

Borough of Alburtis

Meeting Minutes

January 11, 2023

The January 11, 2023, meeting of Borough Council was called to order by Council President Ron DeIaco at 7:00 p.m. in the Borough Hall, 260 Franklin Street, Alburtis, PA.

Council members in attendance:

Ron DeIaco

Chad Atkins

Steve Hill

Mehmet Birtek

John Aleszczyk

Stephen Nemeth

Hector Moss

Associates of Alburtis in attendance:

Dave Knerr, Solicitor

Sharon Trexler, Borough Manager

Kathleen Palmer, Mayor

Visitors in attendance: Gary DeRoner

Ashlynn Rivera

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

MAYOR’S REPORT – Mayor Palmer reviewed the Police Report. John Aleszczyk asked for a breakdown of traffic stops to see how many were trucks. Chad Atkins made a motion to accept the Police Report, Stephen Nemeth 2nd and a unanimous vote followed.

MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 28, 2022 – Steve Hill made a motion to approve the Minutes of December 28, 2022, Stephen Nemeth 2nd and a unanimous vote followed.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT – JANUARY 11, 2023 – Hector Moss made a motion to pay the bills of January 11, 2023, Chad Atkins 2nd and a unanimous vote followed.

TREASURER’S REPORT – Chad Atkins made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report, Stephen Nemeth 2nd and a unanimous vote followed.

ENGINEER’S REPORT – Chad Atkins made a motion to accept the Engineer’s Report, Stephen Nemeth 2nd and a unanimous vote followed.

MACUNGIE AMBULANCE CORPS – The Macungie Ambulance Corps monthly report was reviewed. There were thirteen calls in the Borough in December.

ADMINISTRATION

Resolution No. 2023-1 – Stephen Nemeth made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2023-1, a Resolution re-appointing June Ellen Claydon, Richard Kulbaba, and Thomas Miller to the Alburtis Zoning Hearing Board. The motion was 2nd by Chad Atkins and a unanimous vote followed.

Resolution No. 2023-2 – Chad Atkins made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2023-2, a Resolution re-appointing Stephen Nemeth to the Alburtis Park and Recreation Commission. The motion was 2nd by Hector Moss, Stephen Nemeth and the balance were ayes.

Resolution No. 2023-3 – Mehmet Birtek made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2023-3, a Resolution re-appointing Scott Stoneback to the Alburtis Civil Service Commission. The motion was 2nd by Chad Atkins and a unanimous vote followed.

Resolution No. 2023-4 – Hector Moss made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2023-4, a Resolution re-appointing Robyn Petrie and Michael Wambaugh to the Alburdis Planning Commission. The motion was 2nd by Mehmet Birtek and a unanimous vote followed.

Special Events Committee – The new Special Events Committee that Council approved should have terms and guidelines like other committees in the Borough since it is a Borough sponsored committee. Stephen Nemeth suggested it be a sub-committee under Park and Recreation. This would work, but guidelines still need to be established. Hector Moss said they have many things planned and questioned if they can solicit funds for the Borough to help with the events. That would be up to Council. The Committee will meet and come up with terms and guidelines.

Harold Frey – Memorial Bench – With the passing of longtime Frey’s Store owner, Harold, the Borough would like to dedicate a memorial bench in the Borough. It was suggested that it is placed either at the basketball court or the ballfield. Sharon will put out a Facebook post stating that we will accept donations. Hector Moss made a motion to move forward with a bench, Stephen Nemeth 2nd and a unanimous vote followed.

Shed for Sewer Station – Maintenance is requesting a shed for the sewer station. This will allow them to store items used with the new basket system separately. Hector Moss made a motion to spend up to \$1,500 on a shed, Chad Atkins 2nd and a unanimous vote followed.

Lower Macungie Township – Public Notice – Correspondence was received Lower Macungie Township in regards to their upcoming Zoning Hearing Board on January 24, 2023.

LV Regional Homeless Advisory Board – Correspondence was received regarding homelessness. We are not aware of anyone being homeless in the Borough.

A motion to adjourn at 7:26 p.m. was made by Steve Hill, 2nd by Stephen Nemeth and a unanimous vote followed. Meeting minutes were taken and submitted by Sharon Trexler, Borough Manager.