

MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
July 15, 2019
7:00PM Council Meeting

AGENDA:

Regular meeting of the Borough Council, Borough of Berwick, Pennsylvania was held Monday, July 15, 2019 at 7:00PM; in City Hall. Presiding at this meeting was President of Council Jeri Alley, Council Members present, Jay Jarrett, Nelson Learn, Bob Lewis, Andrew Shecktor, Mayor Tim Burke, and Borough Manager Damien Scoblink.

Absent were Councilman Peter Talanca and Chief of Police Ken Strish.

Also present were Borough Solicitor Attorney Frank Kepner, DPW Foreman Jack Kyttle, Administration Assistant Nancy Sborz and Press Enterprise Reporter Susan Swartz.

A moment of silence was observed and The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

**Review and
Approve Current
Agenda:**

A Motion to approve current agenda and add 3 additions was made by Councilman Jarrett and seconded by Councilman Learn.
All ayes, motion passes.

**PUBLIC HEARING
CITIZENS**

CORRESPONDENCE

PERSONAL APPEALS: NONE

PRESENTATION: NONE

**APPROVAL OF
THE MINUTES
OF THE
PRECEDING
MEETING:**

Motion by Councilman Lewis and seconded by Councilman Shecktor to approve the Council Minutes of June 17, 2019. And the Work Shop minutes of July 1, 2019. All ayes. Motion passes.

**APPROVE
PAYMENT
OF BILLS:**

Motion by Councilwoman Troiani and seconded by Councilman Shecktor to pay the bill listing.
All ayes. Motion passes.

A & A AUTO PARTS STORES	11.90	ICMA RETIREMENT TRUST	2,012.10
ALI ALLEY, MDPC	99.00	ICMA RETIREMENT TRUST	380.00
AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE ASSURANCE	857.21	INDUSTRIAL CHEM LABS	269.11
AMERICAN PAPER & SUPPLY INC	165.15	JAMES DALBERTO	20.00
AMERICAN PAPER & SUPPLY INC	390.25	JEREMY MULDER	42.75
ARGUS INDUSTRIAL CO, LLC	15,119.15	JOINT VETERANS COUNCIL	300.00

