

**OLYPHANT BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 1, 2022**

Flag Salute: Baldan led with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Meeting held via zoom.

Moment of Silence in memory of the passing of Mayor John Sedlak.

Roll Call: Harrington, Hudak, Frushon, Tully, Krukovitz, Abda and Baldan were present.

Minutes: A motion was made by Frushon and seconded by Harrington to approve the minutes from the previous meeting, all members assented.

Borough Bills: A&A Auto \$309.35, A J Gilgallon \$100.00, American Rock Salt \$9,054.97, Auto Zone \$23.78, Berkheimer Associates \$210.63, Blakely Borough \$4,161.36, Borgna's Service Station \$290.00, Bosak's \$225.00, Building Inspection Underwriters of PA \$874.37, Cintas \$459.70, Comcast \$1,548.15, Thomas Cummings \$385.00, DGK Insurance \$6,612.00, Ehrlich \$534.00, Electro Battery of PA \$815.00, Emblem Enterprises \$619.40, First Bankcard \$2,966.25, GBA Premium Account \$2,817.06, Hose Co. # 2 \$1,300.00, Hose Co.#4 \$1,300.00, Hose Co.#1 \$1,300.00, Hose Co.#6 \$1,300.00, Hose Co.#8 \$1,300.00, Hunter Keystone Peterbilt \$286.20, Kwik N Ezy Car Wash \$307.00, L-Tron \$371.59, Lackawanna County Recycling Center \$567.20, Louis LaFratte \$10,710.00, Legendary Autoworks \$1,376.53, Manasek Auto Parts \$39.98, Maria McCool \$150.00, Mid Valley Printing \$8,245.00, Newday Technologies \$313.74, Olyphant Ambulance \$900.00, One Point \$508.46, PA Municipal Health Cooperative \$36,837.04, PAWC \$5,315.25, Rossi Rooter \$1,250.00, The Scranton Times \$163.15, Shawn McDonald \$200.00, Staples \$98.51, Tom O'Boyle's Auto Service \$178.85, Vision Benefits of America \$249.30, Witmer Public Safety Group \$1,937.55, YCG, Inc. \$327.25, Zoning David Uhrin \$40.00, Zoning John Onda \$40.00, Zoning Joseph Kranick \$40.00, Zoning Leonard Mitchko \$40.00, **Total \$111,820.47.**

A motion was made by Tully and seconded by Krukovitz, contingent upon further review to pay the bills when funds are available; all members assented.

TREASURERS REPORT: Income: Taxes \$30,686.33, Licenses & Permits \$9,900.00, Fines & Forfeits \$762.60, Interest, Rents & Royalties \$0.53, Intergovernmental Revenue \$12,000, Charge for Services \$20,660.12, Miscellaneous Revenues \$12,230.53, Other Finance Source \$144,713.01, Total Income \$231,043.12. Expense, Legislative Body \$1,541.64, Executive \$351.67, Executive Manager \$3,000.00, Financial Administration \$375.00, Tax Collection \$2,351.38, Law-Retainer Fee \$1,041.67, Clerk/Secretary \$18,482.26, Engineering Retainer Fee \$625.00, General Government \$4,141.86, Public Safety \$69,967.04, Fire \$7,213.73, Ambulance/Rescue \$450.00, Protective Inspection \$4,289.46, Planning & Zoning \$1,421.25, Employee Salaries \$30,260.98, Recycling Collection \$281.60, Solid Waste Collection \$16,263.23, Wastewater Sanitary Sewer \$14,004.00, Highways \$9,472.94, Recreation \$180.00, Debt Service \$0, Miscellaneous Expenditures \$28,087.21, Total Expense \$213,351.72, Net Income **\$17,691.40.** **STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS-** Olyphant Borough General Fund Beginning Balance \$21,237.47, Receipts \$234,475., Interest \$0.53, Bills Paid \$216,342.11, Ending Balance \$39,371.57, General Hi-Fi (Parking Meters) Beginning Balance \$12,446.21, Meter Collection \$0, Interest Earned \$0.11, Ending Balance \$12,446.32, Special Road Account (Liquid Fuels) Beginning Balance \$87,699.67, Interest Earned \$0.75, Transfer from Light Account from PennDot \$282.62, Liquid Fuels Ending Balance \$87,699.67, Sinking Fund Account Beginning Balance \$25,891.07, Receipts \$11,000.00 Loan Payments \$10,929.68, Ending Balance \$25,961.39, Refuse Account Beginning Balance \$60,699.47, Sale of Refuse Stickers \$18,399.57, Interest \$0.41, Bills Paid \$63,421.78, Ending Balance \$15,677.67, Police Pension Fund Beginning Balance \$2,364,399.24, Ending Balance \$2,561,987.83, Non Uniform Pension Plan Beginning Balance \$1,366,610.12, Ending Balance \$1,345,018.21, Phillip Condella Recreation Checking Beginning Balance \$498.03, Interest \$0, Ending Balance \$498.03, Fire Loss Escrow Account Beginning Balance \$25,135.64, Ending Balance \$25,135.64, Contingency Fund Beginning Balance \$763,288.59, Transfer \$12,000.00, Interest \$6.55, Taxes \$5,068.04, Stafursky Paving \$7,270.25,

