

Jermyn Borough
Council Minutes
October 17, 2024

The Jermyn Borough Council held a council meeting on Thursday, October 17, 2024 at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers of the Jermyn Borough Building, 440 Jefferson Ave. Jermyn, PA 18433.

The meeting was called to order by President Robert Hunt with the Pledge of Allegiance.

On roll call, the following members were present: BobbiAnn Davis, Trish Dabney, Mark Kilmer, Robert Hunt, Jeff Morcom, Carl Tomaine, and Chris Cook. Attorney Brendan Fitzgerald was also present. Mayor Fuga, KBA, Bob Chase, NEIC, Jim Perry, Nicole Stephens, and Stanley Hallowich were absent

Minutes: J. Morcom made a motion to accept the minutes of 9/19/24 as presented, seconded by C. Cook. All in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report/Bills Payable: S. Lee read the treasurer's report:

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

American Rescue Plan Fund	124,770.72
Capital Reserve - DPW	909.64
Capital Reserve - Police	6,064.82
Crime Watch Fund	222.69
General Fund - Community	170,255.27
General Fund - FNB	6,124.68
Holiday Lights Fund	300.59
Investment - General Fund	1,107.42
Investment - Liquid Fuels	24,383.09
Investment - Paving Fund	1,118.95
Investment - Recycling	122.30
Investment - Refuse	174.39
Liquid Fuels - FNB	6,289.45
Petty Cash	196.50
Recreations Fund	28,299.22
Recycling - Community	5,058.76
Refuse Checking - FNB	163,862.88

Total Checking/Savings 539,261.37

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable

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Long Term Debt	79,266.38

A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report and pay bills by J. Morcom. Seconded by C. Tomaine. All members in favor. Motion carried.

Ratify Bill Paid on 10/3/24: Motion was made to accept bills paid on 10/3/24 by T. Dabney. Seconded by B. Davis. All in favor, motion carried.

Secretary Report: S. Lee advised that our 2025 Liquid Fuels allotment will be 69,711.96, which will be received March 1, 2025. Also requesting President R. Hunt's approval to move forward and have the borough's MS4 report submitted, which he approved.

Correspondence: R. Hunt read a concern/complaint form received from Carol Murnock at 702 Lincoln Ave.- Requesting council address the dangerous area at the entrance of Mellow Ct for Rushbrook St. Pictures are included showing the safety hazards for walkers, bikers, and vehicles do to the deterioration in this area.

Council has agreed with this concern and feels this area needs to be addressed. A motion was made to reach out for quotes to have this alleyway resurfaced by C. Tomaine. Seconded by T. Dabney. All members in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Mark Cordelli from Lackawanna County advised the council of upcoming events that will be going on in the area that they are helping fund, along with flyers to be posted in the borough building.

Professional Reports:

Police: Absent
Fire: Absent
EMA: Absent
Solicitor: None
Code Enforcement: None
Grants: None
Zoning: Absent
Engineer: Absent
Tax Collector: Absent
Mayor: Absent

Committee Reports:

Planning Commission: None
Public Safety: T. Dabney advised that Shannon had reached out to her about the old scooters that the borough owes and has requested permission to have them scrapped, as one is a parts bike and the other no longer runs. And it would be too costly to try and fix as the company that made them is out of business. Council agreed.

J. Morcom also wanted to advise that for Halloween, the Crystal Fire company would like permission again to be able to block off the section of Bacon in front of the fire department for safety, as they will be doing their haunted house for the residents. Council agreed

A motion was made to advertise an Ordinance revising the parking penalties once ready by J. Morcom. Seconded by T. Dabney. All members in favor. Motion carried

Finance: None
Shade Tree: M. Kilmer advises that on November 11, 2024, they will be holding a ceremony at the WWI park, all are invited.
Grants: None
MS4: None
Recreations: S. Lee requested the council's approval to purchase a Salt/Fertilizer spreader using the recreation's account. This equipment would be used to fertilize the parks and then also be used to salt the sidewalks we are required to maintain in the winter. This will save us from having to pay someone to come in and do the parks, and save DPW time in the winter.

A motion was made to purchase a spreader up to the amount of \$1,700.00 by J. Morcom. Seconded by C. Cook. All members in favor. Motion carried

DPW: None

Executive Session: A motion was made to enter executive session by C. Cook. Seconded by J. Morcom. All members in favor. Motion carried. Council convened into executive session at 7:34 pm to discuss litigation matters. Council reconvened from executive session at 8:12 pm.

New business: A motion to hire a part-time code enforcement officer with a cap of \$5,500.00 per year was made by C. Tomaine. Seconded by B. Davis. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion to give our two full-time officers a 3% raise, and for it to be retroactive from January 1, 2024, to current was made by J. Morcom. Seconded by C. Tomaine. All in favor, motion carried.

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn by J. Morcom. Seconded by C. Tomaine. All members in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:14 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Shannon Lee, Secretary/ Treasurer