

**BOROUGH OF WIND GAP
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The Council meeting of the Borough of Wind Gap on Monday, December 6, 2021, was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Council President Dave Hess, at which time he reminded those present that the meeting was being recorded. In attendance were Council members George Hinton, Joyce McGarry, Mike Laudano, David Manzo, Jeff Yob, and Steve Bender. Also in attendance were Mayor Mitchell D. Mogilski, Sr., Borough Solicitor Ronald Karasek, Borough Engineer Brian Pysner and Borough Manager Louise Firestone.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were heard at this time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion by Dave Manzo to approve the November 16, 2021 minutes and seconded by Steve Bender. Roll call vote taken. Council agreed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF EXPENSES

On motion by Jeff Yob to approve the expenses in the amount of \$34,176.77 and seconded by Dave Manzo. Roll call vote taken. Council agreed unanimously.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

MEETINGS ATTENDED:

November 1, 2021 - attendance at regular monthly meeting of Borough Council.

November 16, 2021 - attendance at regular mid-month meeting of Borough Council.

SUBDIVISION MATTERS: None

LAND DEVELOPMENT MATTERS:

Preparation and/or Return of Signed SALDO Waiver Recommendation for Thirteen (13) SALDO Waivers Form and Extension of Time for Official Action Form forwarding e-mail from Applicant's Attorney – Ronald Corkery, Esquire re PA Venture Capital, Inc/Exchange 6, LLC.

ZONING AND OTHER LAND USE MATTERS:

Receipt, Review and Administration of e-mails to/from Borough Z.O. , Computer Search on County website for Deed and Tax Information, Review of the Borough zoning Ordinance, Comprehensive e-mail re 253 North Broadway: Pre-Existing and Non-Conforming Use.

Receipt, Review and Administration of e-mails to/from Borough Z.O., Borough EIT, Computer Search on County website for Deed and Tax Information, Comprehensive e-mails and ZOOM Meeting re Huratiak Application for 2-Family Dwelling on Woodward Avenue.

Meeting with Slate Belt Regional Police Force Chief Hoadley, Borough Manager Firestone and Councilman Manzo re Revisions to On-Street Parking Ordinance.

DEVELOPMENTS ON OUTSTANDING LITIGATION: None

COURT DECISIONS ON BOROUGH CASES: None

MISCELLANEOUS:

Preparation of both the Borough Ordinance No 513 along with Advertising Notice, e-mail advertisement to Express-Times, Enclosure Correspondence to County Law Library and Express-Times with copy of the Ordinance re 2022 Real Estate Tax Millage.

Preparation of both the Borough Ordinance No 514 along with Advertising Notice, e-mail advertisement to Express-Times, Enclosure Correspondence to County Law Library and Express-Times with copy of the Ordinance re On-Street Parking.

Preparation of Monthly Solicitor's Report.

Outstanding Items:

Stop Sign Ordinance

Dog Park Ordinance

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Brian Pysher reported that the JERC warehouse is ongoing. They patched in Male Road and they installed the curbing and sidewalk a few weeks ago. Last week they patched in the paving. He has been in touch with Joe Correia from Petrucci, and Bowler Engineering. The survey crew was out and located what exists of the emergency access up at the former Silverline property and how they had manipulated it. They have a proposal to re-route it within the documented easement. They did that by utilizing templates that had derived from the measurement of our ladder truck. He went over this with George Hinton before the meeting and he will be in touch with Joe Correia to see when they are going to schedule their construction crew to reinstall that. He has not gotten much clarification from Plainfield Township. As part of all those improvements, Silverline had obtained permitting, he is not sure what that permitting is for. Plainfield has been involved with all the correspondence so hopefully within the next month or two they will have the emergency access all sorted out.

He was contacted by Justin Huratiak from Dream Lehigh Valley; they are looking for their last draw. There was a little bit of paving that needed to be done, the one basin needed to be corrected. He advised him to write a letter to the Borough requesting that as described in the Ordinance. He does not believe the Borough received that; he has not gotten a copy of that. This may be on the agenda for upcoming meetings.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Enact Ordinance No. 513 – 2022 Tax

On motion by Dave Manzo enact Ordinance No. 513 – 2022 Tax and seconded by Joyce McGarry. Roll call vote taken. In favor: G. Hinton, D. Manzo, J. McGarry, M. Laudano, D. Hess. Opposed: J. Yob, S. Bender. Motion carries 5 – 2.

2. Enact Ordinance No, 514 – Parking Prohibitions

On motion by Dave Manzo to enact Ordinance No. 514 – Parking Violations and seconded by George Hinton. Roll call vote taken. Council agreed unanimously.

Dave Hess said that the Slate Belt Regional Police Department will start enforcement after the new year, but will be using the last few weeks of this month to advertise the enforcement of the new parking violation ordinance.

3. Freedom of Speech – Dave Manzo stated that he will continue to inquire and question anyone who is paid with Borough funds for work being done on behalf of the Borough and he will not be shut down from asking those questions.

4. **On motion** by Jeff Yob to advertise January 3rd 2022 as our first meeting of the year which will also be our reorganization meeting and seconded by Dave Manzo. Roll call vote taken. Council agreed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

No outstanding Old Business was discussed at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Dave Manzo to adjourn the meeting of December 6, 2021. Council agreed unanimously. The meeting of December 6, 201 adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Louise Firestone, Borough Manager