The street committee will discuss options with the engineer
- * Robert Sikorsky brought up the Water Authority lawsuit that was in the newspaper in regard to 422 Ore Street paying two EDU's and how much money the authority is going to spend. Robert was told that this is a Water Authority issue and to come to an Authority meeting to discuss further

Approval for

1. **Motion by Rob Moyer to approve the minutes of December 3, 2024 Borough Council Meeting, 2nd Norman Engle, Jr., AIF-MC.**
2. **Motion by Darren Thomas to approve the General Treasurer's Report dated January 7, 2025 and payment of the bills listed, 2nd Rob Moyer, AIF-MC.**
3. **Motion by Norman Engle, Jr. to approve the Sewer Treasurer's Report dated January 7, 2025 and payment of the bills listed, 2nd Darren Thomas, AIF-MC.**
4. **Motion by Darren Thomas to approve the Garbage Treasurer's Report dated January 7, 2025 and payment of the bills listed, 2nd Norman Engle, Jr., AIF-MC.**

Correspondence

Subject	Date	Summary
Cell Tower	12/02/24	Verizon entered into an agreement with Vertical Bridge that will allow Vertical Bridge to exclusively lease, operate and manage the cell tower site
Meeting	12/17/24	Water Authority December 2024 meeting minutes

Solicitor

1. Nothing to report

Engineer

1. **Motion by Darren Thomas to approve the annual Engineering Retainer for 2025, 2nd Kara Scott, AIF-MC**

Unfinished Business

1. **Motion by Darren Thomas to adopt Resolution 2025-03 Authorizing the Sale of Borough Property on MuniBid for the sale of the Buyers Salt Spreader, 2nd Norman Engle, Jr., AIF-MC**

New Business

1. No new business to discuss

Committee Reports

Fire

1. Received the Financial Statement as of November 30, 2024

Law

1. Working on setting up a meeting with the committee

Personnel

1. Committee is currently working on the Employee Handbook changes
2. Committee is currently working on the Step Program

Budget & Finance

1. Insurance renewal is May 1, 2025
2. Received \$340.47 from the Tax Claim Bureau for November 2024
3. Received \$1,494.50 from the Recorder of Deeds for November 2024
4. Received \$100.00 from the Magisterial District Court for November 2024

Property & Special

1. Terrel Engle replaced the monument light and will be invoicing the borough
2. **Motion by Darren Thomas to replace the entry door to the garage not to exceed \$4,500.00, 2nd Candace Rodrigues, AIF-MC**
3. **Motion by Rob Moyer to order an aluminum historical plaque at a cost not to exceed \$499.10 plus \$40.00 shipping, 2nd Kara Scott, AIF-MC** Tara to put the samples on facebook to let the residents decide which plaque to order

Sewer, Sanitation, & Water Liaison

1. 722 Mill Street grinder pump has been found pumping into the sewer system, need to follow up on
2. Chris is requesting council to consider an Ordinance to mandate clean out of septic tanks every 3 years for the residents that still have septic tanks.
3. Proposal was received to replace the existing autodialer at the pump station
4. Water supply line to the screener froze and thawed causing it to break

Streets

1. Committee is still reviewing truck quotes
2. The catch basin on the corner of Ore Street and Ridge Street needs to be replaced

Mayor

1. No report

Other Business

1. Zoning/Building Code Officer's Report Year of 2024
2. Received the Notice of Judgement/Transcript Civil Case for 722 Lime Street
3. Zoning Hearing in East Penn Township for the Solar Panels was continued to January 13, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Motion by Darren Thomas to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 PM, 2nd Norman Engle, Jr., AIF-MC

Respectfully submitted by Tracy L Csrenko, Secretary