

An Organizational Meeting of the Donora Borough Council was held on January 3, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chamber of the Donora Municipal Complex. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Donald Pavelko and following the Pledge of Allegiance, the following members were present: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Thompson. Also present were, Borough Solicitor Steven Toprani, Street Department Supervisor Michael Petroske, Superintendent James Brice and Borough Administrator Terri Petroske.

**Opening of Bids**

None

**Public Address:**

None

**Finance**

None

**Health, Sanitation and Code Enforcement**

None

**Recreation**

None

**Community Affairs and Municipal Building**

None

**Highways and Streets**

None

**Public Safety**

None

**President of Council**

None

**Mayor**

None

**Public Officials**

The Honorable Judge Mark Wilson administers the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Constitutional Oath of Office to Mayor elect, Donald Pavelko.

The Honorable Judge Mark Wilson administers the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Constitutional Oath of Office to Council elect members. Fred Berestecky, Cynthia Brice, Michael McDowell and Thomas Thompson.

The Honorable Judge Mark Wilson administers the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Constitutional Oath of Office to Donora Borough Tax Collector, Susan Vitalbo.

Mayor, Donald Pavelko, requests a motion to nominate and to name a Council member to be President of Donora Borough Council. Councilman, Mr. Greco nominated Councilman Michael McDowell as President of Council. A vote was taken to call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Thompson (6) Nays: (0): Absent: (0): Motion carried.

Mayor Donald Pavelko requests a motion to nominate and to name a Council member to be Vice President of Donora Borough Council. Councilman Mr. Lawson nominated Councilman Joseph Greco, Councilman Joseph Greco nominated Councilman Fred Berestesky. Councilman Mr. Greco declined position to be Vice President. Councilman Mr. Berestesky accepted. A vote was taken to call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Thompson (6) Nays: (0): Absent: (0): Motion carried.

Council President Michael McDoweJJ made a motion to have a councilman name a Council member to be President-Pro Tern of the Donora Borough Council who wiJJ preside in absence of the President and Vice President if a quorum is present. Councilman Mr. Greco nominated Councilman Mr. Edward Lawson, Councilman Lawson declined position, and Councilman Mr. Greco nominated Councilman Mr. Thomas Thompson. Councilman Thompson declined position. Councilwoman Cynthia Brice nominated Councilman Joseph Greco. Councilman Greco accepted. A vote was taken to call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. McDowell. (5): Nays: Mr. Thompson (1): Absent: (0): Motion carried.

Council President Michael McDowe11 request a motion to reappoint the following Borough Officials:

Councilwoman Mrs. Brice asked since all the appointments are employees why couldn't they all be done together instead of individually. Solicitor Steve Toprani said it can be done.

Councilman Mr. Greco made a motion to reappoint the following Borough Official: Second by Mr. Lawson: Borough Administrator/Secretary/Treasurer-Terri Petroske, Superintendent of Police James Brice, Building & Street Commissioner-Michael Petroske, Code Enforcement-Michele Harris, Fire Chief-Patsy Vince and Solicitor for the Borough- Steven Toprani. A vote was taken to call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Thompson (5) Nays: (0): Abstain: Mrs. Brice (1): Absent: (0): Motion carried.

Councilman Mr. Berestecky made a motion to reappoint the following Borough official: Engineer for the Borough-Gannett Fleming. Second by Mr. Lawson: A vote was taken to call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Thompson (6) Nays: (0): Absent: (0): Motion carried.

Councilman Mr. Greco made a motion to reappoint the following Borough Official: Right-to-Know-Officer-Terri Petroske. Second by Councilman Lawson. A vote was taken to call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Thompson (6) Nays: (0): Absent: (0): Motion carried.

Councilman Mr. Lawson made a motion to authorize the President of Council and the Borough Administrator/Secretary/Treasurer to sign all checks and to authorize the Vice President of Council to sign all checks in the absence of the President of Council or the Borough Administrator/Secretary/Treasurer. Second by Mr. Berestecky. A vote was taken to call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Thompson (6) Nays: (0): Absent: (0): Motion carried.

Councilman Mr. Lawson made a motion to reappoint PNC Bank of Monongahela Office as the primary major depository for all of the funds of the Borough and the PNC Bank of the Rostraver Township Office as the secondary major depository for all the funds of the Borough. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Thompson (6) Nays: (0): Absent: (0): Motion carried.

**Old Business**

**New Business**

**Non-Agenda Items**

**ADJOURNMENT: 12:25 PM**

The Regular Meeting of the Donora Borough Council was held on January 13, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chamber of the Donora Municipal Complex. The meeting was called to order by Council President Michael McDowell and following the Pledge of Allegiance, the following members were present: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Thompson. Also present were, Mayor Donald Pavelko, Borough Solicitor Steven Toprani, Code Enforcement Officer Michele Harris, Street Department Supervisor Michael Petroske, Fire Chief Patsy Vince, Superintendent James Brice and Borough Administrator Terri Petroske.

### **Opening of Bids**

### **Public Address-Agenda Items:**

### **New Business**

Mr. Greco requested change of order of the agenda to present a plaque to Braydon Wilcher for his swing project at Palmer Park.

Mr. Berestecky made a motion to nominate Jane Ackerman to council seat. Mr. Berestecky stated that Mrs. Ackerman has not taken her stipend and has given the money back to the Community and has been resourceful to the finance committee. Second by Mr. Lawson. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. McDowell. (4): Nays: Mrs. Brice. Mr. Thompson (2): Absent: (0): Motion carried. Mrs. Brice and Mr. Thompson felt that Matt Vitalbo should have been put on council since he had more votes during the General election. Mayor Donald Pavelko administers the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Constitutional Oath of office to Council member elect P. Jane Ackerman.

### **Minutes**

Council President Mr. McDowell requested a motion to approve minutes from December 9, 2021. Mr. Berestecky made a motion to accept the minutes. Seconded by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. McDowell. (5): Nays: Mrs. Brice. (1): Absent: (0): Abstained: Mr. Thompson (1). Motion carried. Executive Session was held on January 13, 2022 for legal & personnel matters.

### **Finance**

Mrs. Ackerman read the Bill Report and made a motion to accept the Bill Report for the month of December 2021. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. McDowell. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: (0): Abstained: Mr. Thompson: (1). Motion carried.

Mrs. Ackerman read the Payroll Report for the month of December 2021.

Mrs. Ackerman read the Treasurers Report and made a motion to accept the Treasurer Report for the month of December 2021. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. McDowell. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: (0): Abstained: Mr. Thompson (1). Motion carried.

Mrs. Ackerman read the Tax Collector's Report and made a motion to accept the Tax Collector's Report for the month of December 2021. Second by Mr. Berestecky. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. McDowell. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: (0): Abstained: Mr. Thompson: (1). Motion carried.

### **Health, Sanitation and Code Enforcement**

Mr. Berestecky read the Sanitation Report for the month of December 2021.

Mr. Berestecky read the Code Enforcement Report for the month of December 2021.

Mr. Berestecky read the Landlord Registration & Occupancy Reports for the month of December 2021.

Mr. Berestecky made motion to appoint Thomas Thompson as the Borough's representative of the Mon Valley Sewage Board of Director's for a 5 year term ending December 31, 2026. Second by Mrs. Brice. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. Thompson. (5): Nays: Mrs. Ackerman and Mr. McDowell (2): Absent: (0): Motion carried.

Mr. Berestecky made an announcement that the Borough is accepting letters for a vacancy on the Planning Commission. Letters will be accepted until position is filled.

### **Recreation**

Mrs. Brice read the Palmer Park Report for the month of December 2021.

Mrs. Brice made a motion to approve Community Development Block Grant Covid funds from the Redevelopment Authority of County of Washington for a recreation improvement project in Palmer Park. The project will consist of exercise stations and the installation of up to 2 pavilions. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0): Motion carried.

### **Community Affairs and Municipal Building**

Mr. Lawson read the Banquet Hall Report for the month of December 2021

### **Highways and Streets**

### **Public Safety**

Mr. Greco read the Police Report for the month of December 2021.

Mr. Greco made a motion to hire Dana Harris as a Full Time Officer effective January 13, 2022. Pending start day of February 2022. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. McDowell. (6): Nays: Mr. Thompson. (1): Absent: (0): Abstain: (0) Motion carried.

Mr. Greco made a motion to hire Raymond Johnson as Part Time patrolman, no benefits, pending background check effective January 13, 2022. Second by Mr. Berestecky. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0): Motion carried.

### **President of Council**

No Report

### **Mayor**

Mayor Pavelko spoke about hiring of Dana Harris. Great addition to the department and will help alleviate overtime.

### **Public Officials**

**Mr. Brice-** No report

**Mr. Vince-**No Report

**Mr. Petroske-**No Report

**Mrs. Harris-**No Report

**Mr. Toprani-** No. Report

### **Old Business**

### **Non-Agenda Items**

**ADJOURNMENT: 6:38 PM**

The Regular Meeting of the Donora Borough Council was held on February 10 2022 at 6:00 P.M. in the Borough Social Hall of the Donora Municipal Complex. The meeting was called to order by Council President Michael McDowell and following the Pledge of Allegiance, the following members were present: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Thompson. Also present were, Mayor Donald Pavelko, Borough Solicitor Steven Toprani, Code Enforcement Officer Michele Harris, Superintendent James Brice and Chief Neal Rands. Absent: Street Department Supervisor Michael Petroske, Fire Chief Patsy Vince, and Borough Administrator Terri Petroske.

