

**Minutes of the
MILLVALE BOROUGH COUNCIL
Tuesday, December 13, 2022 - COVID 19 EMERGENCY DECLARATION DRAFT
Millvale Borough Building – 501 Lincoln Avenue**

Council Workshop was called to order at 5:59pm

Ross/West View EMS Executive Director Greg Porter made a presentation on the services R/WV EMS provides and the financial state of affairs the organization is under currently. Along with members of R/WV EMS who were also in attendance, Exec. Director Porter also expressed a thank you to council for use of our rental facilities throughout the year for the annual Children's Holiday party and their Summer Picnic.

Executive Session

Council then moved into executive session from 6:15pm – 6:34pm.

Council Workshop then resumed at 6:35pm.

Discussion was held regarding Review of Act 15, Sunshine Act guidelines for a remote meeting.

Discussion was held regarding COVID-19 general updates. No changes.

Discussion was held regarding the Animal Ordinance. Held over for January Review.

Discussion was held regarding the Ross/West View EMS Ordinance.

Discussion was held regarding Motion, Ordinance and Resolution reviews.

MOTIONS

Motion to pay TAN in full to FNB before year's end. \$450,000 plus accrued interest through December 14, 2022.

Motion to allow staff to hire intern/s and deduct funds per Budget.

Motion to hire Jim Burn Jr. as an intern. Staff to utilize dedicated funds per Budget.

Motion to Open Pavilion and MCC 2023 rentals beginning December 14, 2022, @ Noon.

Motion to set Council workshop meeting dates as the first Tuesday of each month, commencing at 6:00 pm, except for Tuesday, July 4, and November 7 2023, while adding Wednesday, July 5, and Monday, November 6 2023.

Motion to set the Council meeting dates as the second Tuesday of each month starting at 6:00 pm, except for Tuesday, February 14, while adding Monday, February 13 2023.

Motion to set the Planning Commission meeting dates as the third Tuesday of each month, starting at 6:00 pm.

Motion to approve Waste Management Bid to NHCOC and enter into a contract with Waste Management from 1/1/2023-12/31/2026.

Motion to expend up to \$300.00 from the General Fund for the Millvale Volunteer Fire Holiday Celebration.

Motion to approve a motion to advertise Ross/West View EMS Fee Ordinance.

Motion to approve advertisement for Ross/West View EMS Fee Ordinance.

RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES

Resolution No. 2881, Extending Declaration of Emergency for COVID-19 30 Days.

Resolution No. 2896, Adopting and enacting PA Commonwealth Act 57, tax waiver options.

Resolution No. 2897, Terminating Millvale Police Officer 84.

Resolution No. 2876, Amending resolution 2809 and fixing salaries and wages for the fiscal year 2023.

Resolution No. 2880, eliminating contributions to the police retirement fund for FY 2023.

Resolution No. 2882, Adopting the 2023 budget for the Borough of Millvale.
Resolution No. 2878, Amending resolution 2812, the schedule of fees associated with Borough services, permits, and licenses for the fiscal year 2022.

Ordinance No. 2817, amending ordinance 2110 and declaring and providing fines for violations of this ordinance and repealing inconsistent provisions of prior ordinances.

Ordinance No. 2816, LEVYING AND ASSESSING THE REAL ESTATE TAXES IN MILLVALE BOROUGH FOR JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023 FOR A TOTAL OF 9.5 MILLS.

Public Hearing

Council then moved into a Public Hearing for Ordinance No. 2820, Tax Levy for FY 2023.
Motion by Mrs. Halt, Second by Mrs. Rudar, to close Public Hearing. Motion Carried 6-0.

The regular meeting of the Millvale Borough Council was called to order at 6:43pm.

Council President Machajewski noted that the meeting was being recorded.
Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Members Present:

Brian Spoales, Mayor
Jim Machajewski, Council President
Al Atkinson, Vice-President
Paul Bossung
Katie Dembowski – arrived 6:15pm
Tyler Halt
Denise Rudar
William G. Stout - absent
Junior Council Person Brandon Burn

Also Present:

Eddie Figas, Borough Manager
Solicitor Cambest
Chief Tim Komoroski
Michele Revay – OSMA
Zoning & Planning Director Aaron Flook

Meeting Minutes

Motion by Mrs. Rudar, second by Mrs. Dembowski, to approve the minutes, as amended, of the Workshop meeting, held on Tuesday, November 1, 2022 and the Regular Council meeting held on Monday, November 7, 2022. Motion carried 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Motions

