

**BANGOR BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT 197 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, BANGOR, PA**

MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 10, 2018 7:00PM

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE TO FLAG

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

James W. Kresge
Robert Goffredo, Sr.
Barry G. Schweitzer
Robert W. Engle

Others Present:

Nathaniel J. Dysard, Borough Manager
Brooke Kerzner, Mayor
David J. Ceraul, Esq., Solicitor
Erika Neetz, Junior Council Member

Absent:

Lisa Fogel
Michael J. Bilotta
Jane E. Gorman
Sascha Gutierrez, Junior Council Member

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Leila Ross of 129 Messinger Street was present for an update on the Messinger Street Culvert Project. Manager Dysard stated that he will have updates at the September 24th Council Meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A **MOTION** to approve the minutes dated August 13, 2018 & August 27, 2018 was made by Engle, seconded by Goffredo. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.

ACTION ITEMS

1. A letter of interest was received from Robert Rhodes to fill the vacant position on the Authority Board. A **MOTION** was made by Engle, seconded by Schweitzer to appoint Robert Rhodes to the Authority Board. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.
2. A **MOTION** was made by Goffredo, seconded by Schweitzer to have Bangor's trick-or-treat on the Sunday before Halloween from 2-5 pm. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.
3. Manager Dysard stated that each year the Borough is required to prepare and adopt the retirement plans MMO's for each of the retirement/pension plans (Police Pension Contribution, Non-Uniform Plan, Authority Plan, Cash Balance Non-Uniform.) A **MOTION** was made by Goffredo, seconded by Engle to adopt the 2019 Retirement Plan Minimum Municipal Obligation's. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.
4. Manager Dysard reviewed the two cost estimates (new radios for the police department for approximately \$20,000 and a Broadway Storm Sewer Project for approximately \$283,000) with Council for the Borough's grant applications for the LSA. A **MOTION** was made by Schweitzer, seconded by Goffredo to approve the LSA grant applications submission. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.

5. Manager Dysard reviewed the 2019 budget calendar and process with Borough Council.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

1. Police Chief Felchok addressed the tele-marketers scam soliciting money for police funds.
2. Mayor Kerzner attended the Synagro Sludge Plant meeting.
3. Council Member Schweitzer received a letter of support from Pen Argyl Council that will be sent to the DEP Secretary regarding standards/regulated fill. Letters of support are expected from Lower and Upper Mount Bethel.
Schweitzer mentioned with all the rain recently he is concerned about buildings that are over creeks in town. Council President Kresge mentioned the FEMA Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 that involves removing structures over buildings.
Mayor Kerzner will further research the FEMA grant.
4. Fire Chief Engle will be discussing the current hurricanes at their monthly meeting with all three companies, so the department is prepared in the future.
The weather was beautiful the day of the Pen Argyl parade and the departments won six awards. Chief Engle complimented all the hard work that the guys did in preparation for the parade.
5. Junior Council Member Neetz mentioned the Bangor Elks Antlers had their first meeting and they will be doing a can drive for Thanksgiving.
6. Council President Kresge attended the Wine and Musical Festival and complimented everyone involved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A **MOTION** to adjourn the meeting and go into Executive Session at 7:33 P.M. to discuss legal, personnel and real estate matters, with action to follow was made by Schweitzer, seconded by Engle. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.

Council President Kresge stated that the legal, personnel and real estate matters were discussed. A **MOTION** was made by Engle, seconded by Schweitzer to enter back into public session at 8:32 P.M. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.

A **MOTION** was made by Engle, seconded by Goffredo to hire the law firm Hamburg, Rubin, Mullin, Maxwell & Lupin (HRMM&L) for the Messinger Street Eliminant Domain. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.

ADJOURNMENT

A **MOTION** to adjourn was made by Schweitzer, seconded by Engle. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.

The Bangor Borough Council Meeting adjourned at 8:34 P.M. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tracy Palmer, Administrative Secretary