### **Opening of Bids**

#### **Public Address:**

Philip Pagliari of 135 Castner spoke with council about his interest in filling a vacancy on one of the boards.

Carl Vehouc of 1379 Gilmore spoke with council about the coal trucks, coal dust and speeding of the trucks.

Roderick Wilson of 481 Seventh Street spoke with council about the coal trucks, the old Donora Webster Bridge, Mrs. Ackerman being re-appointed after losing the election and Superintendent Brice.

Cindy Burns of 712 Waddell Ave spoke with council about roach infested house at 709 Waddell Ave.

Kathy Sabatini spoke with council about having a bridge again, federal grant money. She congratulated the street department on the removal of the snow.

Kevin Davis of 1299 McKean Ave complained to council on how the Civil Service test was conducted.

### **Minutes**

Council President Mr. McDowell requested a motion to approve minutes from January 3, 2022. Mr. Berestecky made a motion to accept the minutes. Seconded by Mr. Lawson. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: Mrs. Brice. (1): Absent: (0). Motion carried. Executive Session was held prior to the meeting to discuss legal & personnel matters.

### **Finance**

Mrs. Ackerman read the Bill Report and made a motion to accept the Bill Report for the month of January 2022. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mrs. Ackerman read the Payroll Report for the month of January 2022.

Mrs. Ackerman read the Treasurers Report and made a motion to accept the Treasurer Report for the month of January 2022. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mrs. Ackerman read the Tax Collector's Report and made a motion to accept the Tax Collector's Report for the month of January 2022. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-1 Fee Schedule. Second by Joseph Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-2 Tax Collector Bond. Second by Mr. Berestecky.. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to approve the renewal of the Auditor Agreement required by the DCED/Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the year 2021-2023. Second by Mr. Lawson.. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

### **Health, Sanitation and Code Enforcement**

Mrs. Brice read the Sanitation Report for the month of January 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Code Enforcement Report for the month of January 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Landlord Registration & Occupancy Reports for the month of January 2022.

### **Recreation**

Mr. Thompson read the Palmer Park Report for the month of January 2022.

### **Community Affairs and Municipal Building**

Mr. Berestecky read the Banquet Hall Report for the month of January 2022.

Mr. Berestecky made a motion to approve a rental extension until 2 a.m. for the All Class Reunion held on July 16, 2022 in the Borough Social Hall. Second by Mr. Lawson. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

### **Highways and Streets**

Mr. Lawson made a motion to approve a curb cut at 134 Ida Avenue to install a carport with a parking pad. No second. Motion failed.

Mr. Lawson made a motion to approve adding Tanner Brice to the Auxiliary Plow Driver List. Second by Mr. Berestecky. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: (0) Abstained: Mrs. Brice (1). Motion carried.

### **Public Safety**

Mr. Greco read the Police Report for the month of January 2022.

Mr. Greco made a motion to approve the promotion of Michael Parry to Lieutenant effective February 12, 2022. Motion was tabled.

Mr. Greco made a motion to approve the purchase of a License Plate Reader System/I year subscription from Security Consulting Solutions, Inc. for \$2,200.00. Motion was tabled.

**President of Council**

Motion to terminate the board membership for the following boards: Park and Recreation, Police Civil Service, Zoning and Planning Commission. Motion was tabled. Motion to accept letters of interest for vacancies on the following boards: Park and Recreation, Police Civil Service, Zoning and Planning Commission through March 2, 2022. Mail or bring letters to the Administration Office at 630 Meldon Avenue, Donora, PA 15033. Motion was tabled. President McDowell stated additional study needs to be performed. Mrs. Brice stated that calls were made to current Board members to determine interest in continued service.

**Mayor**

Mayor Pavelko spoke about how Code Enforcement is a thankless job. He indicated several years ago Senators talked about the blighting problem in Donora and here (6) Six years later nothing has happen. He also spoke about the coal trucks and that it's a State road and Commerce will always make the decision on a State road.

**Public Officials**

**Mr. Brice-** No report  
**Mr. Vince-**No Report  
**Mr. Petroske-**No Report  
**Mrs. Harris-**No Report  
**Mr. Toprani-** No. Report

**Old Business****New Business****Non-Agenda Items**

**ADJOURNMENT: 6:38 PM**

The Regular Meeting of the Donora Borough Council was held on March 10 2022 at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Donora Municipal Complex. The meeting was called to order by Council President Michael McDowell and following the Pledge of Allegiance, the following members were present: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Thompson. Also present were, Mayor Donald Pavelko, Borough Solicitor Steven Toprani, Code Enforcement Officer Michele Harris, Superintendent James Brice, Chief Neal Rands, Street Department Supervisor Michael Petroske, Fire Chief Patsy Vince, and Borough Administrator Terri Petroske.

### **Opening of Bids**

### **Minutes**

Council President Mr. McDowell requested a motion to approve minutes from February 10 2022. Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to accept the minutes. Seconded by Mr. Lawson. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: Mrs. Brice. (1): Absent: (0). Motion carried. Executive Session was held on February 28, 2022 to discuss personnel matters. Motion to accept letters of interest for vacancies on the following boards, Park and Recreation, Police Civil Service, Zoning, and Planning Commission. Mail or bring letters to the Administration office at 603 Meldon Avenue, Donora, PA 15033 by April 1, 2022. No Second.

### **Finance**

Mrs. Ackerman read the Bill Report and made a motion to accept the Bill Report for the month of February 2022. Second by Mr. Lawson. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mrs. Ackerman read the Payroll Report for the month of February 2022.

Mrs. Ackerman read the Treasurers Report and made a motion to accept the Treasurer Report for the month of February 2022. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-3 Municipality Certifying Provision of Local Match for State Operating Financial Assistance and authorizing payment of \$3,037.00 in order to match state funds provided pursuant to 74 Pa. C.S. Section 1513 in the Fiscal Year 2022-2023.. Second by Joseph Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

### **Health, Sanitation and Code Enforcement**

Mrs. Brice read the Sanitation Report for the month of February 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Code Enforcement Report for the month of February 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Landlord Registration & Occupancy Reports for the month of February 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Street Opening Reports for the month of February 2022.

Mrs. Brice made an announcement that if you have any issues with the garbage hauler to please call the Borough Office to report any concerns.



**Recreation**

Mr. Thompson read the Palmer Park Report for the month of February 2022.

Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve Salvation Army request for the use of Palmer Park for an Easter Egg Hunt which will be held on Sunday, April 10, 2022 from 1pm-2:30 pm. Also for a Community Day at Palmer Park on Saturday August 20, 2022 from 7am-6pm. Event will start at 10am. Second by Mrs. Brice. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve Pillar of Faith Church request for the use of Donner Park for an outdoor service on June 3<sup>rd</sup> and June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Second by Mr. Berestecky. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve Kare for my Kids & the Valley Remnant Church for use of Donner Park for an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 16, 2022 from 1pm-4pm. Second by Mr. Lawson. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-4 Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Palmer Park Dek Hockey Rink grant for the purpose of carrying out this project. Second by Mr. Berestecky. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

**Community Affairs and Municipal Building**

Mr. Berestecky read the Banquet Hall Report for the month of February 2022.

Mr. Berestecky made a motion to approve seeking an appraisal for the former Donora Elementary Center. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried. Mr. Thompson asked about the fee, Mrs. Petroske said it will be a continuation and will be revaluated and the price will be around \$2,000.

Mr. Berestecky made a motion to approve the purchase of a wireless microphone system from Crystalline Technology for \$1,367.70. Second by Mr. Lawson. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried. Mr. Thompson asked is this the only bid. Mrs. Petroske said she checked online and this was the cheapest, but if Council want her to research further she would.

Mrs. Brice asked if there is a threshold that we're required to get bids. Mrs. Petroske indicated that it was \$11,500 for 2021 for phone bids and \$21,300 & up is required for 2022.

**Highways and Streets**

Mr. Lawson no report

**Public Safety**

Mr. Greco read the Police Report for the month of February 2022.

Mr. Greco made a motion for Resolution 2022-5 Washington County 2022 Hazard Vulnerability Assessment and Mitigation Plan Update. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mr. Greco made a motion to approve various directives. Second by Mr. Berestecky. Mr. Thompson said he didn't know what the directives were and why they weren't on the agenda. Mr. Greco said it was discussed at the executive session, the work session and it's on the agenda. The Mayor Pavelko spoke about the letters that Council wanted Superintendent Brice to write. He said he is the chief law enforcer of the Borough and the Mayor controls the operation of the police and he wasn't having the Superintendent send out threatening letters. Mr. Greco asked how threatening is it to have the state police come in to assist. Mayor Pavelko said he and Superintendent Brice talked with the state police and they don't have the manpower. Mr. Greco asked the Solicitor is this motion a legal bidding motion that he made. The Solicitor stated that council can set policies on directives but the Mayor also has certain responsibility to challenge if he wants to exercise those. Mrs. Brice asked the solicitor did you write the letters, the solicitor stated that far as he knows no one wrote letters. Mr. McDowell to Mr. Thompson didn't you go down to the Donora Terminal. Mrs. Brice stated we were making headway. Mr. McDowell said they haven't slowed down. Mr. Brice said they have. No way shouted Bernard Borkowski only way they slowdown is when the police are there. Mrs. Brice said they have I've been behind them.

