

BOROUGH OF EAST PITTSBURGH
MINUTES FOR THE COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28 - 7:00 PM

1. The November 28, 2023 meeting of the East Pittsburgh Council was called to order at 7:00 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
Laura Branthoover, Borough Engineer

Other:

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

3. Pledge of Allegiance Ms. Kennedy
4. Agenda:

- a. A motion was made by Petri and seconded by Ruane to approve the agenda as presented.

- All present were in favor.

5. Meeting Minutes:

- a. A motion was made by Ruane and seconded by Petri to approve October 10, 2023 Agenda Meeting Minutes as presented.

- All present were in favor.

- b. A motion was made by Ruane and seconded by Petri to approve October 17, 2023 Council Meeting Minutes with corrections.

- All present were in favor.

6. Public Comment –

- a. Kelley Kelley and Joey Brantle CONNECT (Congress of Neighboring Communities) Presentation.

7. Authorization to Pay Bills -

Ms. Kennedy

General Fund Expenditures	\$64,046.98
Payroll Expenditures	\$19,602.42
Sewage Fund Expenditures	\$17,755.00
Liquid Fuels Expenditures	\$5,176.96
Total Expenditures	\$106,581.36

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.

- c. Fire Marshal/Code Enforcement

Mr. Miller

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

- All present were in favor.

d. Solicitor's Report

Mr. Evashavik

None Submitted.

e. Mayor's Report

Mr. Adams

None Submitted (Absent).

f. DPW Report

Mr. Yocca

None Submitted.

9. Old Business

- a. Cookies and supplies for decorating and a plan to prepare Council Chambers discussed. Toys for the children, short games, and other activities discussed.

10. New Business

- a. A motion was made by Ruane and seconded by Petri to contract Mockenhaupt Municipal Benefits System for the 2024 Calendar Year for medical insurance under the Highmark Performance Blue Network, United Concordia for dental insurance, and VBS for vision insurance.

- All present were in favor.

- b. A motion was made by Petri and seconded by Ruane to pay Axis Architecture \$25,000.00 for work performed on the redesign and bid proposal process for the East Pittsburgh New Municipal Facility Project.

- All present were in favor.

- c. A motion was made by Ruane and seconded by Petri to ratify Resolution 23-05:

RESOLUTION BY THE BOROUGH OF EAST PITTSBURGH BOROUGH, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA TO DETERMINE AND DECLARE BLIGHTED STRUCTURES FOR DEMOLITION USING FUNDS AWARDED UNDER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM.

- All present were in favor.

- d. A motion was made by Ruane and seconded by Petri to ratify Concurring Resolution 23-06 (TCVCOG CDBG-50):

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF EAST PITTSBURGH AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR CDBG FUNDS WITH ALLEGHENY COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

- All present were in favor.

- e. A motion was made by Ruane and seconded by Petri to ratify Concurring Resolution 23-07 (County CDBG-50):

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF EAST PITTSBURGH AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR CDBG FUNDS WITH ALLEGHENY COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

- All present were in favor.

- f. A motion was made by Ruane and seconded by Petri to adopt Resolution 23-08 (LSA Application FY 2023 – Municipal Building):

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF EAST PITTSBURGH, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY HEREBY REQUESTING A STATEWIDE LOCAL SHARE ASSESSMENT GRANT FROM THE COMMONWEALTH FINANCING AUTHORITY.

- All present were in favor.

- g. A motion was made by Ruane and seconded by Petri to adopt Resolution 23-09 (LSA Application FY 2023 – Police Vehicles and Public Works Truck):

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF EAST PITTSBURGH, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY HEREBY REQUESTING A STATEWIDE LOCAL SHARE ASSESSMENT GRANT FROM THE COMMONWEALTH FINANCING AUTHORITY.

- All present were in favor.

11. Committee Actions/Discussions

- a. Eos Reenergizing the Mon Valley, Together meeting cancelled.

12. Adjournment:

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

- All present were in favor.