

**New Beaver Borough
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
January 9, 2023**

The New Beaver Borough Council held its regular meeting, January 9, 2023 in the Municipal Building on Wampum-New Galilee Road. President D. Hairhoger called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

M. Kingman led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was read with the following present:

President D. Hairhoger, Councilpersons: M. Kingman, J. Gubish, D. Badger, B. Majors and P. Morrison, Mayor R. Crawford, Solicitor R. Long and Secretary/Treasurer D. Crawford.

V.P. T. Hairhoger was absent.

D. Badger motioned to accept the minutes of the December 12, 2022 Planning Committee meeting, P. Morrison seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

P. Morrison motioned to accept the minutes of the December 12, 2022 regular Council meeting, D. Badger seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

D. Badger motioned to accept the bill list, P. Morrison seconded. ROLL CALL: D. HAIRHOGGER, KINGMAN, GUBISH, BADGER, MAJORS and MORRISON-YES.
Motion carried, 6-0.

D. Badger motioned to accept the Treasurer's Reports, J. Gubish seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

Visitors: Bruce Hairhoger of Possum Hollow Road attended without comment.

Solicitor Report: Solicitor Long provided ordinances relating to rental properties, short term rentals like Air BnB and disorderly house for consideration.

Mayor Report: Mayor Crawford requested that Council consider hiring another part time police officer as the budgeted hours are not being used. **D. Badger motioned for the Mayor to speak with Officer Garver and line up interviews for the personnel committee, P. Morrison seconded.** Motion carried, 6-0.

Committee Reports

Road: P. Morrison advised Council that he is working on finding an alternative repair shop to John Deere to look at the 2012 John Deere clutch problem.

D. Badger motioned to send surveys out to residents along Glenkirk Road and off shoot roads to determine if we can apply for CDBG funds, J. Gubish seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

Ordinance: D. Badger advised that the animals in residential districts ordinance is almost ready to be put into a typed format.

D. Badger advised Council that he is reviewing Little Beaver Township's solar ordinance provided by Solicitor Long. The Secretary will get a copy and share it with all of Council at the February meeting. Solicitor Long said that he would like to make sure that the ordinance has sufficient surety and bond requirements.

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Fire/Police: D. Badger motioned to accept the New Beaver Borough Volunteer Fire Department's 2023 events as follows; Gun Bash, Free Food, Elections, Graduation Parties, Weddings, Anniversaries, Birthdays, Rentals, Meetings, Raffles, All Trainings, Pizza, Halloween Party, Wampum Christmas Parade and Monthly Calendar Tickets, J. Gubish seconded.

Motion carried, 6-0.

Old Business:

P. Morrison motioned to pass a resolution to participate in the PennDOT Agility Program, M. Kingman seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

No discussions took place on a potential amusement tax.

New Business:

M. Kingman motioned to accept the McCB Farm LP sub-division as submitted, P. Morrison seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

Solicitor Long suggested that no official action be taken with regard to the Stonecrest Land Development plan at this time.

Solicitor Long spoke with Lawrence Maiello, attorney for Stonecrest Developers, and explained that the Borough would not be accepting any responsibility for the light facilities without an agreement in place that ensures that the Borough does not incur any costs related to the light.

Solicitor Long's opinion is that, at this time, New Beaver Borough businesses and residents, except the Stonecrest Development, will not be able to tie into the Wampum Sewage Facility.

D. Badger motioned to renew with PIRMA for March 2023-March 2024 for \$16,526.00, P. Morrison seconded. ROLL CALL: KINGMAN, GUBISH, BADGER, MAJORS, MORRISON and D. HAIRHOGGER -YES. Motion carried, 6-0.

Council will wait until February 2023 to determine the amount of salt to commit to through CoStars for the August 1, 2023 through July 31, 2024 period.

D. Badger motioned to contract with Aiken Refuse for Clean Up Day to be held April 22, 2023, at a cost not to exceed \$3,400.00, J. Gubish seconded. ROLL CALL: GUBISH, BADGER, MAJORS, MORRISON, D. HAIRHOGGER and KINGMAN - YES. Motion carried, 6-0.

P. Morrison motioned to re-appoint D. Badger as the PSAB voting delegate and M. Kingman as the alternate, J. Gubish seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

P. Morrison motioned to pass Resolution 1-2023 re-appointing Michael Swanik as the Vacancy Board Chairperson, D. Badger seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

D. Badger motioned to pass Resolution 2-2023, re-appointing Drita L. Crawford as primary delegate and Mayor Robert M. Crawford as secondary delegate to the Lawrence County Tax Collection Committee, P. Morrison seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

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P. Morrison motioned to pass Resolution 3-2023 re-appointing Jeff Richardson of Richardson Inspection Services as the Borough's Floodplain Administrator, D. Badger seconded.

Motion carried, 6-0.

P. Morrison motioned to pass Resolution 4-2023, re-appointing Drita L. Crawford as the Open Records Officer, D. Badger seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

M. Kingman motioned to pass Resolution 5-2023 re-appointing Daniel Norge as a member to the Tri County Board of Appeals, D. Badger seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

J. Gubish motioned to re-appoint R.A.R. Engineering as the Borough's engineer, P. Morrison seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

D. Badger motioned to re-appoint Michael Groves of A G-Squared Services LLC as the Sewage Enforcement Officer, P. Morrison seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

D. Badger motioned to re-appoint Richardson Inspection Services as the Borough's Zoning, Building Storm Water Management and Property Maintenance Officer, P. Morrison seconded.

Motion carried, 6-0.

Correspondence:

Council received Act 14 Notification from Hemlock Hills (Green Meadows MHP) regarding their application for reissuance of a NPDES permit.

Meetings:

D. Badger will be attending the June 4-7, 2023 PSAB Annual Conference in Hershey as a paid guest of PSAB.

Miscellaneous:

Resolutions are due PSAB by April 5, 2023.

Election 2023 Dates to Remember were shared with Council.

Financial Statement forms were distributed to all and are due back by May 1, 2023.

Permits: Permits issued by Richardson Inspection Services were shared with Council.

P. Morrison motioned to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:43 p.m., J. Gubish seconded.

Motion carried, 6-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Drita L. Crawford
Secretary/Treasurer