Mr. Thompson asked the Solicitor by not putting this directive on the agenda is that even legal that the public doesn't know what the directives are. The Solicitor said we have to state on record of what we're going to vote on, there was a discussion. Mr. Thompson is it legal. The Solicitor stated it can be challenge. Mr. Berestecky said we have a motion on the floor. Mr. Greco said it's been second either vote on it or vote it out. Mr. McDowell said let's vote the motion down and table it. Solicitor said council doesn't have to vote on it they can just table it until they have a special meeting. Scott Nedrow stood up to speak he was asked if he signed up to address council he said no, he was asked to sit down he began to shout about the coal terminal and council.

### **President of Council**

#### **Mayor**

Mayor Pavelko spoke about The Donora River Terminal getting a Street sweeper in the amount of \$350,000. Let's try working with him and keep an open line of communication with him.

#### **Public Officials**

**Mr. Brice-** No report

**Mr. Vince-**No Report

**Mr. Petroske-**No Report

**Mrs. Harris-**No Report

**Mr. Toprani-** No. Report

#### **Old Business**

#### **New Business**

#### **Public Address:**

Kevin Davis of 1299 McKean Ave spoke with council about the Civil Service Committee.

Kelly Balog of 609 First Street spoke with Council about requesting August 13, 2022 for a vendor show from 10am-5pm at 6<sup>th</sup> & Meldon. Last year the vendor show benefit was for the Fire Department this year it will benefit the Park and Recreation Department.

Roderick Wilson of 481 Seventh Street spoke with council about the garbage haulers, getting another bridge, about the police department new hire, the snow removal guys are brilliant and doing a good job.

Arthur Fronzaglio of 405 Fourth Street, Library board member Mark Boyer spoke with Council and the public about the first vehicle electric charging station at the library, the updated bathrooms, ARPA funds, the installation of an elevator in the building, a \$1,000 grant from Walmart to help rebuild the 9th Street Park garden beds. Mrs. Petroske indicated that the Borough can supply mulch. Also Mr. Boyer spoke about the Monongahela/Donora Lion club starting up a Leo club for age 8-18, project startup date will be around May. The Library does rent out their downstairs hall and conference room for events.

Michelle Kitchens of 434 First Street asked about the rescue fund money. If it to be used to help the people in Donora pay their bills.

**Non-Agenda Items**

**ADJOURNMENT: 7:04 PM**

The Regular Meeting of the Donora Borough Council was held on April 14, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Donora Municipal Complex. The meeting was called to order by Council President Michael McDowell and following the Pledge of Allegiance, the following members were present: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Thompson. Also present were, Mayor Donald Pavelko, Borough Solicitor Steven Toprani, Code Enforcement Officer Michele Harris, Superintendent James Brice, Chief Neal Rands, Street Department Supervisor Michael Petroske, and Borough Administrator Terri Petroske.

### **Opening of Bids**

### **President of Council**

Council President Mr. McDowell asked that everyone refrain from texting on their cell phone do to the interference with the microphone.

### **Minutes**

Council President Mr. McDowell requested a motion to approve minutes from March 10 2022. Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to accept the minutes. Seconded by Mr. Lawson. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: Mrs. Brice. (1): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Council President Mr. McDowell requested voting on the nominations for committee vacancies. Mr. McDowell requested a motion to the Planning Commission there's two vacancies and three (3) people applied.

Mr. Greco made a motion to nominate Philip Paglreri for the Planning Commission seat. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried. Mr. Thompson asked are they only allowed to be on one board or can they be on two or three boards. Mrs. Petroske said on planning they can be on two boards.

Mr. Thompson made a motion to nominate Louise Kowall to the Planning Commission. Second by Mrs. Brice. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mr. McDowell requested a motion for the Zoning Board one vacancy, two (2) people applied. Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to nominate Kim Leavor. Second by Mr. Berestecky. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mr. McDowell requested a motion for the three (3) Seats on Police Civil Service Board.

Mr. Greco made a motion to nominate Brian Pivovernik. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. McDowell. (5): Nays: Mrs. Brice and Mr. Thompson (2): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mrs. Brice made a motion to nominate Kevin Davis. Second by Mr. Thompson. . A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Brice and Mr. Thompson (2): Nays: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. McDowell. (5): Absent: (0). Motion failed.

Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to nominate Joseph Greco. Second by Mr. Lawson  
A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. McDowell. (5): Nays: Mrs. Brice and Mr. Thompson (2): Absent: (0). Motion carried. Mrs. Brice said she didn't think that this is a good idea. She thought council agreed that no council person should be on a board. She told Mrs. Ackerman in all reality she should not be allowed to vote.

Mr. Thompson made a motion to nominate Carol Soltes. Second by Mrs. Brice. . A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Brice and Mr. Thompson (2): Nays: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. McDowell. (5): Absent: (0). Motion failed.

Mr. Berestecky made a motion to nominate Gilbert Szakal. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. McDowell. (5): Nays: Mrs. Brice and Mr. Thompson (2): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Superintendent Brice said that there can be two alternative on the Civil Service Board. Mr. McDowell said yes and that will be determine by the committee at a later date. Mayor Pavelko said he thought council chooses the alternative.

### **Finance**

Mrs. Ackerman read the Bill Report and made a motion to accept the Bill Report for the month of March 2022. Second by Mr. Berestecky. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mrs. Ackerman read the Payroll Report for the month of March 2022.

Mrs. Ackerman read the Treasurers Report and made a motion to accept the Treasurer Report for the month of March 2022. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to close the PNC Railroad Checking Account. Second by Mr. Lawson. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried. Mr. Thompson asked the reason for the close. Mrs. Petroske indicated that all the funds are completed.

Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-6 Sale of Borough Property Sixth Street Parcel #240-017-00-04-0023-00. Second by Mr. Berestecky. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-7 Sale of Borough Property Marelda Avenue Parcel #240-010-00-04-0017-00. Second by Mr. Berestecky. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

### **Health, Sanitation and Code Enforcement**

Mrs. Brice read the Sanitation Report for the month of March 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Code Enforcement Report for the month of March 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Landlord Registration & Occupancy Reports for the month of March 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Street Opening Reports for the month of March 2022.

**Recreation**

Mr. Thompson read the Palmer Park Report for the month of March 2022.

**Community Affairs and Municipal Building**

Mr. Berestecky read the Banquet Hall Report for the month of March 2022.

Mr. Berestecky made a motion to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Craft/Vendor Show which will be held on Saturday, August 13, 2022 at 10AM-5PM at 6<sup>th</sup> and McKean. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

**Highways and Streets**

Mr. Lawson made an announcement: There will be a bin for compost and mulch available to the Borough residents. Please check the Borough website for more information.

**Public Safety**

Mr. Greco read the Police Report for the month of March 2022.

Mr. Greco made a motion to approve secondary employment for Officer Dana Harris. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mr. Greco made a motion to sale the Donora Fire Company's 32ft Marine Boat on Municbids. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mr. Greco made a motion to sale 2 Police Crown Victoria's on Municbids. Mrs. Brice asked if anyone on council asked the Superintendent or the Chief about selling these vehicles. After further discussion with Council Mr. Greco rescind his motion.

Mr. Greco spoke about cutting back on overtime and hiring more people. He said there's too many call offs and overtime shifts. Mrs. Brice stated that had we hired police officers 2 years ago we would not have this problem. Mr. McDowell indicated that all police departments nationwide are short on manpower not just Donora.

**President of Council****Mayor**

Mayor Pavelko in 20 years on public service all this complaining about the police department. Mr. Greco stated I question what they do and don't do compare to \$80,000 year salary

**Public Officials**

**Mr. Brice-** No report

**Mr. Vince-**No Report

**Mr. Petroske-**No Report

**Mrs. Harris-**No Report

**Mr. Toprani-** No. Report

**Old Business****New Business**

**Public Address:**

Michelle Kitchens of 434 First Street thanked the Street Department for coming up to help with her household issue. She also spoke about the dog feces in the fields at the park and First Street and the pot holes at 10<sup>th</sup> & Meldon.

Kevin Davis of 1299 McKean Ave spoke with council about having a hidden agenda regarding the Police Civil Service Committee.

Karen Fontanella of 117 Modisette spoke with council about the speeding and a speed bump.

**Non-Agenda Items**

**ADJOURNMENT: 7:04 PM**

A Special Meeting of the Donora Borough Council was held on May 16, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Donora Municipal Complex. The meeting was called to order by Council Vice President Freel Berestecky and following the Pledge of Allegiance, the following members were present: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, and Mr. Thompson. Also present were, Mayor Donald Pavelko, Borough Solicitor Steven Toprani, Superintendent James Brice, Chief Neal Rands, and Borough Administrator Terri Petroske. Absent Mr. Lawson and Mr. McDowell.

