

ASHLEY BOROUGH

Brian Demchak, Mayor

Lisa Wildes, Council Chair

Frank Sorokach, Council Vice Chair

Carl Byra

Andrew Potsko

Jennifer Heller

Jonelle McGlynn

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Samuel Guesto, Borough Manager

Lisa Scharer, Borough Secretary

Peter John Moses, Solicitor

ASHLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 10, 2023

Attendance:

Lisa Wildes – Present

Frank Sorokach – Present

Carl Byra – Present

Andrew Potsko – Present

Jennifer Heller – Present

Jonelle McGlynn – Present

Mayor Brian Demchak. – Present

Borough Manager Guesto – Present

Borough Secretary Scharer - Present

Borough Treasurer Morgan - Present

Police Chief David Fedorczyk – Present

Peter Moses, Esq. for Solicitor Moses & Gelso LLP – Present

Code Officer Williams - Present

Meeting was called to Order by Ms. Wildes. Attorney Moses called roll for the Council, Mayor and Borough Officials. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

COUNCIL AND BOROUGH OFFICIAL REPORTS

Lisa Wildes – Ms. Wildes informed the public that new garbage stickers are available for purchase at the Borough Building.

Frank Sorokach – Nothing for this meeting.

Carl Byra – Nothing for this meeting.

Andrew Potsko – Mr. Potsko provided the public with an update on the status of the water issues at Ashley Park. He stated that Mr. Suma met with Borough Officials last week and they are exploring resolutions.

Ms. Heller – Nothing for this Meeting.

Ms. McGlynn – Nothing for this Meeting.

Borough Manager – Nothing for this Meeting.

Treasurer Morgan – Treasurer Morgan delivered the Treasurer's Monthly Report, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Secretary Scharer – Nothing for this Meeting.

Mayor Demchak – Nothing for this Meeting.

Chief Fedorczyk – Chief Fedorczyk delivered the Police Chief's Monthly Report, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Code Officer Williams – Nothing for this Meeting.

Solicitor Moses – Nothing for this Meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT – PENDING LEGISLATION

None

LEGISLATION

RESOLUTION 1 OF 2023 – A Resolution to pay the December 2022 Payroll in the amount of \$ 64,277.07.

Motion: Lisa Wildes
Second: Carl Byra

Lisa Wildes – Y
Frank Sorokach – Y
Carl Byra – Y
Andrew Potsko – Y
Jennifer Heller – Y
Jonelle McGlynn – Y
PASS

RESOLUTION 2 OF 2023 – A Resolution to pay the December 2022 Bills in the amount of \$41,683.25.

Motion: Carl Byra
Second: Frank Sorokach

Lisa Wildes – Y
Frank Sorokach – Y
Carl Byra – Y
Andrew Potsko – Y
Jennifer Heller – Y
Jonelle McGlynn – Y
PASS

RESOLUTION 3 OF 2023 – A Resolution to approve the December 13, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes.

Motion: Lisa Wildes
Second: Andrew Potsko

Lisa Wildes – Y
Frank Sorokach – Y
Carl Byra – Y
Andrew Potsko – Y
Jennifer Heller – Y
Jonelle McGlynn – Y
PASS

RESOLUTION 4 OF 2023 – A Resolution approving the proposal from Key Energy for electric services for 12 months. This will result in a \$5,792.18 savings.

Motion: Lisa Wildes
Second: Carl Byra

Lisa Wildes – Y
Frank Sorokach – Y
Carl Byra – Y
Andrew Potsko – Y
Jennifer Heller – Y
Jonelle McGlynn – Y
PASS

RESOLUTION 5 OF 2023 – A Resolution to approve the application of a COVID-19 ARPA H2O PA Grant and authorizing Council President Wildes and Borough Manager Guesto to sign any and all related documents.