Motion by Mr. Atkinson, second by Mrs. Dembowski, Motion to pay TAN in full to FNB before year's end. \$450,000 plus accrued interest through December 14, 2022. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Mrs. Rudar, second by Mrs. Halt, to allow staff to hire intern/s and deduct funds per Budget. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Mrs. Halt, second by Mr. Atkinson, to hire Jim Burn as an intern. Staff to utilize dedicated funds per Budget. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Mrs. Dembowski, second by Mrs. Rudar, to Open Pavilion and MCC 2023 rentals beginning December 14, 2022, @ Noon. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Mrs. Rudar, second by Mr. Bossung, to set Council workshop meeting dates as the first Tuesday of each month, commencing at 6:00 pm, except for Tuesday, July 4, and November 7 2023, while adding Wednesday, July 5, and Monday, November 6 2023. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Mrs. Halt, second by Mr. Atkinson, to set the Council meeting dates as the second Tuesday of each month starting at 6:00 pm, except for Tuesday, February 14, while adding Monday, February 13 2023. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Mrs. Dembowski, second by Mrs. Rudar, to set the Planning Commission meeting dates as the third Tuesday of each month, starting at 6:00 pm. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Mrs. Rudar, second by Mr. Bossung, to approve Waste Management Bid to NHCOC and enter into a contract with Waste Management from 1/1/2023-12/31/2026. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Mrs. Halt, second by Mrs. Dembowski, to expend up to \$300.00 from the General Fund for the Millvale Volunteer Fire Holiday Celebration. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Mrs. Dembowski, second by Mrs. Halt, to approve a motion to advertise Ross/West View EMS Fee Ordinance. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Mrs. Halt, second by Mrs. Rudar, to approve advertisement for Ross/West View EMS Fee Ordinance. Motion carried 6-0.

Resolutions and Ordinances

Motion by Mr. Atkinson, second by Mr. Bossung, to Approve Resolution No. 2881, Extending Declaration of Emergency for COVID-19 for 30 Days. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Bossung, second by Mrs. Dembowski, to Approve Resolution No. 2896, Adopting and enacting PA Commonwealth Act 57, tax waiver options. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Bossung, second by Mrs. Rudar, to Approve Resolution No. 2897, Terminating Millvale Police Officer 84. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Mrs. Rudar, second by Mr. Atkinson, to Approve Resolution No. 2876, Amending resolution 2809 and fixing salaries and wages for the fiscal year 2023. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Mrs. Halt, second by Mrs. Dembowski, to Approve Resolution No. 2880, eliminating contributions to the police retirement fund for FY 2023. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Bossung, second by Mrs. Rudar, to Approve Resolution No. 2882, Adopting the 2023 budget for the Borough of Millvale. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Mrs. Halt, second by Mr. Bossung, to Approve Resolution No. 2878, Amending resolution 2812, the schedule of fees associated with Borough services, permits, and licenses for the fiscal year 2022. Motion carried 6-0.

Ordinance No. 2817, Amending resolution 2812, the schedule of fees associated with Borough services, permits, and licenses for the fiscal year 2022. ORDINANCE TABLED

Motion by Mrs. Rudar, second by Mrs. Halt, to Approve Ordinance No. 2816, LEVYING AND ASSESSING THE REAL ESTATE TAXES IN MILLVALE BOROUGH FOR JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023 FOR A TOTAL OF 9.5 MILLS. Motion carried 6-0.

Monthly Finance Reports: November 2022

Council President Machajewski read the financial report into the record.

Real Estate Tax Collections – \$623,400.26

Delinquent Real Estate - \$135,804.27

Real Estate Transfer - \$57,043.94

Wage Tax Collections - \$261,350.07

Delinquent Wage Tax - \$100,400.00

Mechanical Devices - \$11,600.00

Mercantile - \$39,950.85

Business Privilege - \$47,406.86

LST - \$38,100.46

Court Fines – \$36,214.48

Permit Fees - \$92,758.83

Parking Meter - \$3,617.42

Motion by Mr. Atkinson, second by Mrs. Rudar, to approve the monthly finance report for November 2022. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Mrs. Rudar, second by Mrs. Halt, to approve the financial transactions for November 2022 in the amount of \$276,671.53. Motion carried 6-0.

Reports - The following reports were submitted to Council:

Code, Engineering, Police, Library, Sustainability, Social Workers, Junior Council, Utilities, GRJSA, PW and Zoning were submitted to council for record.

Council President Machajewski – NHCO has a new service manager – Genevieve Volpe.

Girty's Woods fundraising goals have been reached. Employee lunch is on 12/15/22 – Caesar's Alehouse at 1pm. Millvale Volunteer Fire Department party is on 12/17/22 – Caesar's Alehouse at 7pm.

Public Comment

Ronnie – 635 Evergreen Avenue. Ongoing issues with neighbors harassing him.

Adjournment

The public meeting adjourned at 6:57 pm.

James Machajewski, Jr., President

Eddie Figas, Borough Manager