### **Opening of Bids**

#### **President of Council**

Council Vice President Mr. Berestecky introduced Bill Gamble who was guest speaker. Mr. Gamble spoke with Council and the public regarding Police Civil Service Board duties and responsibilities.

Mr. Berestecky requested a motion to approve nomination for alternate for Police Civil Service Board. Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to approve nomination for alternate for Police Civil Service Board. Alternates up to 3-6 year term and 3 quorum. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice and Mr. Greco. (4): Nays: Mr. Thompson. (1): Absent: Mr. Lawson and Mr. McDowell: (2). Motion carried.

Mr. Berestecky request a motion to approve a motion to advertise for a commercial exterminator. Mr. Thompson made a motion to advertise for bids from Commercial Exterminators to address rodent infestation throughout town. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, and Mr. Thompson. (5): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. Lawson and Mr. McDowell (2). Motion carried.

### **Minutes**

Council Vice President Mr. Berestecky requested a motion to approve minutes from April 14 2022. Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to accept the minutes. Seconded by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky Mr. Greco, and Mr. Thompson. (4): Nays: Mrs. Brice. (1): Absent: Mr. Lawson and Mr. McDowell: (2). Motion carried.

### **Finance**

Mrs. Ackerman read the Bill Report and made a motion to accept the Bill Report for the month of April 2022. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, and Mr. Thompson. (5): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. Lawson and Mr. McDowell (2). Motion carried.

Mrs. Ackerman read the Payroll Report for the month of April 2022.

Mrs. Ackerman read the Treasurers Report and made a motion to accept the Treasurer Report for the month of April 2022. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco and Mr. Thompson. (5): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. Lawson, and Mr. McDowell (2). Motion carried.

### **Health, Sanitation and Code Enforcement**

Mrs. Brice read the Sanitation Report for the month of April 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Code Enforcement Report for the month of April 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Landlord Registration & Occupancy Reports for the month of April 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Street Opening Reports for the month of April 2022.



Mrs. Brice made a motion to approve the request from the Station to change the contracted commercial garbage hauler from Fayette Waste to another vendor due to dissatisfied with service. Motion was tabled.

### **Recreation**

Mr. Thompson read the Palmer Park Report for the month of April 2022.

Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve DeAnne Pavelko's request for the use of Palmer Park Garde Stage for Summer Concerts one Sunday in June, July, and August and to waive the fee for the use of the stage for this free event. Second by Mrs. Brice. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Brice, and Mr. Thompson. (2): Nays: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky and Mr. Greco (3): Absent: Mr. Lawson, and Mr. McDowell (2). Motion failed.

### **Community Affairs and Municipal Building**

Mr. Berestecky read the Banquet Hall Report for the month of April 2022.

Mr. Berestecky made a motion to advertise for the following position Full-time bookkeeper and part-time office clerk up to 30 hours per week. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, and Mr. Thompson. (4): Nays: Mrs. Brice(!): Absent: Mr. Lawson and Mr. McDowell. (2). Motion carried.

Mr. Berestecky made a motion to approve engineers to evaluate the parking garage water issue. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, and Mr. Thompson. (4): Nays: Mrs. Brice (1): Absent: Mr. Lawson and Mr. McDowell. (2). Motion carried.

### **Highways and Streets**

Mrs. Ackerman motion to approve advertising for summer help approximately 3-5 workers must be 18 years of age or older. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, and Mr. Thompson. (4): Nays: Mrs. Brice (1): Absent: Mr. Lawson and Mr. McDowell. (2). Motion carried.

### **Public Safety**

Mr. Greco read the Police Report for the month of April 2022.

Mr. Greco made a motion to sale 2 Police Crown Victoria's on Municibids. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, and Mr. Greco. (3): Nays: Mrs. Brice and Mr. Thompson (2): Absent: Mr. Lawson and Mr. McDowell. (2). Motion carried.

Mr. Greco made a motion to accept resignation letter submit by Council Edward Lawson. Second by Mrs. Ackerman A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, and Mr. Thompson. (5): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. Lawson and Mr. McDowell. (2). Motion carried.

### **Mayor**

#### **Public Officials**

**Mr. Brice-** No report

**Mr. Vince-**No Report

**Mr. Petroske-**No Report

**Mrs. Harris-**No Report

**Mr. Toprani-** No. Report

### **Old Business**

**New Business**

**ANNOUNCEMENT:** All voters that use the precinct at the church on 10<sup>th</sup> and Thompson must go to the Cro Club located at 4<sup>th</sup> & Castner Avenue for the Tuesday, May 7, 2022 Primary Election.

**Public Address:**

Scott Nedrow spoke with Council

Kevin Davis of 1299 McKean Ave spoke with council about the Police Civil Service Committee.

Karen Fontanella of 117 Modisette spoke with council.

**Non-Agenda Items**

**ADJOURNMENT: 7:48 PM**

The Regular Meeting of the Donora Borough Council was held on June 9, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Donora Municipal Complex. The meeting was called to order by Council President Michael McDowell and following the Pledge of Allegiance, the following members were present: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, and Mr. Thompson. *Also* present were, Mayor Donald Pavelko, Borough Solicitor Steven Toprani, Superintendent James Brice, and Chief Neal Rands. Absent: Mr. Greco.

### **Opening of Bids**

Vermin Extermination Bids

### **President of Council**

Council President Mr. Michael McDowell requested nominations for vacant council seat. Mrs. Brice made a motion to nominate Michael Vitalbo. Second by Mr. Thompson. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Brice and Mr. Thompson (2): Nays: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky and Mr. McDowell (3) Absent: Mr. Greco (1). Motion failed. Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to nominate Gilbert Szakal. Second by Mr. Berestecky. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky and Mr. McDowell. (3) Nays: Mrs. Brice and Mr. Thompson (2): Absent: Mr. Greco (1). Motion carried.

Mr. McDowell announced that Patrolman Keith Charlton retirement effective June 3, 2022.

### **Minutes**

No Minutes available

### **Finance**

No Reports prepared

Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to approve advertising for Borough Administrator Second by Mr. Berestecky. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Thompson. (5): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. Greco. (1). Motion carried.

Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-6 Sale of Borough lot at 227 Waddell Avenue, Parcel 240-020-00-00-0022-00 to Martin Hoak whom agreed to pay all back taxes, water and sewage liens and landfill demo fees. A total of \$4,815.67. Second by Mr. Berestecky. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Thompson. (5): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. Greco. (1). Motion carried.

Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to approve the following purchases using the American Rescue Plan Act Funds: Turnout Gear/helmets for the Fire Dept. \$35,000. Siren Repair \$1,741.91 = \$600.00 for batteries total \$2,341.91, New Police Explorer not to exceed \$48,000. Second by Mr. Berestecky. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Thompson. (5): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. Greco. (1). Motion carried.

### **Health, Sanitation and Code Enforcement**

No reports prepared

### **Recreation**

No reports prepared

Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve The Valley Remnant Church use of First and Castner Lot on Saturday July 2, 2022 from 12pm to 5pm. A vote was taken to the call of

roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Thompson. (5): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. Greco. (1). Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENT: The Donora Fire Company will be having their 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Car Show on Sunday July 17, 2022 from 10 am - 4pm at Palmer Park.

### **Community Affairs and Municipal Building**

No. reports prepared

Mr. Berestecky made a motion to approve the Twinkle Bright Night Committee to hold and End of Summer Street Fair on Saturday August 27, 2002 from 2pm-10pm. They are requesting a street closing on McKean Ave. from 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> Street. There will be food and craft vendors. Children's activities, petting zoo, and fireworks at dusk. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Thompson. (5): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. Greco. (1). Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENT: The Borough is accepting applications for the following office positions. Part time office clerk and full time Bookkeeper.

### **Highways and Streets**

No reports

### **Public Safety**

No Reports prepared.

Mr. Greco made a motion to approve Ordinance #1404 Adopting the Rules and Regulations and Providing for Reestablishment of a Police Civil Service Commission.

### **Mavor**

#### **Public Officials**

**Mr. Brice-** No report

**Mr. Vince-**No Report

**Mr. Petroske-**No Report

**Mrs. Harris-**No Report

**Mr. Toprani-** No. Report

### **Old Business**

### **New Business**

#### **Public Address:**

Sky Delattre spoke with Council about the coal trucks, speeding and the dust

Rita Garde spoke with Council about the music in the park, not to charge bands a fee.

Gibby Gibaciewicz spoke about the Memorial Day service.

Karen Fontanella of 117 Modisette spoke with council about speeding on Modisette and adding a stop sign

Louise Kowall spoke about street sweeper

Scott Nedrow spoke about a committee to sell DEC and a Covid committee

Rich and Mary Perrotta miscellaneous complaint re: civil service, police pension, and advertising of the vacant council position.

Rich Rodriques spoke about the rodents in town.

Michelle Kitchens read letter from Kevin Davis re: civil service appointment & removal.