Motion: Frank Sorokach
Second: Carl Byra

Lisa Wildes – Y
Frank Sorokach – Y
Carl Byra – Y
Andrew Potsko – Y
Jennifer Heller – Y
Jonelle McGlynn – Y
PASS

PUBLIC COMMENT

Gerry Maldonado – Mr. Maldonado requested updates on the Sulfur Run Project and the related easement agreements. The Borough Engineer, Solicitor and Manager responded with updates.

Additionally, Mr. Maldonado raised the possibility of a permit renewal for the cleanout of the creek. The Borough Manager and Engineer responded to Mr. Maldonado.

Further, Mr. Maldonado mistakenly thought a carport on Stewart's Alley was obligated to be moved due to noncompliance with the zoning ordinance. Borough Officials explained that due to a notice issue the carport is not required to be relocated.

Clyde Harvey – Mr. Harvey inquired about next steps for the Ashley Park Water issue and Mr. Suma. He was informed that on December 29, 2022, Borough Officials met with Suma to discuss ideas to rectify water issues, including exploring a Pennvest Grant.

Donna Ransom – Ms. Ransom informed the meeting that she would be willing to assist in forming a homeowners association with the residents of Ashley Park. Secretary Scharer added that she had been in contact with an attorney about forming an association as well.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion: Carl Byra
Second: Jennifer Heller

MEETING ADJOURNED

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
	JAN	FEB	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	
1													
2	ESSA General	\$314,592.35	\$316,869.97	\$317,996.64	\$317,982.96	\$317,982.96	\$317,982.96	\$317,982.96	\$318,355.35	\$473,195.20	\$473,189.22	\$481,271.25	\$481,271.25
3	Citizens Bank	\$19,180.92	\$19,180.92	\$19,180.92	\$19,180.92	\$19,180.92	\$19,180.92	\$19,180.92	\$19,180.92	\$19,180.92	\$19,180.92	\$19,180.92	\$19,180.92
4	M & T Sewer Account	\$103,652.44	\$103,652.44	\$103,652.44	\$103,652.44	\$103,652.44	\$103,652.44	\$103,652.44	\$152,414.86	\$152,414.86	\$152,414.86	\$152,414.86	\$152,414.86
5	FNCB Debt Service	\$27,505.12	\$24,014.54	\$21,845.90	\$20,388.77	\$19,969.34	\$16,763.00	\$16,763.00	\$10,792.45	\$10,792.45	\$89,832.62	\$83,103.88	\$82,199.00
6	FNCB Capital Improvement	\$1.55	\$1.55	\$1.55	\$1.55	\$1.55	\$1.55	\$1.55	\$1.55	\$1.55	\$1.55	\$1.55	\$1.55
7	FNCB Highway Aid	\$29,186.82	\$26,355.84	\$10,278.28	\$75,522.92	\$73,807.88	\$62,906.12	\$62,906.12	\$54,470.38	\$54,470.38	\$21,990.55	\$23,742.66	\$18,148.96
8	FNCB General Fund	\$462,733.30	\$504,926.79	\$462,208.40	\$515,106.64	\$643,218.28	\$642,670.90	\$642,670.90	\$581,590.71	\$581,290.71	\$199,547.15	\$220,844.58	\$219,656.85
9	FNCB Fire Equipment	\$103,676.64	\$103,326.64	\$102,976.64	\$102,976.64	\$102,976.64	\$102,976.64	\$102,976.64	\$100,932.59	\$100,932.59	\$112,692.76	\$112,807.47	\$112,874.81
10	FNCB Sewer Fund	\$142,723.54	\$142,223.54	\$142,223.54	\$128,667.45	\$141,041.54	\$130,062.49	\$129,727.59	\$139,717.23	\$139,717.23	\$138,899.57	\$138,899.57	\$136,604.53
11	FNCB Iokie	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
12	FNCB Code Enforcement Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,060.00	\$2,656.57	\$5,509.32
13	FNCB Recreation Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$1,885.90	\$563.78
14	TOTAL	\$1,203,752.68	\$1,240,652.23	\$1,180,464.31	\$1,283,591.97	\$1,421,931.55	\$1,396,297.02	\$1,395,962.12	\$1,377,556.04	\$1,532,095.89	\$1,209,159.20	\$1,236,909.21	\$1,228,525.83
15													
16													
17													
18	ESSA 2018 Police Car	\$ 9,965.35	\$ 9,272.14	\$ 8,616.00	\$ 7,918.29	\$ 7,218.53	\$ 6,517.90	\$ 6,517.90	\$ 5,111.98	\$ 4,407.10	\$ 4,407.10	\$ 3,699.10	\$ 3,115.21
19	Pymt 723.94 Monthly												
20													
21	ESSA 2019 Fire Engine												
22	Pymt 928.97 Monthly	\$ 77,762.56	\$ 76,833.59	\$ 76,833.59	\$ 76,223.04	\$ 76,223.04	\$ 75,610.16	\$ 74,994.70	\$ 73,755.59	\$ 73,755.59	\$ 73,130.88	\$ 72,505.57	\$ 71,879.84
23													
24	ESSA 2020 Police Car	\$ 16,081.72	\$ 15,518.70	\$ 14,929.08	\$ 14,361.21	\$ 13,791.12	\$ 13,220.08	\$ 13,220.08	\$ 12,072.99	\$ 11,497.33	\$ 11,497.33	\$ 10,338.56	\$ 9,626.23
25	Pymt 624.46 Monthly												
26													
27		\$ 103,809.63	\$ 101,624.43	\$ 100,378.67	\$ 98,502.54	\$ 97,232.69	\$ 95,348.14	\$ 94,732.68	\$ 90,940.56	\$ 89,660.02	\$ 89,035.31	\$ 86,543.23	\$ 84,621.28



