



ASHLEY BOROUGH

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Mayor: Brian Demchak

Council President: Lisa Wildes

Carl Byra

Jennifer Heller

Borough Secretary: Lisa Scharer

Code Enforcement Secretary: Amy Campbell

Borough Manager: Samuel Guesto

Council Vice President: Andrew Potsko

Frank Sorokach

Edward Flynn

ASHLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY MEETING MINUTES April 09, 2024, 6:30 PM

Attendance:

Lisa Wildes – Present

Andrew Potsko –Present

Carl Byra –Present

Frank Sorokach – Present

Jennifer Heller – Present

Edward Flynn –Not Present

Mayor Brian Demchak. –Not Present

Borough Manager Guesto –Present

Borough Secretary Scharer - Present

Police Chief McGlynn –Present

Code Officer Campbell- Present

Meeting was called to Order by Lisa Wildes. Attorney Moses called roll for the Council, Mayor, and Borough Officials. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all. Attorney Moses announced that Council met in Executive Session on March 12, 2024 to discuss personnel and legal matters and also on April 2, 2024 to discuss personnel and legal matters.

COUNCIL AND BOROUGH OFFICIAL REPORTS

Lisa Wildes – Ms. Wildes announced that Election Day is April 23, 2024, and the Borough offices will be closed that day. Ms. Wildes further announced that the Little League Parade will be on April 19, 2024, and the line up will be at 5:30 p.m. at the playground.

Andrew Potsko – Mr. Potsko asked Code Officer Campbell what the status was of 18 Ross Street. Ms. Campbell replied “She was fine. She had a dumpster, but the dumpster was too small for everything. Most of it was cleaned up. She is ill and in renal failure and an ambulance was called to her house on Sunday.” Mr. Potsko asked since she is unwell, is there anything the council can do to help with the garbage in the yard. A Council Member stated maybe the Ashley Preservation Society could get Helping Hands that can help with the matter. Borough Manager Guesto stated that the Borough should perhaps take care of it if it is causing rodent infestation because there was a citation issued then bill her for it. Citation was filed on the 8th. Borough Manager Guesto instructed Code Officer to call the Magistrate and ask them to expedite a hearing.

Carl Byra – Nothing for this meeting.

Frank Sorokach – Mr. Sorokach asked where the Borough is standing regarding garbage stickers. The last count was 46. Council stated that the Borough is doing much better, and they are down to 34 with only 10 being past due. All the fines have been sent out.

Ms. Heller – Nothing for this meeting.

Mr. Flynn – Not present for this meeting.

Mayor Demchak – Not present for this meeting.

Secretary Lisa Scharer – Nothing for this meeting.

Borough Manager Guesto- Nothing for this meeting.

Chief Joe McGlynn – Chief McGlynn provided the borough with the Police Chief's Monthly Report, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Code Officer Amy Campbell- Code Officer Campbell provided the borough with the Code Officer's Monthly Report, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT – PENDING LEGISLATION

NONE FOR THIS MEETING

LEGISLATION

RESOLUTION 51 OF 2024 – A Resolution to approve the March 12, 2024 Council Meeting Minutes.

Motion: Carl Byra
Second: Jennifer Heller

Lisa Wildes – Y
Frank Sorokach – Y
Carl Byra – Y
Andrew Potsko-Y
Jennifer Heller – Y
Edward Flynn – Not Present
PASS

RESOLUTION 52 OF 2024 – A Resolution to accept the proposal from First Keystone Bank to purchase a 9-month Certificate of Deposit in the amount of \$250,000.00 at an APY of 4.85%.

Motion: Frank Sorokach
Second: Lisa Wildes

Lisa Wildes – Y
Frank Sorokach - Y
Carl Byra – Y
Andrew Potsko-Y
Jennifer Heller – Y
Edward Flynn – Not Present
PASS

RESOLUTION 53 OF 2024 – A Resolution to approve the donation of \$2,000.00 to the Hanover Area Little League for work at Ashley Field.

Motion: Carl Byra
Second: Lisa Wildes

Lisa Wildes – Y
Frank Sorokach - Y
Carl Byra – Y
Andrew Potsko-Y
Jennifer Heller – Y
Edward Flynn – Y
PASS

RESOLUTION 54 OF 2024- A Resolution to approve the submission for request of reimbursement for the Community Development funding for the Ashley Fire Department for equipment in the amount of \$35,365.00 from One Source Fire & Rescue LLC, COSTARS contract #012-E23-358.

Motion: Frank Sorokach
Second: Andrew Potsko

Lisa Wildes – Y
Frank Sorokach - Y
Carl Byra – Y
Andrew Potsko-Y
Jennifer Heller – Y
Edward Flynn –Not Present

PASS

PUBLIC COMMENT

DONNA RANSOM OF 83 ANDREW DRIVE: MS. RANSOM THANKED POLICE OFFICERS THAT CAME TO HER HOUSE TO HELP WITH A BEAR THAT WAS AT HER HOUSE. SHE ALSO STATED A GAME WARDEN CAME TO HER HOUSE TO HELP AND EXPRESSED HER GRATITUDE.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion: Carl Byra
Second: Jennifer Heller

MEETING ADJOURNED

Ashley Borough Code Enforcement Profit & Loss

March 2024

	Mar 24
Income	
322.00 · Licenses and Permits	770.00
321.90 · Rental Registration	
Total 322.00 · Licenses and Permits	770.00
331.00 · Fines & Forfeits	
331.12 · Violations of Ordinances and St	35.00
Total 331.00 · Fines & Forfeits	35.00
361.00 · Charges for Services Gen Gov't	
361.30 · Zoning Permits and Land Develop	350.00
361.72 · Vacant Property Fee	500.00
Total 361.00 · Charges for Services Gen Gov't	850.00
362.00 · Public Safety	
362.41 · Building Permit Fees	863.02
362.45 · Occupancy Permit	510.00
Total 362.00 · Public Safety	1,373.02
Total Income	3,028.02
Expense	0.00
Net Income	3,028.02



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Ashley Borough Police Department

Ashley Borough Police Monthly Report for March 2024

Total Incidents logged: 227

Total Parking Tickets Issued: 6

Total Traffic Citations Issued: 37

Total Non-Traffic Citations Issued: 7

Total Amount Received from Magistrate: \$ 3,441.39 (Crimes Code, Vehicle Code and Ordinances)

Total Amount Received from Report Requests: \$ 15.00

Total Amount Received from Parking Violations: \$ 80.00

Luzerne County Dept. of Probation: \$ 0

Total Received: \$ 3,536.39

Vehicle Milage

Miles, 3,079

Averaging, 99 miles per day

Respectfully Submitted by,

Joseph McGlynn
Chief of Police

Ashley Borough Police - March 2024

ANIMAL COMPLAINTS	7
ASSISTS	34 (Fire, EMS, Other Police)
BURGLAR ALARMS	1
CIVIL/PFA	4
CRIM. MISCH.	-
DEATH/INVESTIGATIONS	-
DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE	4
HARASS/ASSAULT/THREAT	5
MENTAL HEALTH	1
MISCELLANEOUS	15
WELFARE CHECKS	7
MISSING PERSONS	4
DISABLED MOTORIST	6
NOISE	-
DISORDERLY/PUB DNK	7
ILLEGAL DUMPING	-
TRESPASSING	-
SUSP. AUTO/ PERSON	4
THEFT OFFENSES	3
TRAFFIC/ PARKING OFFENSES	106
TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS	1
WARRANTS/WANTED	-
WEAPONS	-