Carol Soltes spoke about Covid fund

Philip Pagliani spoke about a lot at first & Castner

### **Non-Agenda Items**

**ADJOURNMENT: 8:30 PM**

A Special Meeting of the Donora Borough Council was held on June 20, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Donora Municipal Complex. The meeting was called to order by Council President Michael McDowell and following the Pledge of Allegiance, the following members were present: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. Also present were, Mayor Donald Pavelko, Borough Solicitor Steven Toprani, Superintendent James Brice and Chief Neal Rands. Council President Mr. McDowell left at 6:45.

### **Opening of Bids**

#### **President of Council**

Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to award bid to Aaron Summers of Ehrlich. The exterminator discuss plans for rat infestation. Seconded by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (1): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

Resignation was received by e-mail from Gilbert Szakal Jr. resigning from the Civil Service Board.

Mr. Greco made a motion for vacant alternate civil service seats. Seconded by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Szakal. Mr. Thompson. (1): Nays: Mr. Thompson. (1): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

### **Minutes**

### **Finance**

### **Health, Sanitation and Code Enforcement**

### **Recreation**

### **Community Affairs and Municipal Building**

### **Highways and Streets**

### **Public Safety**

### **President of Council**

### **Mayor**

### **Public Officials**

### **Old Business**

### **New Business**

### **Public Address:**

### **Non-Agenda Items**

**ADJOURNMENT: 7:20 PM**

The Regular Meeting of the Donora Borough Council was held on July 14 2022 at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Donora Municipal Complex. The meeting was called to order by Council Vice President Freel Berestecky and following the Pledge of Allegiance, the following members were present: Mrs. Ackerman, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal, and Mr. Thompson. Also present were, Mayor Donald Pavelko, Borough Solicitor Steven Toprani, Superintendent James Brice, Chief Neal Rands, and Fire Chief Patsy Vince. Absent: Michael McDowell

### **Opening of Bids**

### **Minutes**

### **President of Council**

Mr. Berestecky requested a motion to nominate to hire a Borough Administrator. Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to hire Chris Cunningham as the new Borough Administrator. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: **Mr.** McDowell (1 ). Motion carried.

Mr. Berestecky requested a motion for an alternate for Civil Service Board. Mr. Greco made a motion to nominate Edward Locker as an alternate for the Civil Service Board. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, and Mr. Szakal. (4): Nays: Mrs. Brice and Mr. Thompson (2): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried. Mrs. Brice asked if this was advertised.

Mr. Berestecky requested a motion for the Bookkeeper Position. Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to hire Lewis Morrison Jr. for the Bookkeeper position. Second by Mr. Szakal. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Berestecky requested a motion to return Marsha Lawson to per diem, part-time status at a rate of \$30.00 per hour. Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to return Marsha Lawson to per diem, part-time status. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Berestecky requested a motion to return Terri Petroske to per diem, part-time status. Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to return Terri Petroske per-diem to work with the new Administrator. Mrs. Brice addressed Solicitor Toprani that this would put us in a liability. Mr. Berestecky requested that they go into an executive session to discuss this matter. Mrs. Ackerman withdrew her motion.

Mr. Berestecky requested a motion to hire/appoint outside counsel (new law firm). Mr. Greco made a motion to hire/appoint outside counsel. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. Mrs. Brice asked why we retain an outside attorney law firm we only use during contact talks. Mr. Thompson why do we have a solicitor. Mr. Greco stated these are labor attorneys. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, and Mr. Szakal. (4): Nays: Mrs. Brice and Mr. Thompson (2): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

### **Finance**

Mr. Szakal read the Bill Report and made a motion to accept the Bill Report for the month of June 2022. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Szakal read the Payroll Report for the month of June 2022.

Mr. Szakal read the Treasurers Report and made a motion to accept the Treasurer Report for the month of June 2022. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

### **Health, Sanitation and Code Enforcement**

Mrs. Brice read the Sanitation Report for the month of June 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Code Enforcement Report for the month of June 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Landlord Registration & Occupancy Reports for the month of June 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Street Opening Reports for the month of June 2022.

Mrs. Brice made a motion to advertise for Code Enforcement Officer. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

### **Recreation**

Mr. Thompson read the Palmer Park Report for the month of June 2022.

Mr. Thompson announced about the all Class Reunion and the Fire Department car show.

### **Community Affairs and Municipal Building**

Mrs. Ackerman read the Banquet Hall Report for the month of June 2022.

### **Highways and Streets**

Mr. Berestecky made a motion to approve stop sign at Modisett and Walnut Street. Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to approve stop sign, study and survey. Second by Mr. Szakal. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

### **Public Safety**

Mr. Greco read the Police Report for the month of June 2022.

Mr. Greco made a motion to approve Ordinance #1404 Adopting the Rules and Regulation and Providing for Re-establishment of a Police Civil Service Commission. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. Mayor Pavelko said as of Borough Code this Ordinance should have been hand delivered to him. Mrs. Brice and Mr. Thompson had concerns about the Ordinance. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, and Mr. Szakal. (4): Nays: Mrs. Brice and Mr. Thompson (2): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Greco made a motion to establish terms for members of Civil Service commission. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, and Mr. Szakal. (4): Nays: Mrs. Brice and Mr. Thompson (2): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

### **Mayor**

Mayor Pavelko had questions on Borough Ordinance, was it advertised and doesn't the Ordinance goes to the Mayor according to Borough code.

Mayor announced that the Skating Ring will be under new management

**Public Officials**

**Mr. Brice-** No report

**Mr. Vince-Fire** Department received an E-mail from Australia saying that they received a Fireman coat that belongs to Mayor Lignelli. The coat was sent back to the Donora fire Department, it's being cleaned and will be framed.

**Mr. Petroske-**No Report

**Mrs. Harris-**No Report

**Mr. Toprani-** No. Report

**Old Business****New Business****Public Address:**

Roderick Wilson of 481 Seventh Street spoke with council about hiring an Administrator.

Mantelli Carlock spoke about the Community.

Chuck Szakal spoke about the Donora Fire Department towing his car.

**Non-Agenda Items**

**ADJOURNMENT: 7:39 PM**



A Special Meeting of the Donora Borough Council was held on August 02, 2022 at 6:01 P.M. in the Borough Banquet Hall of the Donora Municipal Complex. The meeting was called to order by Council President Michael McDowell and following the Pledge of Allegiance, the following members were present: Mrs. Ackerman, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. Also present were, Mayor Donald Pavelko, Borough Solicitor Steven Toprani, Superintendent James Brice and Chief Neal Rands. Absent: Mr. Fred Berestecky.

### **Opening of Bids**

#### **President of Council**

Mr. McDowell made a request for a motion to hire Megan M. Turnbull, Esquire of Weiss Burkardt Kramer LLC. Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to hire Megan M. Turnbull as solicitor to the Civil Service Commission. Seconded by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Szakal. (4): Nays: Mrs. Brice and Mr. Thompson (2): Absent: Mr. Berestecky (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Greco made a request for a motion recommending termination of James Brice. Mr. Greco made a motion to approve statement of charges and recommending termination of James Brice as superintendent. Seconded by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Szakal. (4): Nays: Mr. Thompson. (1): Abstain: Mrs. Brice. (1) Absent: Mr. Berestecky (1). Motion carried.

### **Minutes**

### **Finance**

### **Health, Sanitation and Code Enforcement**

### **Recreation**

### **Community Affairs and Municipal Building**

### **Highways and Streets**

### **Public Safety**

### **President of Council**

### **Mayor**

### **Public Officials**

### **Old Business**

### **New Business**

### **Public Address:**

Roderick Wilson  
 Rich Perrotta  
 Michelle Kitchens  
 Rena Alford  
 Mona Taylor  
 Rich Fronzaglio  
 Freel Garci

### **Non-Agenda Items**

**ADJOURNMENT: 6:55 PM**

The Regular Meeting of the Donora Borough Council was held on August 11, 2022 at 6:00 **P.M.** in the Council Chambers of the Donora Municipal Complex. The meeting was called to order by Council President Michael McDowell and following the Pledge of Allegiance, the following members were present: Mrs. Ackerman, Fred Berestecky Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal, and Mr. Thompson. Also present were, Mayor Donald Pavelko, Borough Solicitor Steven Toprani, Superintendent James Brice, and Chief Neal Rands.

### **Opening of Bids**

#### **Minutes**

Mr. McDowell requested a motion to approve minutes of prior meetings.  
No action taken.

#### **President of Council**

Mr. McDowell requested a nomination/motion to hire for Borough Administrator  
No action taken Tabled.

Mr. McDowell requested a motion for Resolution for KCP Grant. Mr. Berestecky made a motion for Resolution for KCP Grant funding through DCED, requested by Mayor Pavelko. Second by Mr. Szakal. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

#### **Finance**

Mr. Szakal read the Bill Report for the month of July 2022.

Mr. Szakal read the Payroll Report for the month of July 2022.

Mr. Szakal read the Treasurers Report for the month of July 2022.

