

BRIAR CREEK BOROUGH
October 26, 2022
WORK SESSION MINUTES

Vice-President E. James Seeley called the work session to order at 7PM.

Present: E. James Seeley, James Long, Ed Fenton, Joseph Riggio, Bill Witner, Mayor Harold Kershner, David Kershner, Secretary Carol Kieser, and Tammy Trivelpiece, representative for Berwick Area Pool Association. Absent: W. Bruce Michael, Zoning Officer Larry Frace, Solicitor, and Engineer.

No Citizens were present. Representatives from New Leaf Solar were on the agenda but did not attend.

No Berwick Area Swimming Pool report was given.

Included in the packets for Council were the minutes of September 28 work session and October 5, 2022 Regular Council Meeting (no quorum), and a list of bills to be paid.

No citizen comments or complaints were received.

E. James Seeley presented the BAJSA 09/14/22 meeting minutes and BCB past due report. Berwick sewer rates are increasing by \$8/month to cover MS4 costs. Briar Creek Borough rates will remain the same.

Old or Unfinished Business

BIDA Downtown Project – No report.

PennDOT Rt 11 Project – Tentative start date is Spring 2023 for milling and resurfacing on Rt. 11. Estimated cost is \$1,600,000.

Pavilion Project – No report.

Recycling Services Provided by Berwick Borough – No report.

Review of Highway Service and Commercial Sections of Zoning Ordinance. No report given.

New Business

The 2023 Budget was submitted for Council's review. Law and Finance Committee to comment at the 12/7/2022 council meeting.

Request for contributions from council members was made for the annual Police Holiday Food Basket.

Motion by Ed Fenton/seconded Joe Riggio to adopt Resolution #7-2022 to appoint William Witner to fill the remaining term of Larry Santora. Motion carried; no opposed.

Motion by Ed Fenton/seconded Joe Riggio to adopt Resolution #8, Adopt BAJSA local limits. Motion carried; no opposed.

Motion by Jim Long/seconded Dave Kershner to adopt Resolution #9, Local Tax Collecting Law. Motion carried; no opposed.

The Borough Manager's contract will be reviewed by the Law and Finance Committee.

A zoning hearing has been set for Thursday, December 1, 2022, at 6PM, for the purpose of considering an expansion of a commercial structure by Smith Pipe and Welding LLC, located at 30 East Rittenhouse Mill Road.

Briar Creek Self Storage – A planning commission meeting was held on Tuesday, October 18, 2022, to review the proposed land development plans for Briar Creek Self Storage to construct a 110 storage unit facility. Minutes from the meeting were submitted to council for their information.

No further business. Meeting was adjourned at 7:39PM.

Respectfully submitted:
Carol A Kieser, Borough Manager