

The Bloomsburg Town Council held a meeting on Monday, January 9, 2023 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, Town Hall and via teleconference. The public joined by dialing: +1 646 558 8656 U.S. and included the meeting ID: 456-920-3798. The public could also join online at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4569203798>.

Mayor Justin Hummel called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., present were Council Members Toni Bell, James Garman, Vince DeMelfi, Bonnie Crawford, Nick McGaw and James Huber via Zoom, Town Manager/Secretary/Treasurer Lisa Dooley, Town Solicitor Matt Turowski, Chief of Police Scott Price, Director of Finance Kim Pogash, Director of Governmental Services Charles Fritz, Director of Public Works John Fritz, Fire Chief Scott McBride, Director of Code Enforcement Michael Reffeor, Code Enforcement Officer Greg Ash, Airport Coordinator BJ Teichman. Also present were MJ Mahon, Andrew Barton, Jamie Shrawder, Corey Kreischer, Dawn Moore, Sharon Landis, Barbara Coladonato, Mary Osborne, Kevin Moll, Jamey Harding, Charles Deitterick, Stacy Wagner, Dennis, a public phone number and Alex Dubil.

Tammy Taney, business solutions specialist with First Columbia Bank was present to discuss the fraud that took place in the Town's general fund account along with setting up two new agreements with the bank.

Jared Mensch, United Steel Workers Union representative came before Council to request the use of the area across from Kawneer for the location of a portable toilet for use by employees of Kawneer should a vote to strike take place in the upcoming months. Council referred this to legal to gather more information.

RESOLUTION 01.09.2023.01- SEDA-COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved Resolution 01.09.2023.01.

RESOLUTION 01.09.2023.02- COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PLAN READOPTION.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by N. McGaw, and voted on unanimously, Council approved Resolution 01.09.2023.02.

RESOLUTION 01.09.2023.03- INTERNAL CHECK SIGNING PROCEDURE.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved Resolution 01.09.2023.03.

RESOLUTION 01.09.2023.04- CHECK SIGNORS AND ANY AND ALL BANKING DECISIONS.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by N. McGaw, and voted on unanimously, Council approved Resolution 01.09.2023.04.

APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL MINUTES FROM THE 12/12/2022 MEETING.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the minutes from the 12/12/2022 meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL MINUTES FROM THE 12/14/2022 MEETING.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the minutes from the 12/14/2022 meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL MINUTES FROM THE 12/27/2022 MEETING.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the minutes from the 12/27/2022 meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL MINUTES FROM THE 1/3/2023 MEETING.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the minutes from the 1/3/2023 meeting.

RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE THE LIST OF DECEMBER BILLS.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment of the following monthly bills: General Fund \$162,663.05, Recycling Fund \$86,835.83, Street Lighting Fund \$7,647.86, Fire Fund \$23,906.43, Pool Fund \$3,492.16, Liquid Fuels Fund \$9,110.01, Airport Fund \$138,667.35, CDBG-DR/FMA Fund \$42,535.25 and the December Payroll Authorization \$257,801.21.

RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE THE NON- UNION EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK.

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the non-union employee handbook.

RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE CHIEF SCOTT PRICE TO SERVE ON THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF JUSTICE SPECIAL TECHNICAL COMMITTEE IN LAW ENFORCEMENT FIREARMS.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by N. McGaw, and voted on unanimously, Council approved Chief Scott Price to serve on the National Institute of Justice Special Technical Committee in Law Enforcement Firearms.

APPROVAL OF THE AUTOMATED CLEARING HOUSE (ACH) PROCESSING AGREEMENT WITH FIRST COLUMBIA BANK & TRUST INC.

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by J. Hummel, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the Automated Clearing House (ACH) processing agreement with First Columbia Bank & Trust Inc.

APPROVAL OF THE POSITIVE PAY AGREEMENT WITH FIRST COLUMBIA BANK & TRUST INC.

On a motion by B. Crawford, seconded by N. McGaw, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the Positive Pay Agreement with First Columbia Bank & Trust Inc.

RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE PAYMENT TO MARK CONNER ELECTRIC, LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,872.48.

On a motion by V. DeMelfi, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to Mark Conner Electric, LLC in the amount of \$3,872.48.

RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE PLACING OUT TO BID THE TRAIL PROJECT.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved placing the river trail project out to bid.

APPROVAL OF AN ASBESTOS QUOTE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,500 REGARDING THE AIRPORT HVAC PROJECT.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on 6 to 1 (Garman voting to approve), Council denied approval of an asbestos quote in the amount of \$6,500 for the Airport HVAC project.

APPROVAL OF A SECONDARY HEATER QUOTE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$63,000 REGARDING THE AIRPORT HVAC PROJECT.

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council denied approval of the secondary heater quote for the airport HVAC project.

RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE THE RIVER TRAIL NAME.

Susquehanna Area Recreational Trail (BART), nominated by J. Garman, seconded by T. Bell received three votes. Bloomsburg River Trail, nominated by V. DeMelfi, seconded by N. McGaw received three votes. Susquehanna Trail, nominated by B. Crawford, seconded by T. Bell, received 1 vote. Following discussion, Bloomsburg Area Recreational Trail (BART) was approved with Bell, Crawford, Garman and Hummel voting in favor.

On a motion by B. Crawford, seconded by N. McGaw, and voted on unanimously, Council adjourned into an executive session at 7:48 p.m.

Council reconvened at 8:35 p.m.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved hiring Charles Dietterick as a part-time officer in the police department at a wage of \$26.44 per hour.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved pool contractors to assist with opening and operating the Norris E. Rock pool for the 2023 season at a rate of \$20.00 per hour.

A motion to adjourn was made by N. McGaw, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously to adjourn the meeting with no further business. The meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Lisa Dooley
Town Manager/Secretary/Treasurer