Mr. Szakal read the Tax Collector's Report and made a motion to accept the Tax Collector's Report for the month of July 2022. Second by Mr. Thompson. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mr. Szakal made a motion to remove Dennis Fisher as the Administrator on business options credit card account. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mr. Szakal made a motion to remove Terri Petroske as signer for all PNC bank Accounts. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried

Mr. Szakal made a motion to add Lewis Morrison, bookkeeper on business options credit card contingency on bonding. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Szakal. (5): Nays: Mrs. Brice, Mr. Thompson (2): Absent: (0). Motion carried

Mr. Szakal made a motion to approve the purchase of a Bobcat excavator at a cost of \$1,743.00 per month for 48 months. Second by Mr. Berestecky. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Szakal. (5): Nays: Mrs. Brice, Mr. Thompson (2): Absent: (0). Motion carried

### **Health, Sanitation and Code Enforcement**

Mrs. Brice read the Sanitation Report for the month of July 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Code Enforcement Report for the month of July 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Landlord Registration & Occupancy Reports for the month of July 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Street Opening Reports for the month of July 2022.

Mrs. Brice made a motion to advertise for Code Enforcement Officer. Second by Mr. Berestecky. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: Mrs. Brice (1): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

### **Recreation**

Mr. Thompson read the Palmer Park Report for the month of July 2022.

### **Community Affairs and Municipal Building**

Mrs. Ackerman read the Banquet Hall Report for the month of July 2022.

### **Highways and Streets**

Mr. Berestecky made a motion to approve handicap parking for Cherie Orr of 93 Kenric Avenue. Second by Mrs. Brice. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mr. Berestecky made a motion to approve contract language (Local Union 585) for appointment of Working Foreman. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mr. Berestecky made a motion to appoint Dean Fronzaglio as Working Foremen. Second by Mr. Szakal. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

### **Public Safety**

Mr. Greco read the Police Report for the month of July 2022.

Mr. Greco made a motion to accept resignation of Patrolman Dana Harris. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mr. Greco made a motion to ratify amendment to Local Union 205 Collective Bargaining Agreement. Second by Mr. Berestecky. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Szakal. (5): Nays: Mrs. Brice and Mr. Thompson (2): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mr. Greco made a motion to ratify the placing of James Brice on paid administrative leave, effective yesterday at 9:00 a.m. and continuing until such time as the Borough Council can consider a personnel matter. Second by Mrs. Ackerman.. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Szakal. (5): Nays: Mr. Thompson (1): Abstain: Mrs. Brice (1) Absent: (0). Motion carried.

**Mayor**

**Public Officials**

**Mr. Brice-** No report

**Mr. Vince-**No report.

**Mr. Petroske-**No Report

**Mrs. Harris-**No Report

**Mr. Toprani-** No. Report

**Old Business**

**New Business**

**Public Address:**

Roderick Wilson of 481 Seventh Street spoke with council.

Michelle Kitchens spoke with council.

**Non-Agenda Items**

Sherrri Gibino of 530 Ohio Street spoke with council

Cindy Burns spoke with council

Kelly Balog spoke with council

Scott Nedrow spoke with council

**ADJOURNMENT: 7:39 PM**

The Regular Meeting of the Donora Borough Council was held on September 8, 2022 at 6:02 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Donora Municipal Complex. The meeting was called to order by Council President Michael McDowell and following the Pledge of Allegiance, the following members were present: Fred Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal, and Mr. Thompson. Also present were, Mayor Donald Pavelko, Borough Solicitor Steven Toprani, and Chief Neal Rands. Absent: Mrs. Ackerman

### **Opening of Bids**

### **Minutes**

### **President of Council**

### **Finance**

### **Health, Sanitation and Code Enforcement**

### **Recreation**

### **Community Affairs and Municipal Building**

### **Highways and Streets**

### **Public Safety**

### **Mayor**

### **Public Officials**

**Mr. Brice-** No report

**Mr. Vince-**No report.

**Mr. Petroske-**No Report

**Mrs. Harris-**No Report

**Mr. Toprani-** Announcement by the Solicitor Toprani that Council would be in violation of the Sunshine Act for failure to advertise the agenda on the website. A motion was made by Mr. Berestecky to adjourn to Executive Session and for the president to reconvene at a later date. Second by Mr. Szakal: A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mrs. Ackerman: (1). Motion carried. Councilman Thompson noted on record that no agenda on website in July and August.

### **Old Business**

### **New Business**

### **Public Address:**

### **Non-Agenda Items**

**ADJOURNMENT: 6:06 PM**

The Regular Meeting of the Donora Borough Council was held on September 22, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Donora Municipal Complex. The meeting was called to order by Council President Michael McDowell and following the Pledge of Allegiance, the following members were present: Fred Berestecky Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal, and Mr. Thompson. Also present were, Mayor Donald Pavelko, Borough Solicitor Steven Toprani, Fire Chief Patsy Vince, and Chief Neal Rands. Absent: Mrs. Ackerman

### **Opening of Bids**

### **Minutes**

Mr. McDowell requested a motion to approve minutes from August 11<sup>th</sup> \ September 8<sup>th</sup> Regular meetings and August 02<sup>nd</sup> Special Meeting. Mr. Greco made a motion to approve Minutes. Second by Mr. Berestecky. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Szakal. (4): Nays: Mrs. Brice, Mr. Thompson (2): Absent: Mrs. Ackerman, (1). Motion carried.

### **President of Council**

Mr. McDowell made an announcement: On October 3, 2022 the Ringgold School District Police Department will be holding a 2022-2023 school year Community Safety and Security Committee Meeting at the auditorium of the Ringgold Middle School, located at 2 Ram Drive, Monongahela, PA. 15063 beginning at 6:00 P.M. Immediately afterwards at 7:00 p.m. the police department will be providing our Violent Intruder Training, ALICE to our parents of the district.

### **Finance**

Mr. Szakal read the Bill Report and made a motion to accept the Bill Report for the month of August 2022. Second by Mr. Berestecky. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mrs. Ackerman (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Szakal read the Payroll Report for the month of September 2022.

Mr. Szakal read the Treasurers Report and made a motion to accept the Treasurers Report for the month of August 2022. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mrs. Ackerman (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Szakal read the Tax Collector's Report and made a motion to accept the Tax Collector's Report for the month of August 2022. Second by Mr. Berestecky. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mrs. Ackerman (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Szakal made a motion to approve the Non-Uniform Minimum Municipal Obligation for 2023 in the amount of \$21,328.00. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mrs. Ackerman (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Szakal made a motion to add Lewis Morrison Jr. as a signer for all PNC bank Accounts. Second by Mr. Berestecky. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Ackerman (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Szakal made a motion to hire Officer Talbert as a full time officer pending his background check and his clearance. Noted it was an emergency hire. Second by Mr. Berestecky. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Szakal. (4): Nays: Mrs. Brice, Mr. Thompson (2): Absent: Mrs. Ackerman (1). Motion carried. Mrs. Brice asked what this hire was based on. Mr. Thompson asked why wasn't council involved and when did council interview him.

### **Health, Sanitation and Code Enforcement**

Mrs. Brice read the Sanitation Report for the month of August 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Code Enforcement Report for the month of August 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Landlord Registration & Occupancy Reports for the month of August 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Street Opening Reports for the month of August 2022.

Mrs. Brice made a motion to reappoint Barry Hickman to the Zoning Board. Second by Mr. Szakal. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mrs. Ackerman (1). Motion carried.

Mrs. Brice asked the Solicitor Toprani to read the dangerous properties/code enforcement ordinance 140-22

### **Recreation**

Mr. Thompson read the Palmer Park Report for the month of August 2022.

Mr. Thompson made a motion for the Borough to pursue assistance from the State for bat relocation at Palmer Park. Second by Mr. Szakal. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mrs. Ackerman (1). Motion carried.

### **Community Affairs and Municipal Building**

Mr. Toprani read the Banquet Hall Report for the month of August 2022.

### **Highways and Streets**

Mr. Berestecky made a motion to approve handicap parking for John Perunko of 912 West 9<sup>th</sup> Street. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mrs. Ackerman (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Berestecky asked the Solicitor Toprani to do the first read of Ordinance of stop sign at Modisette, Chestnut/Walnut.

Mr. Berestecky made a motion to approve new contract language for the Street Department contract. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mrs. Ackerman, (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Berestecky made a motion to hire full time Street department employee/employee's (George Megela). Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mrs. Ackerman (1). Motion carried.

**Public Safety**

Mr. Greco read the Police Report for the month of August 2022.

**Mayor**

Mayor spoke about the new owners of the skating ring and when it will open, oil companies, grants and the anniversary of the Smog Committee.

**Public Officials**

**Mr. Vince-**sometime in October the Fire Department will be passing out CO detectors there's only 200.

**Mr. Rands-** Talked about a block watch, camera's going into the police cars

**Mr. Toprani-** No. Report

**Old Business****New Business****Public Address:**

Rich Perrotta of 345 McCrea spoke with council about how much money is spent on legal fee.

