

BOROUGH OF EAST PITTSBURGH
MINUTES FOR THE COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2023 - 7:00 PM

1. The October 17, 2023 meeting of the East Pittsburgh Council was called to order at 7:02 PM by Ms. Kennedy
2. Mr. Walker took roll call:

Present:

Mary Carol Kennedy, Council President
Chad Nicholson, Council Member (*Via Phone*)
Mark Petri, Council Member
Ed Ruane, Council Member

Absent:

Jonathan Reyes, Council Vice President
Markus Adams, Mayor
David Miller, Code Enforcement Officer/Fire Marshal

Other:

Benjamin D. Walker, Borough Manager
Denise Hartford, Borough Secretary
Nick Evashavik, Borough Solicitor
Laura Branthoover, Borough Engineer

3. Pledge of Allegiance Ms. Kennedy
4. Agenda:
 - a. A motion was made by Ruane and seconded by Petri to approve agenda as presented.

- All present were in favor
5. Meeting Minutes:
 - a. A motion was made by Petri and seconded by Ruane to approve the September 12, 2023 Agenda Meeting Minutes as presented.

- All present were in favor
 - b. Motion to approve September 19, 2023 Council Meeting Minutes

- All present were in favor

6. Public Comment –

None.

7. Authorization to Pay Bills -

Ms. Kennedy

General Fund Expenditures	\$49,327.74
Payroll Expenditures	\$18,553.09
Sewage Fund Expenditures	\$112,143.03
Liquid Fuels Expenditures	\$3,468.52
Total Expenditures	\$183,492.38

A motion was made by Petri and seconded by Ruane to approve payment of the bills.

- All present were in favor

8. Reports

a. Manager's Report

Mr. Walker

A motion was made by Ruane and seconded by Petri to approve the Manager's report.

- All present were in favor

b. Engineer's Report

Mrs. Branthoover

A motion was made by Petri and seconded by Ruane to approve the Engineer's report.

- All present were in favor

-Laura Branthoover, Borough Engineer read the Engineer's Report.

c. Fire Marshal/Code Enforcement

Mr. Miller

A motion was made by Ruane and seconded by Petri to approve the Fire Marshal's reports.

- All present were in favor

Mrs. Kennedy requested and Council confirmed that a process for answering questions in the absence of Mr. Miller during Council Meetings. The Borough Manager confirmed that he would inform Mr. Miller of the process for writing a list of questions for each Agenda Meeting to be answered for the Council Business Meeting.

d. Solicitor's Report

Mr. Evashavik

A Motion was made by Petri and seconded by Ruane to approve the Solicitor's report.

- All present were in favor

Nick Evashavik, Borough Solicitor, informed Council that the personnel letter written by Mr. Walker has placed the Borough in a solid position regarding the issue.

- e. Mayor's Report Mr. Adams

No Report Submitted (Absent With Cause)

- f. DPW Report Mr. Yocca

No Report Submitted

9. Old Business

None.

10. New Business

- a. A motion to introduce and conduct the first reading of Proposed Borough Ordinance No. 936

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF EAST PITTSBURGH, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, REPEALING ORDINANCE 862 OF THE EAST PITTSBURGH BOROUGH CODE AND ESTABLISHING NEW REGULATIONS RELATED TO STREET OPENINGS AND RESTORATION AND AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH TO CHARGE PERMIT FEES AND ESTABLISH BONDING REQUIREMENTS.

- All present were in favor

11. Committee Actions/Discussions

- a. Council discussed having a Holiday Party/Open House to be scheduled on Thursday, December 7, 2023, with Councilman Mark Petri as the event organizer. Mr. Walker, Borough Manager, is to work on getting a notice out to the Borough residents.
- b. Council discussed the healthcare proposal given by Mockenhaupt, as well as the cost breakdown submitted by the Borough Manager. The Borough Manager was to get additional quotes for different deductible options.
- c. Brick replacement for street reconstruction projects discussed, as there is a project in the City of Pittsburgh (originally thought to be Swissvale) that involves replacing existing bricks for the street repairs.

12. Adjournment:

- i. A motion was made by Ruane and seconded by Petri to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 PM.

- All present were in favor