

Jermyn Borough
Council Minutes
November 21, 2024

The Jermyn Borough Council held a council meeting on Thursday, November 21, 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, Robert Hunt, Jeff Morcom, Carl Tomaine, Chris Cook. Mayor Fuga and Attorney Brendan Fitzgerald were also present. Trish Dabney, Mark Kilmer, KBA, Bob Chase, NEIC, Jim Perry, Nicole Stephens, and Stanley Hallowich were absent

Minutes: J. Morcom made a motion to accept the minutes of 10/17/24 as presented, seconded, C. Tomaine. All in favor, motion carried.

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

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

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| American Rescue Plan Fund | 124,773.89 |
| Capital Reserve - DPW | 1,040.64 |
| Capital Reserve - Police | 6,244.82 |
| Crime Watch Fund | 222.69 |
| General Fund - Community | 79,541.58 |
| General Fund - FNB | 6,177.28 |
| Holiday Lights Fund | 300.59 |
| Investment - General Fund | 1,112.07 |
| Investment - Liquid Fuels | 24,485.49 |
| Investment - Paving Fund | 1,123.65 |
| Investment - Recycling | 122.81 |
| Investment - Refuse | 175.12 |
| Liquid Fuels - FNB | 2,949.38 |
| Petty Cash | 196.50 |
| Recreations Fund | 27,281.70 |
| Recycling - Community | 5,821.60 |
| Refuse Checking - FNB | 128,461.50 |
| Total Checking/Savings | 410,031.31 |

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable

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|---------------------------|-----------|
| 200000 - Accounts Payable | 16,047.80 |
| Long Term Debt | 79,093.76 |

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

Ratify Bill Paid on 11/5/24 & 11/19/24: Motion was made to accept bills paid on 11/5/24 and 11/19/24 by B. Davis. Seconded by C, Cook. All in favor, motion carried.

Secretary Report: S. Lee asked if quotes were received for the 700 block of Mellow Ct as discussed at the previous meeting. The current council was not able to advise at this time. She also requested an update on interviews for the part-time code enforcement position. R. Hunt requested that two others volunteer to do the interviews with him. Carl and BobbieAnn offered to help do the interviews. Last S. lee requested assistance with looking over our numbers to see if it may be necessary to take a Tax Anticipation note.

Correspondence: None

Public Comment: None

Professional Reports:

Police: Absent

Fire: J. Morcom advised that between the two companies, we have 10 people finishing their fire training.

EMA: Absent

Solicitor: None

Code Enforcement: NA

Grants: None

Zoning: Absent
Engineer: Absent
Tax Collector: Absent
Mayor: None

Committee Reports:

Planning Commission: None

Public Safety: None

Finance: None

Shade Tree: None

Grants: None

MS4: None

Recreations: S. Lee advise that we did purchase a spreader that was discussed at the last meeting, at a cost of \$1,645.50, to be used to fertilize the parks, and salt our sidewalks that the borough is responsible for maintaining in the winter.

DPW: None

Budget advertisement- A motion was made to advertise the proposed 2025 budget as presented by J. Morcom. Seconded by C. Tomaine. All members in favor. Motion carried.

Resolution 20-2024- LSA grant- Rushbrook creek phase 1 – A motion was made to pass Resolution # 20-2024 a resolution of the governing board of the borough of Jermyn, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, hereby authorizing the submission of a DCED statewide local share assessment grant application for the Rushbrook creek project – phase 1 as presented by J. Morcom. Seconded by B. Davis. All members in favor. Motion carried.

Grant administration agreement- LSA grant- Rushbrook creek phase 1 – Motion to sign the grant administration agreement- LSA Grant- Rushbrook creek phase 1 as presented by C. Tomaine. Seconded by C. Cook. All members in favor. Motion carried.

Resolution 21-2024- PennDOT MTF grant- curb & sidewalk project – Motion to pass Resolution # 21-2024, a resolution of the borough to the establishment and maintenance of the Jermyn police pension plan as presented by J. Morcom. Seconded by C. Cook. All members in favor. Motion carried.

Grant administration agreement- PennDOT MTF grant- curb & sidewalk project – Motion to sign the grant administration agreement- PennDOT MTF Grant- curb & sidewalk project as presented by J. Morcom. Seconded by C. Cook. All members in favor. Motion carried.

Executive Session Council convened into executive session at 7:16 pm for to discuss litigation matters. Council reconvened from executive session at 7:23 pm.

Police contract for 2025- A motion to pass the proposed Collective Bargaining Agreement between Jermyn Borough and the Jermyn Police Department Association, contingent on the amount of the short-term disability not exceeding \$3,000.00 per year; If so, they will instead be given the 180 sick days accumulated throughout their tenure with the borough was made by J. Morcom. Seconded by C. Tomaine. All in favor, motion carried.

New business: None

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn by J. Morcom. Seconded by C. Cook. All members in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Shannon Lee, Secretary/ Treasurer