**Non-Agenda Items**

Mariann Boros spoke with council on various subjects

Kathy Sabatini spoke with council about Donora

K. Fontella spoke with council about stop sign

**ADJOURNMENT: 7:13 PM**



The Regular Meeting of the Donora Borough Council was held on October 13, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Donora Municipal Complex. The meeting was called to order by Council Vice President Fred Berestecky and following the Pledge of Allegiance, the following members were present: Mrs. Ackerman (by phone), Fred Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal, and Mr. Thompson. Also present were, Mayor Donald Pavelko, Borough Solicitor Steven Toprani, Fire Chief Patsy Vince, and Chief Neal Rands. Absent: Mr. McDowell.

### **Opening of Bids**

### **Minutes**

Mr. Berestecky requested a motion to approve minutes from Regular meetings held on September 22, 2022. Mr. Greco made a motion to approve Minutes. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

### **President of Council**

Mr. Berestecky request a motion for a second reading of Property Code. Mr. Greco made a motion to amend agenda for second reading of Property Code Ordinance. Second by Mr. Szakal. . A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Berestecky spoke about the work being done in town on the sewer line and the sidewalks.

### **Public Address:**

Nathan Voytek spoke with Council and the Public about grants, projects and funding for the Borough. Projects for McKean Ave (garbage cans) building a larger Pavilion at Palmer Park. There's recreation dollars available to do renovation at Donner Park and Gilmore. The Deck hockey around \$720,000. Next year CBG Federal money available (181,380) for low mode income (street paving, demolition, recreation improvement). 2023 LSA Grant money (6-7 Million dollars) is allocated to the counties, applications are due on or before November 26, 2022.

Roberie Wilson spoke to council about police and public safety.  
Richard Perrotta spoke to council about the Sanitation bill payments.

### **Finance**

Mr. Szakal read the Bill Report and made a motion to accept the Bill Report for the month of September 2022. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Szakal read the Payroll Report for the month of September 2022.

Mr. Szakal read the Treasurers Report and made a motion to accept the Treasurers Report for the month of September 2022. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Szakal made a motion to approve the 2023 Police Pension Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) as \$0. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

### **Health, Sanitation and Code Enforcement**

Mrs. Brice read the Sanitation Report for the month of September 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Code Enforcement Report for the month of September 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Landlord Registration & Occupancy Reports for the month of September 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Street Opening Reports for the month of September 2022.

Mrs. Brice made a motion to approve Sanitation payment schedule of \$180 payable by March 31, \$240 payable by June 30, or penalty rate of \$300 beginning July processed by the magistrate. Second by Mr. Szakal. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Greco, (1): Nays: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson (5): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion failed.

### **Recreation**

Mr. Thompson read the Palmer Park Report for the month of September 2022.

Mr. Thompson made a motion to adopt a resolution to apply to the Washington County Redevelopment Authority for additional Community Development Block Grant Funds (CDBG) for recreation improvement and accessibility upgrades to the 9<sup>th</sup> Street and Gilmore Parks. Second by Mr. Szakal. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve Smogtoberfest on October 29. No second. Mr. Thompson rescinded his motion

### **Community Affairs and Municipal Building**

Mr. Toprani read the Banquet Hall Report for the month of September 2022.

### **Highways and Streets**

Mr. Szakal made a motion to approve Annual Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Report (MS4). Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve Cheryl Kinds handicap spot at 1019 McKean Ave., Donora. Second by Mr. Szakal. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve Gina Watroba handicap spot at 215 Third Street, Donora. Second by Mr. Szakal. A vote was taken to the call of roll. Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Szakal made a motion for the final reading and approval of stop signs at Modisette, Chestnut/Walnut. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Szakal made a motion to approve scrapping of old boom tractor: Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Szakal made a motion to approve Gannett Fleming invoice #5644 in the amount of \$1,313.32. (Apex Storm water plan review). Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6); Nays: (0); Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

### **Public Safety**

Mr. Greco read the Police Report for the month of September 2022.

### **Mayor**

Mayor Pavelko spoke about the Eagle Scout Awards that he presented to 2 young gentlemen from Donora Braydon Wilcher and Hayden Clark. He also spoke about the help he received from Senator Bartolotta and Brian in her Washington Office and Bud Cook in getting the road problem on Second Street Ext fixed.

### **Public Officials**

**Mr. Vince-**Halloween parade will be October 27, 2022 at 6p.m. after the parade there will be a bonfire at the MIDA area and there will be hot dogs.

**Mr. Rands-** Talked with the State police about truck inspection on the trucks coming into Donora.

**Mr. Toprani-** 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading on Code/Blight Ordinance. Motion made by Mrs. Brice on the final second reading of Code/Blight Ordinance. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6); Nays: (0); Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

### **Old Business**

#### **New Business**

Twinkle Bright Night will be November 25, 2022 from 6p.m.-8p.m.

Treat or Treat will be October 29, 2022 from 5pm-7p.m

#### **Non-Agenda Items**

Roberie Wilson of 481 7<sup>th</sup> talked about the City Council

K. Fontella spoke with council about Exterminator update

Kelly Balog of 424 Kenneth Street spoke about her 2022 vendor event and she presented a check to the Borough in the amount of \$909.00

Michelle Kitchen spoke to council about the lot on Allen Ave and Bradford way dogs using the lots and people not cleaning up after their dogs. Pot holes on Third Street

**ADJOURNMENT: 7:35 PM**

The Regular Meeting of the Donora Borough Council was held on November 10, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Donora Municipal Complex. The meeting was called to order by Council President Michael McDowell and following the Pledge of Allegiance, the following members were present: Fred Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal, and Mr. Thompson. Also present were, Mayor Donald Pavelko, Borough Solicitor Steven Toprani, Fire Chief Patsy Vince, Street Department Dean Fronzaglio and Chief Neal Rands. Absent: Mrs. Ackerman

### **Opening of Bids**

### **Minutes**

Mr. McDowell requested a motion to approve minutes from Regular meetings held on October 13, 2022. Mr. Greco made a motion to approve Minutes. Second by Mr. Berestecky. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (5): Nays: Mrs. Brice (1) Absent: Mrs. Ackerman (1). Motion carried.

### **President of Council**

### **Public Address:**

### **Finance**

Mr. Szakal read the Bill Report and made a motion to accept the Bill Report for the month of October 2022. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Szakal (5): Nays: Mr. Thompson. (1): Absent: Mrs. Ackerman (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Szakal read the Payroll Report for the month of October 2022.

Mr. Szakal read the Treasurers Report and made a motion to accept the Treasurers Report for the month of October 2022. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mrs. Ackerman (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Szakal read the Tax Report for the month of October 2022

Mr. Szakal made a motion to approve the Mon Valley Grant Resolution. Second by Mr. Berestecky. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mrs. Ackerman (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Szakal made a motion to bring in Warren Cecconi as Interim Borough Administrator to do the Budget. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mrs. Ackerman (1). Motion carried.

### **Health, Sanitation and Code Enforcement**

Mrs. Brice read the Sanitation Report for the month of October 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Code Enforcement Report for the month of October 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Landlord Registration & Occupancy Reports for the month of October 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Street Opening Reports for the month of October 2022.

Mrs. Brice opposed motion and deferred to Council for a motion.

Mr. Greco made a motion to approve 2023 Sanitation payment schedule of \$180 payable by March 31, \$240 payable by June 30, or penalty rate of \$300 beginning July 1, processed by the magistrate. Second by Mr. Szakal. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Greco, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson (5): Nay: Mrs. Brice (1) Absent: Mrs. Ackerman (1). Motion carried.

### **Recreation**

Mr. Thompson read the Palmer Park Report for the month of October 2022.

### **Community Affairs and Municipal Building**

Mr. Toprani read the Banquet Hall Report for the month of October 2022.

### **Highways and Streets**

Mr. Berestecky made a motion to approve Part-time Street Department new hire rate of \$15.00 per hour for a 90 day probation then \$17.00 per hour after their probation. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mrs. Ackerman, (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Berestecky made a motion to approve Gary Weaver handicap spot at 437 Eighth Street, Donora. Second by Mr. Thompson. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mrs. Ackerman (1). Motion carried.

### **Public Safety**

Mr. Greco read the Police Report for the month of October 2022.

### **Mayor**

Mayor Pavelko read to council and the public a proclamation that will be present to Rev. Maurice Wade for his 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 at the Donora Fire Hall.

Mayor Pavelko asked council to try to hire a Code Enforcement Officer and two more Police Officers.

### **Public Officials**

**Mr. Vince-No** Report

**Mr. Rands-** Talked to council about scheduling the Civil Service Test again.

**Mr. Fronzaglio** - Told council that he spoke with the Engineers on the gas line project that's being done in Donora.

**Mr. Toprani** - No Report

### **Old Business**

### **New Business**

### **Non-Agenda Items**

Filmerna Martin spoke with council about a code enforcement officer also about 624 2<sup>nd</sup> Street no faculty no water or electricity and using the yard for a bathroom.

Joshua Lamb spoke with council about rat issue abated. Looking for volunteers to help next year at the Gilmore cemetery.

