

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 NOVEMBER 1, 2022

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 thanked everyone who participated in the Trunk or Treat Event.

Ms. Wildes informed the public that the 2023 Ashley Borough Budget will be posted in the Borough Building.

Ms. Wildes also informed the public that there will be no tax increases and services will remain the same.

Frank Sorokach – Nothing for this meeting.

Carl Byra – Nothing for this meeting.

Andrew Potsko – Mr. Potsko stated that yard waste collection will continue through November 2022.

Additionally, Mr. Potsko stated that the appliances on Barnes St. have been cleaned up.

Finally, Mr. Potsko asked Code Officer Williams whether the holes in Ashley Park will be addressed.

Ms. Heller – Nothing for this meeting

Ms. McGlynn – Nothing for this Meeting.

Borough Manager – Manager Guesto presented the 2023 Ashley Borough Budget.

Manager Guesto presented the CriLon Corp. Bid for the Solomons Creek Project.

Manager Guesto presented the Police Union Contract MOU.

Manager Guesto Presented the Culvert Street Bridge Proposal.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT – PENDING LEGISLATION

None

LEGISLATION

RESOLUTION 156 OF 2022 – A Resolution to pay the October 2022 Payroll in the amount of \$ 36,893.90.

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 157 OF 2022 – A Resolution to pay the October 2022 Bills in the amount of \$142,597.29.

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

RESOLUTION 158 OF 2022 – A Resolution to approve the October 11, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes.

Motion: Lisa Wildes
Second: Jonelle McGlynn

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

RESOLUTION 159 OF 2022 – A Resolution to approve the Police Union Contract Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

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

RESOLUTION 160 OF 2022 – A Resolution to approve Ordinance No. 8 of 2022, an Ordinance reaffirming adoption of certain construction and property maintenance codes and adopting new and distinct regulations governing permits and inspections within the Borough.

Motion: Carl Byra
Second: Lisa Wildes

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

RESOLUTION 161 OF 2022 – A Resolution to approve Ordinance No. 9 of 2022, an Ordinance amending the Ashley Borough Police Pension Plan administered by the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System pursuant to Article IV of the Pennsylvania Retirement Law and agreeing to be bound by all provisions of the Pennsylvania Retirement Law as amended and as applicable to member municipalities.

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 162 OF 2022 – A Resolution to approve the Culvert Street Bridge Proposal from the Luzerne County Redevelopment Authority.

Motion: Lisa Wildes
Second: Frank Sorokach

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

RESOLUTION 163 OF 2022 – A Resolution ratifying the location of the new Borough Stop Signs placed during October 2022.

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 164 OF 2022 – A Resolution to award the Solomons Creek Debris Removal Project to the low Based Bid of \$36,249.32 to CriLon Corp.as recommended by Borough Engineer Reilly and Associates.

Motion: Andrew Potsko
Second: Lisa Wildes

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

RESOLUTION 165 OF 2022 – A Resolution authorizing the Borough Solicitor to prepare and advertise an Ordinance authorizing the Borough to shut off water service due to non-payment of the Sewer Fee, including any and all pertinent agreements to effectuate the Ordinance.

Motion: Lisa Wildes

Second: Frank Sorokach

Lisa Wildes – Y

Frank Sorokach – Y

Carl Byra – Y

Andrew Potsko – Y

Jennifer Heller – Y

Jonelle McGlynn – Y

PASS

RESOLUTION 166 OF 2022 – A Resolution approving a Proclamation recognizing, honoring, and wishing Mr. Lou Thomas a Happy 85th Birthday.

Motion: Lisa Wildes

Second: Jonelle McGlynn

Lisa Wildes – Y

Frank Sorokach – Y

Carl Byra – Y

Andrew Potsko – Y

Jennifer Heller – Y

Jonelle McGlynn – Y

PASS

PUBLIC COMMENT

Erica Kozicki – Ms. Kozicki discussed garbage issues at properties located at 25/27 Wyoming St. She indicated that she left three voicemails for Borough Officials and did not receive a return call.

Ms. Kozicki also asked questions about the Ashley Borough Dog Ordinance. Including whether specific fencing was required by the Ordinance.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion: Carl Byra
Second: Jonelle McGlynn

MEETING ADJOURNED



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David Fedorczyk, Chief of Police
Joseph McGlynn, Sergeant

Ashley Borough Police Department

Ashley Borough Police Monthly Report for October 2022

Total Incidents logged: 155

Total Parking Tickets Issued: 7

Total Traffic Citations Issued: 52

Total Non-Traffic Citations Issued: 4

Total Amount Received From Magistrate: \$ *Not available at time of Report* (SCrime & Vehicle Code fines. \$ Ordinance)

Total Amount Received from Report Requests: \$60.00

Total Amount Received from Parking Violations: \$30.00

Total Received: \$

Respectfully Submitted by,

David Fedorczyk
Chief of Police

Ashley Borough Police – October 2022

ANIMAL COMPLAINTS	3	<i>Criminal Complaints filed for Oct. –3</i>
ASSISTS	34 (Fire, EMS, Other PD)	<i>Criminal Complaints YTD 2022–32</i>
BURGLAR ALARMS	5	
CIVIL/PFA	9 (4-PFA, 1-Landlord/Tenant, 2-Veh. Repo, 1-Civil Domestic)	
CRIM. MISCH.	2	
DOA	0	
DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE	8	
DRUG	1 (Drug possession)	
DUI	1	
HARASS/ASSAULT/THREAT	3 (3-Harassment, 1-Simple Assault)	
MENTAL HEALTH	1	
WELFARE CHECKS	0	
MISSING PERSONS	0	
MOTORIST AID/DISABLED	0	
NOISE	3	
DISORDERLY/PUB DNK	2 (2-Disorderly)	
ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	1 (1-Unrestrained Dog)	
ILLEGAL DUMPING	0	
PROPERTY / TRESPASS	0	
SUSP. AUTO/ PERSON	5	
THEFT/BURGLARY/ROBBERY	2 (1-Property Theft, 1-Identity Theft)	
TRAFFIC OFFENSES/ PARKING	64	
TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS	4 (0- Fatality)	
WARRANTS/WANTED	0	
WEAPONS	0	
ROAD HAZARD	0	
POLICE PURSUITS	1 (Subject taken into custody)	
ARSON	0	TOTAL INCIDENTS CLEARED – 149