



ASHLEY BOROUGH

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Code Enforcement Secretary: Amy Campbell

Borough Manager: Samuel Guesto

Council Vice President: Andrew Potsko

Frank Sorokach

Edward Flynn

BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, December 10, 2024 – 6:30 P.M.

- (a) Call to Order
- (b) Roll Call
 - Ms. Wildes
 - Mr. Potsko
 - Mr. Byra
 - Mr. Sorokach
 - Ms. Heller
 - Mr. Flynn
 - Mayor Demchak
 - Manager Guesto
 - Secretary Scharer
 - Chief McGlynn
 - Code Officer Campbell
- (c) Pledge of Allegiance
- (d) Council Member Reports
 - Ms. Wildes
 - Mr. Potsko
 - Mr. Byra
 - Mr. Sorokach
 - Ms. Heller
 - Mr. Flynn

- (e) Mayor's Report
- (f) Borough Secretary's Report
- (g) Treasurer's Report to be presented by Secretary Scharer
- (h) Police Chief's Report
- (i) Code Officer's Report
- (j) Legislation
- (k) Announcements: .
- (l) Public Comment – Pending Legislation Only

RESOLUTION 131 OF 2024 – A Resolution to approve the November 12, 2024 Council Meeting Minutes.

RESOLUTION 132 OF 2024 – A Resolution to approve the November 2024 bills in the amount of \$ 178,079.42.

RESOLUTION 133 OF 2024 – A Resolution to approve the November 2024 payroll in the amount of \$ 61,530.00.

RESOLUTION 134 OF 2024- A Resolution to approve the 2025 Ashley Borough Budget as presented.

RESOLUTION 135 OF 2024- A Resolution to approve, upon recommendation of the Borough Engineer, Reilly Associates, and in accordance with the Solicitor's Opinion, the award of the Ashley Borough Rehabilitation of Solomon Creek Interceptor Project to R.L.E. Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$1,453,163.29. This project is funded through the American Rescue Plan Act.

RESOLUTION 136 OF 2024- A Resolution to pay Invoice #3 from Reilly Associates in the amount of \$49,222.60 for the Solomon Creek Interceptor Rehabilitation Project from the FNCRB ARPA Account.

RESOLUTION 137 OF 2024- A Resolution to approve the following for non-union employees of Ashley Borough starting on 1-1-25:

1. 3% wage increase for full-time employees;
2. 50 cent per hour increase for part-time employees; and
3. pay a health care premium percentage consistent with the Ashley Borough Police Department union contract.

RESOLUTION 138 OF 2024- A Resolution to accept the 2023 audit as presented from Prociak & Associates, LLC.

RESOLUTION 139 OF 2024- A Resolution to approve the proposal from Donald G. Karpowich, Attorney at Law, rate proposal of \$135.0 per hour for 2025 zoning consulting services.

RESOLUTION 140 OF 2024- A Resolution to approve the proposal from 1 Stop Financial, rate proposal of \$1,030.00 per month for 2025 financial services.

RESOLUTION 141 OF 2024- A Resolution to authorize the payment of all interest earned from the Luzerne County American Rescue Plan Act Grant to Luzerne County as requested.

RESOLUTION 142 OF 2024- A Resolution to approve the proposal from Key Energy Services for a 12-month term for electric supply for 11 electric accounts.

RESOLUTION 143 OF 2024- A Resolution to approve the payment of Invoice #11120 from John J. McGovern, Jr., Esquire, CPA, in the amount of \$1,455.00 for financial consulting services.

RESOLUTION 144 OF 2024- A Resolution to enact *Ordinance Number 3 of 2024*, An Ordinance Providing For The Application For And Issuance And Terms of a Handicapped Parking Permit.

RESOLUTION 145 OF 2024- A Resolution to enact *Ordinance Number 4 of 2024*, An Ordinance Imposing Updated Penalties for Parking Violations Within Ashley Borough.

RESOLUTION 146 OF 2024- A Resolution to enact *Ordinance Number 5 of 2024*, An Ordinance Imposing Updated Fees For Accident Reports For Non-Reportable Accidents.

RESOLUTION 147 OF 2024- A Resolution, upon recommendation of the Borough Engineer, approving Pay Application No. 2 in the amount of \$15,580.70 for paving/recreation improvements in the borough as final payment with the Community Development Grant.

RESOLUTION 148 OF 2024- A Resolution approving the purchase of a 2025 Chevrolet Trailblazer in the amount of \$22,117.00 through the debt services account with a 5-year lease to own from Peoples Security Bank & Trust. The authorized trade-in is the Ashley Borough 2018 Ford Explorer with a transmission that is damaged and requires replacement.

RESOLUTION 149 OF 2024- A Resolution to approve the Hanover Township rate proposal increase of 3% for 2025 administrative services.

(m) Public Comment

(n) Adjournment