

**Borough Council Meeting
Minutes – November 20, 2024**

Call to Order – Mrs. Dekar called the meeting to order at 5:30pm and Miss Meyer offered the meeting prayer and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call – The following members of the Borough Council were present; Cori Belles, James Daly, Derrick Hall, Dan Wayman, Jessica Meyer and Jessie Dekar. **Also present;** Henry Farley, Mayor; Gil Crossett, Assistant Fire Chief; Jonathan Foster, Jr., Solicitor; Blane Lathrop, DPW Forman; Robert Repasky, Fire Chief; Dan Reynolds, Police Chief; and David Jarrett, Borough Manager.

Citizens to be Heard – There were none.

Approval of Minutes – A motion was made by Mr. Daly and seconded by Mr. Wayman to approve the minutes of the Borough Council meeting held on October 16, 2024, Borough Council Budget Workshop Meeting held on November 6, 2024, and Borough Council Workshop meeting held November 13, 2024. **Under the question:** There were none. **Roll Call: Mrs. Belles, Mr. Daly, Mr. Hall, Mr. Wayman, Miss Meyer, and Mrs. Dekar; AYE.**

Finance Report – October 31, 2024 – There were no questions or comments.

Approval of Bills List & Supplemental Bills List – A motion was made by Mr. Daly and seconded by Miss Meyer to approve the bills list and supplemental bills list. **Under the question:** There were none. **Roll Call: Mrs. Belles, Mr. Daly, Mr. Hall, Mr. Wayman, Miss Meyer, and Mrs. Dekar; YES.**

Elected & Appointed Officials – Mayor Farley presented Emma Chilson with a Certificate of Recognition for her achievement of earning the Girl Scout Gold Award. Mayor Farley explained that the award is designed to be completed by an individual girl and stated that to earn the award, each girl must complete two Senior or Ambassador journeys or to complete one Senior or Ambassador journey and have earned a Girl Scout Silver Award. The Girl Scout Gold Award is the highest and most prestigious award in Girl Scouting, and is comparable to the Boy Scouts of America's Eagle Scout Merit.

Correspondence Summary - There were no questions or comments.

Consent Agenda Items – Mrs. Dekar explained that items of business and matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and non-controversial and will be enacted by one motion and one roll call vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired by a Council Member, that item is to be identified and removed from the Consent Agenda, and will be considered separately at the appropriate place on the Agenda.

- a. Approve Advertisement of 2025 Budget
- b. Approve Advertisement of Ordinance Amendment – Chapter 137-37 Tap In Fees

- c. Approve Certified List of Qualified Candidates For The Position of Patrol Officer Probationary As Presented By Civil Service Commission.
- d. Approve Resolution 2024-05 Statewide Local Share Assessment Grant Application
- e. Approve Parking Restrictions & Street Closures For 2024 Christmas Parade [11/29/24]
- f. Approve The Transfers From General Fund & Sewer Fund to the Capital Reserve Fund

A motion was made by Miss Meyer and seconded by Mr. Daly to approve the items listed on the Consent Agenda. **Under the question:** There were none. **Roll Call: Mrs. Belles, Mr. Daly, Mr. Hall, Mr. Wayman, Miss Meyer, and Mrs. Dekar; YES.**

Recess – Mrs. Dekar recessed the meeting at 5:34pm prior to going into executive session to discuss a personnel issue.

Executive Session – The Borough Council went into executive session at 5:37pm to discuss a personnel issue involving the Police Department. The session ended at 5:55pm.

Vote to extend an offer of employment to Michael Oulouhojian for the position of Patrol Officer-Probationary pending successful completion of all background checks as recommended by Chief Reynolds. A motion was made by Mrs. Belles and seconded by Miss Meyer to extend an offer of employment to Michael Oulouhojian for the position of Patrol Officer-Probationary pending successful completion of all background checks as recommended by Chief Reynolds. **Under the Question:** There were none. **Roll Call: Mrs. Belles, Mr. Daly, Mr. Hall, Mr. Wayman, Miss Meyer, and Mrs. Dekar; YES.**

Vote to set the hourly rate for Officer Michael Oulouhojian at the Officer I rate. A motion was made by Miss Meyer and seconded by Mr. Hall to set the hourly rate for Officer Oulouhojian at the hourly rate of Officer I as recommended by Chief Reynolds. **Under the Question:** There were none. **Roll Call: Mrs. Belles, Mr. Daly, Mr. Hall, Mr. Wayman, Miss Meyer, and Mrs. Dekar; YES.**

Vote to set the hourly rate for Officer Michael Oulouhojian at the Officer III rate upon successfully completing the probationary period. A motion was made by Mr. Hall and seconded by Mr. Daly to establish the hourly rate for Officer Michael Oulouhojian at the Officer II upon successfully completing the probation period as recommended by Chief Reynolds. **Under the Question:** There were none. **Roll Call: Mr. Daly, Mr. Hall, Miss Meyer, and Mrs. Dekar; YES. Mrs. Belles and Mr. Wayman; NO.**

Adjourn – A motion was made by Mr. Daly and seconded by Mr. Hall to adjourn the meeting at 5:55pm. There were no objections.

Respectfully submitted,



David M Jarrett
Borough Manager/Secretary