ATLANTIC BROADBAND	137.80	KEPNER, KEPNER & CORBA, P.C.	3,827.50
BAE SYSTEMS INFORMATION	7,275.00	KEVIN RYMAN INC	85.50
BARRY'S SERVICE INC.	110.56	KEYSTONE COMMUNICATIONS	97.50
BARRY'S SERVICE INC.	282.28	LACAL EQUIPMENT, INC	286.91
BEAVER VALLEY ENVIRENMENTAL LLC	350.00	LAUBACH'S AUTO REPAIR	206.05
BELLES PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, LLC	54,667.42	LAUBACH'S AUTO REPAIR	36.99
BENCHMARK INSURANCE COMPANY	1,931.00	MARK TRAPANE	200.00
BERWICK ELECTRICAL SUPPLY, INC.	21.44	MATTHEWS FUEL SERVICE, INC.	102.82
BODNAR SALES & SERVICE	144.29	MATTHEWS SPRING WATER	63.25
BODNAR SALES & SERVICE	76.93	McCARTHY TIRE & AUTOMOTIVE	625.35
BOROUGH OF BERWICK GENERAL FUND	8,140.94	METROPOLITAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS	868.11
BORO OF BWK MUNCIPAL PENSION	811.59	MIDLAND ASPHALT MATERIALS INC.	583.95
BORO OF BWK MUNCIPAL PENSION	818.96	MIDLAND ASPHALT MATERIALS INC.	600.48
BOROUGH OF BERWICK PAYROLL ACCT	43,181.23	MIDLAND ASPHALT MATERIALS INC.	594.96
BOROUGH OF BERWICK PAYROLL ACCT	36,417.06	NAPA AUTOPARTS BERWICK	4.29
BOROUGH OF BERWICK PAYROLL ACCT	2,232.12	NAPA AUTOPARTS BERWICK	349.99
BOROUGH OF BERWICK PAYROLL ACCT	38,609.53	NAPA AUTOPARTS BERWICK	62.90
BOROUGH OF BERWICK PAYROLL ACCT	39,286.61	NAPA AUTOPARTS BERWICK	93.83
BOROUGH OF BERWICK PAYROLL ACCT	30.40	NATIONAL TACTICAL OFFICERS ASSOC	150.00
BOROUGH OF BERWICK PAYROLL ACCT	48.49	NMS	242.00
BOROUGH OF BERWICK PAYROLL ACCT	30.40	P A W C	47.35
BOROUGH OF BERWICK PAYROLL ACCT	166.67	P A W C	22.26
BOROUGH OF BERWICK PAYROLL ACCT	48.49	P A W C	15.42
BOROUGH OF BERWICK POLICE PENSION	918.30	P A W C	2,601.58
BOROUGH OF BERWICK POLICE PENSION	890.17	PACE ANALYTICAL SERVICES, LLC	35.00
BORO OF BWK POLICE PENSION TRUST FD	1,904.21	PENNSYLVANIA CHIEFS OF POLICE ASSOC	990.00
BOROUGH OF BERWICK RECYCLING FUND	17,250.00	PENNSYLVANIA ONE CALL SYSTEM	137.09
BOYER'S FOOD MARKET	147.12	PETERS CONSULTANTS, INC.	443.75
CAPITAL ONE	126.54	PETERS CONSULTANTS, INC.	90.00
CASSANDRA MOWERY	208.31	PETERS CONSULTANTS, INC.	328.75
CENTRAL PA TEAMSTERS HEALTH & WELF.	3,684.45	PHILIP MAINIERO	35.75
CENTRAL PA TEAMSTERS HEALTH & WELF.	55,532.67	PITNEY BOWES PURCHASE POWER	800.00
CENTRAL PA TEAMSTERS HEALTH & WELF.	2,369.88	PPL	33.28
CH WALTZ SONS, INC	11.50	PPL	191.27
CH WALTZ SONS, INC	135.97	PPL	1,440.66
CINTAS FIRE PROTECTION	549.96	PPL	11,901.54
CLEVELAND BROTHERS EQUIPMENT	89.13	PRESS-ENTERPRISE, INC.	604.40
CNA SURETY	100.00	QUAD THREE GROUP, INC.	6,164.11
COLE'S HARDWARE	178.06	RANGER HOSE CO	383.33
COLE'S HARDWARE	108.08	RELIANCE FIRE CO	383.33
COLE'S HARDWARE	138.06	RENCO SERVISTAR	3.56
COMPRESSED AIR SYSTEMS, INC.	130.00	ROGERS UNIFORMS	2,045.00
CURTIS RIDER	70.00	SCOTT SIENKIEWICZ	9.21
CUSTOM ADVERTISING	342.35	SHERWIN-WILLIAMS	49.74
CUSTOM ADVERTISING	131.20	STEVE SHANNON TIRE CO	152.88
DAMIEN SCOBLINK	191.40	STEVE SHANNON TIRE CO	74.94
DAN-BER CONCRETE & SUPPLY	602.50	STEVE SHANNON TIRE CO	603.76
DEACON EQUIPMENT CO., INC.	42.00	STEVE SHANNON TIRE CO	3,423.36