**ADJOURNMENT: 6:50 PM**

The Regular Meeting of the Donora Borough Council was held on December 8, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Donora Municipal Complex. The meeting was called to order by Council Vice President Fred Berestecky and following the Pledge of Allegiance, the following members were present: Mrs. Ackerman by phone, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal, and Mr. Thompson. Also present were, Mayor Donald Pavelko, Borough Solicitor Steven Toprani, Street Department Dean Fronzaglio and Chief Neal Rands. Absent: Michael McDowell

### **Opening of Bids**

### **Minutes**

Mr. Berestecky requested a motion to approve minutes from Regular meetings held on November 10, 2022. Mr. Greco made a motion to approve Minutes. Second by Mr. Szakal. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (5): Nays: Mrs. Brice (1) Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

### **President of Council**

### **Public Address:**

### **Finance**

Mr. Szakal read the **Bill** Report and made a motion to accept the Bill Report for the month of November 2022. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Szakal read the Payroll Report for the month of November 2022.

Mr. Szakal read the Treasurers Report and made a motion to accept the Treasurers Report for the month of November 2022. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell, (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Szakal read the Tax Collector's Report and made a motion to accept the Tax Collector's Report for the month of November 2022. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell, (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Szakal read aloud the Proposed 2023 Budget as follows:

### **REVENUES:**

Real Estate & Occupation Taxes	\$891,000.00
Act 511 Taxes	\$551,000.00
Community Services special Taxes	
Fire Protection	\$ 14,500.00
Recreation Tax	\$ 24,000.00
Library Tax	\$ 3,600.00
Licenses and Permits	\$ 81,950.00
Fines, Forfeits & Cost	\$ 35,100.00
Interest and Rents	\$ 24,000.00
Intergovernmental Revenues	\$466,450.00
Departmental Earnings	\$496,169.00
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$ 17,600.00
Other Revenues (Refund & Transfers)	\$170,144.00
Municipal State Pension Aid- Non-Uniform	\$ 17,000.00

**TOTAL OF ALL REVENUES IN 2023**

**\$2,792,513.00**

**EXPENDITURES:**

Administration	\$151,550.00
Tax Collection	\$ 27,800.00
Law	\$ 15,400.00
Borough Building	\$ 90,200.00
Police	\$668,456.00
Fire	\$ 53,155.00
Code Enforcement	\$ 66,000.00
Health and Sanitation	\$355,759.00
Highways	\$532,793.00
Parking	\$ 300.00
Transit Authority	\$ 0.00
Recreation	\$ 25,000.00
Library	\$ 3,600.00
Insurance & Employee Benefits	\$529,000.00
Non-Uniform MMO Pension Plan Contribution	\$ 17,000.00
Other Expense except Non-Uniform MMO	\$256,500.00

**TOTAL OF ALL EXPENDITURES IN 2023** **\$2,792,513.00**

Mr. Szakal made a motion to advertise the 2023 Proposed Budget which will be on display for 10 days at the Administrative Office at 603 Meldon Avenue during normal business hours, starting on December 12, 2022. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Szakal made a motion to advertise a special meeting on December 29, 2022 @ 4:00pm to adopt the budget. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

**Health, Sanitation and Code Enforcement**

Mrs. Brice read the Sanitation Report for the month of November 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Code Enforcement Report for the month of November 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Landlord Registration & Occupancy Reports for the month of November 2022.

Mrs. Brice read the Street Opening Reports for the month of November 2022.

Mrs. Brice made an announcement that Council is accepting letters of interest from anyone who would like to be considered for appointment to the Mon Valley Sewage Authority Board. Letters of interest should be received by December 27, 2022.

Mrs. Brice made a motion to return escrow for 679-681 McKean Avenue to Kenneth Schmigel in the amount \$102,000.00 plus accrued interest. Work Completed. Second by Mr. Szakal. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

**Recreation**

Mr. Thompson read the Palmer Park Report for the month of November 2022.

Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve requested CDBG 2023 Funding for the following projects. Home Rehabilitation Program \$75,000.00, Demolition Project \$100,000.00 and Recreation Improvement Program \$106,380.00. Second by Mr. Szakal. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Thompson made an announcement that Council is accepting letters of interest to serve on the Borough of Donora Parks and Recreation Board. Letters of interest should be submitted by December by 12/27/22.

### **Community Affairs and Municipal Building**

Mr. Toprani read the Banquet Hall Report for the month of November 2022.

Mr. Toprani made a motion to approve an upgrade to the Borough Computer Hardware per quote submitted by Freedom Systems Inc. in the amount of \$19,801.00. Funding through EIP 2 Grant. Second by Mr. Greco A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

### **Highways and Streets**

Mr. Szakal made a motion to approve Gannett Fleming's bill for \$655.42 for completion of 2021-2022 MS4 Report. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell, (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Szakal made a motion to hire Cody Timms as part-time Public Works Employee. He will be paid \$15.00 per hour for 90 days and then \$17.00 per hour after that according to the Teamster Local 585 contract. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

### **Public Safety**

Mr. Greco read the Police Report for the month of November 2022.

Mr. Greco made a motion to authorize the Civil Service Commission to advertise for potential openings in the Police Department and to conduct testing starting with the Physical Agility Test on February 21, 2023. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Greco made a motion to return the donation in the amount of \$10,000.00 from Ulice Payne per his request dated November 15, 2022. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: (0): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried

Mr. Greco made a motion to overrule Officer's Perry suspension and award him 3 days' pay and 8 hours of missed overtime. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, and Mr. Szakal (4): Nays: Mrs. Brice and Mr. Thompson. (2): Absent: Mr. McDowell (1). Motion carried

### **Mayor**

Mayor Pavelko read to council and the public a proclamation that will be present to Kellie Enright for her 40 years in business in Donora.

### **Public Officials**

#### **Mr. Vince-No Report**

**Mr. Rands-** Chief Rands spoke about going out with Officer Talbert working on code enforcement problems in the Borough. Marsha has been helping with give me address and ordinance. Along with Karen Fontella and myself we start a block watch in Cement City handing out fliers. Going to reach out to the colleges for officers. Asked about increasing Officer Talbert salary.



**Mr. Fronzaglio** - Talked about hiring for the Street Department

**Mr. Toprani**- No Report

**Old Business**

**New Business**

**Non-Agenda Items**

Roberie Wilson spoke about sewage costs, police and Superintendent Brice lawsuit.

Karen Fontanella had questions about Charleroi council, the water authority and Mrs. Ackerman's attendance

Joshua Lamb spoke with council about rat issue abated. Looking for volunteers to help next year at the Gilmore cemetery.

**ADJOURNMENT: 7:30 PM**

The Special Meeting of the Donora Borough Council was held on December 29, 2022 at 4:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Donora Municipal Complex. The meeting was called to order by Council President Michael McDowell and following the Pledge of Allegiance, the following members were present: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. Szakal, and Mr. Thompson. Also present were, Mayor Donald Pavelko, Borough Solicitor Steven Toprani and Chief Neal Rands.

### **Opening of Bids**

### **Minutes**

### **President of Council**

Executive Session was held prior to the meeting to discuss Borough Administrator

### **Public Address:**

Scott Nedrow spoke to Council about the police, expense and auditors.

### **Finance**

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Mr. Szakal made a motion to adopt the 2023 Proposed Budget. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Szakal. (5): Nays: Mrs. Brice, and Mr. Thompson (2): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mr. Szakal made a motion to adopt Resolution #2022-9 Setting the Tax Rate for 2023. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Szakal made a motion to set the meeting dates for 2023; Work session first Thursday of the month @ 6:00p.m., Regular Council meeting second Thursday of the month @ 6:00p.m. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mrs. Brice, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (7): Nays: (0): Absent: (1). Motion carried.

Mr. Szakal made a motion to Appoint Lewis Morrison for the Borough Administration position effective immediately at \$50,000 /90 day evaluation. Second by Mrs. Ackerman. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Szakal and Mr. Thompson. (6): Nays: Mrs. Brice (1): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

### **Health, Sanitation and Code Enforcement**

Mrs. Brice made a motion to reappoint Lewis Marraccini to Mon Valley Sewage Authority. Second by Mr. Thompson. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Brice, and Mr. Thompson. (2): Nays: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell and Mr. Szakal: (5): Absent: (0). Motion failed.

Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to amend agenda to appoint Steve Walko to the Mon Valley Sewage Authority. Second by Mr. Berestecky. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Szakal. (5): Nays: Mrs. Brice, and Mr. Thompson (2): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to appoint Steve Walko to the Mon Valley Sewage Authority. Second by Mr. Greco. A vote was taken to the call of roll: Ayes: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Berestecky, Mr. Greco, Mr. McDowell, and Mr. Szakal. (5): Nays: Mrs. Brice, and Mr. Thompson (2): Absent: (0). Motion carried.

### **Recreation**

No Motions

### **Community Affairs and Municipal Building**

No Motions

### **Highways and Streets**

.No Motions

### **Public Safety**

Mr. Greco discussed the flood in the evidence room and what was taken out.

Mr. Greco commended Officer Parry and (2) customers on the 12/16/2022 Uni-Mart theft case

### **Mayor**

**Public Officials**

**Mr. Vince** - No Report

**Mr. Rands** - No Report

**Mr. Fronzaglio** No Report

**Mr. Toprani**- No Report

**Old Business**

**New Business**

**Non-Agenda Items**

Scott Nedrow spoke about the budget.

**ADJOURNMENT: 4:56 PM**