

**New Beaver Borough
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
September 9, 2024**

The New Beaver Borough Council held its regular meeting on September 9, 2024 in the Municipal Building on Wampum-New Galilee Road. President D. Hairhoger called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. D. Badger led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was read with the following present: President D. Hairhoger, V.P. T. Hairhoger, Councilpersons: M. Kingman, J. Gubish, D. Badger and P. McConnell, Mayor R. Crawford and Secretary/Treasurer D. Crawford. Solicitor R. Long attended via phone. P. Morrison was absent.

T. Hairhoger motioned to accept the minutes of the August 12, 2024 regular Council meeting, D. Badger seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

T. Hairhoger motioned to accept the bill list, D. Badger seconded. ROLL CALL: D. HAIRHOGER, (excepting his lawn cutting wages), T. HAIRHOGER, KINGMAN, GUBISH, BADGER and MCCONNELL - YES. Motion carried, 6-0.

D. Badger motioned to accept the Treasurer's Reports, T. Hairhoger seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

Visitors:

Jarett Svihra of Mines and Meadows ATV/RV Park shared that they are holding a Trunk or Treat at the campground and would like to offer borough residents the opportunity to both bring their children to the event and set up their own vehicles and give out candy. **P. McConnell motioned to work with Jarett on the event, D. Badger seconded.** Motion carried, 6-0. Jarett will share a flyer to be put on the borough website.

Jarett Svihra also shared that the park was awarded a grant for restrooms and to make changes to become ADA compliant. He mentioned that he received a loan to match the grant as well.

The Olayers attended to see if any progress had been made toward fixing the dip on Wampum-New Galilee Road. D. Hairhoger advised that the engineers are working on it.

William Jackson wanted to say thank you to the road crew for doing a good job keeping the roads trimmed back. James Olayer agreed that they do a great job.

Barbara Majors, Cheryl Koncewicz and Mary Stuck attended without comment.

Solicitor Report: None

Mayor Report: None

Committee Reports

Road:

J. Gubish motioned to sign the Tempo Freight release in order to receive the \$2,800.00 in damages to Clyde Street and to have the borough's public works department fix the road damage, T. Hairhoger seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

R.A.R. Engineering is working on a way to fix the dip on Wampum-New Galilee Road.

Council was told that an estimate of \$6,800.00 was received to dig up the material on Patterson Road East and to recompact it. Council felt that this would not resolve the issue at the site if we experience heavy rain again and that a cross pipe is needed.

J. Gubish motioned to not repair Patterson Road East until a cross pipe is approved by the property owner, T. Hairhoger seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

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Darlington Township needs the road plate that we borrowed for use on Patterson Road West back.

D. Badger motioned to buy a 6" x 10' road plate for a cost of not more than \$1,969.00 if D. Hairhoger cannot borrow another one from someone, T. Hairhoger seconded. ROLL CALL: T. HAIRHOGER, KINGMAN, GUBISH, BADGER, MCCONNELL and D. HAIRHOGER - YES. Motion carried, 6-0

Council was advised that R.A.R. Engineering is working on options on how to fix the Patterson Road West culvert and on what can be done to alleviate the flooding on Old Route 18 North.

Council received an email from Freddy Smith of Conservation regarding an option to repair Britton School Road, south of Edwards Road.

The John Deere 6105 boom mower is out of service again.

J. Gubish motioned to ask Sensenig of Leetonia to come diagnose the boom mower and provide an estimate for repair, T. Hairhoger seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

Ordinance:

Council was given a draft burning ordinance for review. **D. Badger motioned to have Solicitor Long advertise the ordinance, T. Hairhoger seconded.** Motion carried, 6-0.

T. Hairhoger motioned for D. Badger to meet with Solicitor Long to work on revisions to the solar ordinance, P. McConnell seconded. Motion carried, 6-0. Windmills may be considered as well.

Adult entertainment, microbreweries, grass cutting and rowdy house ordinances are also being considered.

Police/Fire:

D. Badger motioned to take the 2016 police vehicle to Tom's garage for repair for a cost of \$570.89, J. Gubish seconded. ROLL CALL: KINGMAN, GUBISH, BADGER, MCCONNELL, D. HAIRHOGER and T. HAIRHOGER - YES. Motion carried, 6-0.

Decal mock up and pricing for the 2016 police vehicle is pending.

D. Badger motioned to sell the 2010 police vehicle to Brickyard for \$450.00, J. Gubish seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

Recreation:

P. McConnell said he has been in contact with Tanya LeFebvre regarding the Halloween party and that she is looking for help. Request for help will be made when the party details are posted to the website.

Budget:

Budget committee meeting to be held on Wednesday, October 23 at 7:00 p.m.

Personnel:

M. Kingman motioned to increase V. Proya's hourly rate by \$.50 effective September 23, 2024, T. Hairhoger seconded. ROLL CALL: GUBISH, BADGER, MCCONNELL, D. HAIRHOGER, T. HAIRHOGER and KINGMAN- YES. Motion carried, 6-0.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Council was advised that the August 1, 2024-July 31, 2025 CoStars salt contract for 100 tons will be at a cost of \$76.51 per ton.

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The Winter Maintenance 5-year renewal contract for Route 168 and Darlington Road was shared with Council.

M. Kingman motioned to pass the resolution allowing Borough officials to sign the agreement and then to sign the agreement and forward to PennDOT, T. Hairhoger seconded.

Motion carried, 6-0.

Discussion on a potential amusement tax took place. No action was taken.

Correspondence: None

Meetings/Webinars/Conferences:

Council was reminded that the County Planning Department would be holding their monthly meeting in our municipal building on Wednesday, September 11, 2024 from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Permits:

Council was advised that 1 building/zoning permit was issued since the last meeting.

M. Kingman motioned to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:15 p.m., J. Gubish seconded.

Motion carried, 6-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Drita L. Crawford
Secretary/Treasurer