DEARBORN NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE CO	1,237.52	SUPERIOR PLUS ENERGY SERVICES	607.22
DEFEBO GRAPHICS	230.00	SUPERIOR PLUS ENERGY SERVICES	602.63
EAGLES FIRE COMPANY	383.33	SUPERIOR PLUS ENERGY SERVICES	44.96
FASTENAL COMPANY	98.31	SUPERIOR PLUS ENERGY SERVICES	629.51
FIRST COLUMBIA BANK & TRUST CO.	1,351.43	SUPERIOR PLUS ENERGY SERVICES	656.79
FIRST COLUMBIA BANK & TRUST CO.	3,575.99	SUSQUEHANNA FIRE EQUIPMENT CO	1,351.00
FRIEDMAN ELECTRIC	106.14	SUSQUEHANNA FIRE EQUIPMENT CO	117.00
FRIEDMAN ELECTRIC SUPPLY CO	25.83	TEAM GREEN RECYCLING	17,250.00
G & S FLAG	655.00	TEAMSTERS	1,472.00
GENERAL SALES, INC.	57.95	TRI-COUNTY HARDWARE	59.37
GREGORY MARTIN	480.00	TRI-COUNTY-LUMBER DIVISION	4.69
HANSON AGGREGATES INC	402.05	TRI-COUNTY-LUMBER DIVISION	56.28
HIGHWAY EQUIP & SUPPLY	577.14	TROOP N CAMP CADET	100.00
ICMA RETIREMENT TRUST	2,198.02	TUZZI'S BAKERY	160.00
ICMA RETIREMENT TRUST	380.00	US SUPPLY COMPANY	172.42
ICMA RETIREMENT TRUST	1,953.94	VERIZON WIRELESS	167.47
ICMA RETIREMENT TRUST	380.00	WASHINGTON NATIONAL INS CO	243.60
ICMA RETIREMENT TRUST	380.00	WEST BERWICK FIRE CO	383.33
ICMA RETIREMENT TRUST	1,935.22	WEX BANK	2,338.72
ICMA RETIREMENT TRUST	5.00		

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

MAYOR: **Mayor Tim Burke:** 07/04/19 Made a visit to Elm Croft Assisted Living for their Veterans appreciation.

Area businesses are helping others with refrigerators and air conditioners.

07/20/19 Will be at the All Wars Memorial down at the VFW. The scooter for the seniors there has been ordered and delivered last week.

There is still about \$4,200.00 left from The Mayor's Ball that we are looking for a home for and the committee is working diligently on it.

There is a Church that wants to help with the Christmas Kids Program that we do and we will gladly accept their help.

We got into the lockers that were from the 6th Street fire and it is amazing how many clothes and things that are still there. So we are going to move it along to get the stuff out to the community.

We have a Scout that is here for a Merit Badge, Pat Hill and his daughter.

We had a couple nasty accidents here in the area the last week or so. Couple of well-known people in the area. And I've expressed my condolences to them.

Sending sympathies to Mayor Tim Benner from Catawissa who died over the weekend. That is their seconded loss their Fire Chief of 50 years died last week. We wish them the best and hope that things get better in a hurry.

SOLICITOR: **Attorney Frank Kepner**: Nothing to report.

PERSONNEL: **Councilman Jarrett**: Nothing to report.

LEGAL & FINANCE: **Council President Alley**: Budget meeting was held tonight and all looks well.

PARKS & RECREATION: **Councilman Jarrett**: Jay spoke too Chief Strish about combining National Night Out with Kids Night. So we could get more Kids involved. This will be Tuesday, August 6th from 6-8PM at the Jackson Mansion.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: **Councilman Shecktor**: Nothing to report.

STREETS, PARKS, & BUILDINGS: **Jack Kyttle**: SEE REPORT. The first order of Veteran Park bricks have been installed. Tri County has volunteered their truck to go pick up the fill in bricks.

World War II Event is this weekend.

FIRE & WATER: **Councilman Shecktor**: Nothing to report.

CODES, RECYCLING & ORDINANCES: **Councilman Learn & Talanca**: Nothing to report.

SAFETY: **Councilman Lewis**: Nothing to report.

POLICE: **Chief Ken Strish**: (absent) See Report.

BAJSA REPORT: SEE REPORT.

SOLICITOR: **Attorney Frank Kepner**: Nothing to report.

Council President Alley read a Thank You note from Cathy Stalega-D'Ambrosio a Board Member of the Berwick Pool Association with regard to what the Borough is doing to help out at the pool.

