

**TATAMY BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY MARCH 1, 2021 AT 7:30 P.M.**

The regular meeting of the Tatamy Borough Council was held Monday, March 1, 2021 via teleconferencing. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Council President Robert Hayes.

ROLL CALL

The following Council members were present at the meeting: Daniel Dewey, Robert Hayes, Pamela Pearson, Kristine Porter, Joseph Rago, Robert Wagner, and Frank Young. Also present were Amanda Pearson, Jr. Council member, David Jordan, Solicitor, Deanne Werkheiser, Secretary/ Treasurer, Ryan McGinley, Public Works Supervisor, and Keith Snyder, Police Chief. All attended virtually. Mayor Christopher Moren was absent.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Robert Hayes asked if there were any comments from the floor regarding agenda items. Susan Hutnik introduced herself. She is running for Magistrate. Jackie Tashner is retiring. Susan gave a brief presentation of her background and qualifications. She thanked Council for their time.

APPROVAL OF OFFICER DEREK BRANDS

Police Chief Keith Snyder stated that he is requesting Council approve Derek Brands as part time Police Officer on behalf of Mayor Christopher Moren. He is 23 years old, Graduated from Bangor High School, Northampton Community College, and the Allentown Police Academy. Keith stated that since he is new to the field, he can be trained per Tatamy's requirements. A motion was made by Pamela Pearson, seconded by Kristine Porter to approve Derek Brands as part time probationary Police Officer. Motion approved unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the February 3, 2021 Meeting Minutes.

A motion was made by Pamela Pearson, seconded by Kristine Porter to approve the February 3, 2021 minutes. Motion approved unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance of General Fund as of 2/1/21	\$88,783.95
Deposits: 2/1/21-2/24/21	\$92,378.11
Disbursements:2/1/21-2/24/21	\$61,741.39
TOTAL	\$113,744.58

Bank Balances:	Fidelity Bank as of 2/24/2021
Checking	\$123,645.45
Savings	\$37,815.07
Refuse	\$58,789.47
Highway Aid	\$16,986.93

Operating Reserve	\$85,197.48
Recreation Fund	\$185,373.68
All other Accounts	\$154,136.26
Building, Grant, Paving, Police Vehicle, Relief, Truck/ Equipment, Broad St. paving- UGI	
The total balance of all funds for the Borough	\$661,944.34

Escrow	\$13,158.67
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A motion was made by Robert Wagner, seconded by Pamela Pearson to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion approved unanimously.

DISBURSEMENTS AND RECEIPTS

Checks paid out between meetings General Fund- February \$61,741.39

Unpaid Bills Details	\$22,237.65	
Escrow-	\$9,995.61	Highway Aid-\$4,086.00
		General Fund- \$8,156.04

A motion was made by Daniel Dewey, seconded by Kristine Porter to approve the Disbursements and Receipts with the addition of the \$2,200.00. Motion approved unanimously.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Finance Committee Chairwoman Pamela Pearson gave the report. Council had copies of the February 24, 2021 meeting minutes. The Committee met virtually.

1. Pamela stated that the Public Works truck purchase will be discussed under the Public Works report.
2. Curt Scott billings are being reviewed.
3. 2019 LSA Grant reimbursement received.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN

The Capital Improvements Chair Pamela Pearson stated that the Capital Improvements Plan committee meeting was cancelled.

Robert Hayes stated that he did speak with Brien Kocher regarding building/ concept designs for Municipal Building so that work on these could start.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

The Public Safety Chair Daniel Dewey stated the Public Safety Committee meeting was cancelled.

WORKPLACE SAFETY COMMITTEE

The Workplace Safety Chair Deanne Werkheiser stated that the Workplace Safety Committee meeting was cancelled.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Public Works Supervisor Ryan McGinley gave the report.

Ryan stated that he is looking to purchase a used pickup truck. This will allow him to maintain the current trucks. During winter months the salt spreader is on the pickup truck. They need something to use for necessary work that can take the wear and tear. Liquid Fuels money will be used for the purchase He is looking to spend \$4,500.00 on a truck and \$650.00 on a plow set up. After the last snow storm all three plows needed to be repaired. A motion was made by Daniel Dewey, seconded by Pamela Pearson to purchase a pickup truck and plow for up to \$5,650.00 from the Highway Aid Fund. Motion approved unanimously.

FIRE COMPANY REPORT

Fire Company President Kim Albert was not present. Deanne read the chief's report for January and February 2021.

196.30 -man hours for the month of January with 6 incident and 15 activities.

218.56 -man hours for the month of February with 2 incident and 15 activities.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Christopher Moren was not present. Keith Snyder gave the Police Incident report for February. Keith Snyder stated there were 91 incidents for the month of February.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Planning Commission- Chairman, Mark Cloeren was not present. Deanne Werkheiser stated that the Planning Commission meeting was cancelled.

ZONING OFFICER REPORT

Zoning Officer- John Soloe was not present.

ZONING HEARING BOARD

Zoning Hearing Board – Chairman, Larry Kish was not present.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

David Jordan, Solicitor stated he had nothing to bring before Council.

David reminded Council he will be retiring April 1, 2021.

SEWER AUTHORITY

The Sewer Authority Chairperson Stephen Riegel was not present.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1 A preconstruction meeting with UGI is scheduled for Thursday March 4, 2021.
- 2 A speed study done for Palmer Township on Commerce lane was received from Langan. The study recommends 25 MPH which coincides with what Tatamy would like to see as the posted speed. It will be some time before the roads are ready to be turned over to Tatamy. Ryan McGinley estimates it will

be a couple of months. David Jordan stated until the streets are turned over, the Police can cite speeders under reckless driving. He will look into other options.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Robert Hayes stated that the extension for Tatamy Farms major subdivision expires March 31, 2021. Tuskes would like to see the extension renewed until June 30, 2021. A motion was made by Pamela Pearson, seconded by Kristine Porter, to accept extension for Major Subdivision submitted by Tuskes Homes. Motion approved unanimously.
2. FEMA flood risk project information was received. Studies to begin in February and last approximately six months.
3. Pennsylvania American Water sent a new shut-off agreement. David Jordan has reviewed it. It will need to be accepted and signed by the Tatamy Sewer Authority.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Robert Hayes asked if there were any comments from the floor.

None at this time. A discussion ensued as to the need for two comments from the floor sections. David Jordan stated that two are not required as long as all issues are covered during the comments from the floor section.

CORRESPONDENCE

Robert Hayes stated nothing was received.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

- 1 Council meeting Monday April 5, 2021.
- 2 LVPC zoom meeting March 30, 2021.
- 3 Kristine Porter stated that BSC is asking residents to write letters to DEP asking for a public hearing on Buzzi permit.
- 4 State Ethics forms are due May 1, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Pamela Pearson, seconded by Kristine Porter to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm. Robert Hayes adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Deanne Werkheiser, Secretary/ Treasurer