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David Fedorczyk, Chief of Police
Joseph McGlynn, Sergeant

Ashley Borough Police Department

Ashley Borough Police Monthly Report for December 2022

Total Incidents logged: 137

Total Parking Tickets Issued: 7

Total Traffic Citations Issued: 32

Total Non-Traffic Citations Issued: 6

Total Amount Received From Magistrate: \$891.88 (\$Crime & Vehicle Code fines. \$ Ordinance)

Total Amount Received from Report Requests: \$45.00

Total Amount Received from Parking Violations: \$120.00

Luzerne County Dept. of Probation Services: \$61.50

Total Received: \$1118.38

Respectfully Submitted by,

David Fedorczyk
Chief of Police

Ashley Borough Police – December 2022

ANIMAL COMPLAINTS	1	<i>Criminal Complaints filed for Dec. –3</i>
ASSISTS	26 (Fire, EMS, Other PD)	<i>Criminal Complaints YTD 2022–37</i>
BURGLAR ALARMS	4	
CIVIL/PFA	1 (Property Issue)	
CRIM. MISCH.	0	
DOA	0	
DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE	2	
DRUG	2 (2-Drug possession)	
DUI	2	
HARASS/ASSAULT/THREAT	6 (3-Harassment, 2-Assaults, 1-Threat)	
MENTAL HEALTH	0	
WELFARE CHECKS	4	
MISSING PERSONS	0	
MOTORIST AID/DISABLED	0	
NOISE	1	
DISORDERLY/PUB DNK	2	
ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	3 (1-Commercial Veh. Ord. 2- Marijuana Ord.)	
ILLEGAL DUMPING	0	
PROPERTY / TRESPASS	0	
SUSP. AUTO/ PERSON	4	
THEFT/BURGLARY/ROBBERY Vehicles)	11 (1-Robbery, 1-Burglary, 1-I.D. Theft, 6-theft, 2-Recovered Stolen	
TRAFFIC OFFENSES/ PARKING	55	
TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS	5 (0- Fatality)	
WARRANTS/WANTED	4	
WEAPONS	1 (1-Poss. Of Firearm w/o License)	
POLICE PURSUITS	2 (Charges Filed)	

TOTAL INCIDENTS CLEARED – 136