BUSINESS

NOT READY

FOR ACTION: NONE

OLD

BUSINESS: NONE

**APPROVAL OF
ORDINANCES**

AND RESOLUTIONS: RESOLUTION 2019-04 Fair Housing See below.

NEW BUSINESS

**Approved
CDBG FFY
2019 Action
Plan**

A motion was made by Councilman Jarrett to approve the CDBG FFY 2019 Annual Action Plan. This was seconded by Councilman Lewis. All ayes. Motion passes.

**Approved
RESOLUTION
2019-04
Fair Housing**

Councilman Shecktor made a motion to approve RESOLUTION 2019-04 The Fair Housing Resolution. This was seconded by Councilman Learn. All ayes. Motion passes.

**Approve
Payment to
Peters Consulting
For \$378.75 &
\$433.75**

Councilwoman Talanca made the motion to pay Peters Consulting \$348.75 for Invoice #108568 and \$443.75 for Invoice #108638. This was seconded by Councilman Jarrett. All Ayes. Motion passes.

**Approved
Payment to
Don E. Bower
\$3,422.13
For curb cuts**

Councilman Lewis made a motion to approve payment to Don E. Bower (part III) Pay App #2 for \$3,422.13 From CDBG curb cuts funds. This was seconded by Councilman Jarrett. All ayes. Motion passes.

**Approved
Payment to
Belle Property
Management
\$4,915.59
& \$49,751.83
For curb cuts**

Councilman Learn made a motion to pay Belles Property Management, LLC (Part III) Pay App #2 for \$4,915.59 & (Part IV) Pay App #1 \$49,751.83 from CDBG Curb Cut funds. This was seconded by Councilman Jarrett. All ayes. Motion passes.

Approved

Councilman Jarrett made a motion to hold Halloween

**2019 Halloween
Dates Wed. &
Thurs. Oct 30th
& 31st (6-8PM)**

Trick or Treat Nights Wed & Thurs Oct 30th & 31st
from 6-8PM each night. This was seconded by
Councilman Learn. All ayes. Motion passes.

**Approved
Payment to
Columbia County
Conservation of
\$47.43 for
advertisement**

Councilman Shecktor made a motion to pay \$47.43;
Berwick's share of advertising a flood restoration
project at 1359 5th Ave in the Borough by Columbia
County Conservation District. This was seconded by
Councilwoman Troiani. All ayes. Motion passes

**TABLED
Discussion on
Historic
Properties**

Borough Manager Damien Scoblinc stated he gave all
Council Members a draft of an Ordinance. The Solicitor
(Atty. Kepner) said he would a few small changes he
can go over with the Manager.
Council Tabled the issue.
No motion was needed.

ADDED ITEMS:

**Approved the
Borough Manager
attending Penn
Prime Annual
Membership Meet**

A motion was made by Councilman Shecktor to approve
the Borough Manager's attendance at the Annual Penn
Prime Membership Meeting at no cost to the Borough.
This was seconded by Councilwoman Troiani.
All ayes. Motion passes.

**Approved payment
To Peters
Consulting to
Attend work shop:
Abbonizio
Law suit**

A motion was made by Councilman Jarrett to pay
Dennis Peters of Peters Consulting to attend a
a work shop in reference to the Abbonizio law suit.
This was seconded by Councilman Lewis.
Ally ayes. Motion passes.

**Approved
Holy 5K
Annual Race at
Test Track Park
Nov 9, 2019**

A motion was made by Councilman Learn to approve
Annual Holy 5K Race at Test Track Park Nov 9, 2019
with limited electric of 2 outlets. This was seconded
by Councilwoman Troiani. All ayes. Motion passes.

**Approved
Borough manager
To make approvals
For Annual &
general events**

A motion was made by Councilman Learn to leave it
up to the Borough Manager to approve annual events
or events in general as long as it will not cost the
Borough any money. This was seconded by Councilwoman
Troiani. All ayes. Motion passes.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Councilwoman Troiani,
seconded by Councilman Lewis.

