MINUTES

The Athens Borough Council met in regular session on February 13, 2023 Council Chambers, Athens Borough Municipal Building.

Present: President Scott Riley, Vice-President Scott Molnar, President Pro Tem Sharon Sporn, Council members Walter Chaykosky, Joanne Polzella, Anthony Smith, Robert Williams and Mayor Francis Roupp III(teleconference).

President Riley led in the Salute to the Flag.

President Riley called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

President Riley stated that this meeting is being tape recorded to assist the Borough Secretary in the preparation of the Minutes. When approved by Council the tapes will be reused and not preserved. If you have a recording devise please announce so at this time.

PRESS

No one present.

PUBLIC

No one present.

PRESIDENT RILEY

MONTHLY BILLS

It was moved by Chaykosky and seconded by Sporn that the February 2023 monthly bills be approved as follows:

General Fund **$40,348.02**
Sewer Fund **$7,130.97**
Fire Fund **$692.63** – Loan Payment #36

AYES: Chaykosky, Molnar, Polzella, Smith, Sporn, Williams, Riley
NAYES: None
Motion carried

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It was moved by Chaykosky and seconded by Sporn that the minutes of the regular meeting on January 09, 2023 be approved as written. Motion carried.

CALL FOR AN EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Riley called for an Executive Session to discuss Real Estate and Litigation issues.

POLICE COMMITTEE

Vice-President Molnar stated:

The Police Chief's monthly report was made available to Council on February 08, 2023.

Monthly Report

Month of January		Total for the Year
146	Total Number of Calls:	146
2	Felony Arrests:	2
4	Misdemeanor Arrests:	4
0	Non-Traffic Arrests:	0
1	Traffic Citations:	1
16	Traffic Reports:	16
6	Truancy Reports:	6
0	Parking Warnings:	0
0	Parking Tickets:	0
	Mileage:	
59	2013 Tahoe	107,040 Overall
1,421	2017 Tahoe	74,930 Overall
867	2019 Tahoe	37,891 Overall
	District Court:	
14	Total Cases:	14
2	Criminal Cases:	2
6	Traffic Cases:	6
0	Non-traffic Cases:	0
0	PFA Violations	0
6	Truancy	6

COMMUNITY AND DEVELOPMENT

President Pro Tem Sporn stated:

The Shade Tree Commission met on January 18, 2023 at 6:00PM at the Athens Borough Municipal Building. Their next meeting is scheduled for February 15, 2023 at 6:00PM at the Athens Borough Municipal Building.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Council member Williams stated:

The Public Work's Department report was made available to Council on February 01, 2023.

AQUA PA WATER COMPANY – STREET OPENINGS

The water company has scheduled water main replacements on the following streets: N Elmira St, W Pine St, Pennsylvania Ave, Lilley Ave, Longway St, Hugh St and Chestnut St. The work is expected to begin early spring.

SANITARY SEWER MAIN LINE TELEVISING

The Borough Manager advised Council that the sanitary sewer main line on N Main St will need to be televised in order to determine the location of lateral ties at the main line and also to confirm the condition of the sewer main. It was also explained that with the help of the Valley Sewage Treatment Plant, the Public Works Department will have the resources to complete the televising.

CODE ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE

Council member Polzella stated:

The Zoning Officer's monthly report was made available to Council on February 08, 2023.

Zoning Permits Issued: 6
Zoning Permits Denied: 0
Zoning Permits to Date: 0

Property Maintenance Violation Notices Issued:

Total to Date (2022): 6

Contractor Permits through 02/01/2023:

Issued: 4 Pending: 6 Void: 0

P&Z MEETING

The Planning and Zoning Committee met on February 08, 2023 at 6:00PM and will hold a public workshop on February 22, 2023 at 6:00PM to discuss the survey that will be mailed on in regards to the comprehensive plan update.

Their next regularly scheduled meeting will be March 08, 2023 at 6:00PM.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

It was moved by Williams and seconded by Chaykosky that the Little League be authorized to extend the fencing up the first baseline and down the third baseline at the Athens Park baseball field. Council has also requested the Little League look into fixing the backstop of the existing fencing at home base. Motion carried.

FIRE COMMITTEE

Council member Smith stated:

The Fire Department's monthly report for January was made available to Council on February 03, 2023.

SOLICITOR

The Solicitor's report was made available to Council on February 13, 2023.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

START: 7:22PM
STOP: 7:44PM

ADJOURN

It was moved by Williams and seconded by Sporn that the meeting be adjourned at 7:45PM. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

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Tara R. Campbell, Secretary