\$850.00, Ending Balance \$772,242.93, Flood Account Beginning Balance \$25,465.67, Interest \$0.22, Ending Balance \$25,465.89.

Mustacchio said we will dispense with the reading of reports.

Secretary's Monthly Report: None.

Mayor's Monthly Report: None.

Engineer's Report: None.

Code Enforcement Officer Report: None.

Manager/Solicitor Report: None.

Fire Chief Report: None

Committee Reports: Frushon said she sent an E-mail to Council with list of items for parks' upgrade; LaFratte suggested setting up a Recreation Committee meeting; Hudak asked to a DPW Committee Meeting set up as well as an Infrastructure Meeting; Baldan asked the status of Electrical Supply to the new developments; Mustacchio said we are staying on top of process; Abda said a Police Committee Meeting is set up for 2/2/2022; A motion was made by Krukovitz and seconded by Tully to accept the reports; all members assented.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: Bid Opening: A motion was made by Harrington and seconded by Frushon to repeal the prior regulation regarding selection of Borough Fire Chief and Assistants; on the question Michael Schroeder asked if Council was considering reappointing the Fire Chief; Mustacchio suggested to review proposal and present it at the Continued Meeting for February 22, 2022; all members assented with the exception of Krukovitz who abstained.

A motion was made by Hudak and seconded by Abda to send Letter of Intention to participate in a study to implement and join a regional police force; all members assented.

A motion was made by Hudak and seconded by Frushon to approve procedure for Borough Council to fill the vacancy of the Office of Mayor and advertise, anyone interested must send a letter of intent to Council; on the question, Hudak asked how long interest individuals have to respond; Mustacchio suggested anywhere between 7 to 10 days; all members assented.

A motion was made Frushon and seconded by Krukovitz to approve a Resolution for Grant for upgrade of Wargo Park (DCNR Grant for basketball court, tennis court, and walking trail) all members assented.

A motion was made by Hudak and seconded by Krukovitz to refuse light duty to Eric Hartshorn, and in order for his return to work he must be cleared of all restrictions and to authorize Mus; all members assented.

A motion was made by Hudak and seconded by Krukovitz to authorize participation in study to explore the possible consolidation of Borough Fire Companies; all members assented.

A motion was made by Tully and seconded by Abda to continue Regular Session to 6:30 PM on February 22, 2022 for the purpose of filling vacancy of the Office of the Mayor and for General Purposes; all members assented.

Public Comment: Eric Hartshorn asked the status of his employment, Mustacchio said he is still considered to be on workman's compensation.

Adjournment: Meeting continued to 6:30 PM on February 22, 2022.

Secretary

John Tomcho