

The Bloomsburg Town Council held a Council meeting on Monday, November 11, 2024 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, Town Hall and via teleconference. The public joined by dialing: +1 646 558 8685 U.S. and included the meeting ID: 456-920-3798. The public could also join online at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4569203798>.

Mayor Justin Hummel called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., present were Council members James Garman, Jaclyn Kressler, Nick McGaw, Jessica Jordan and Maria Valentin. Town Manager/ Secretary/ Treasurer Lisa Dooley, Town Solicitor Matt Turowski, Chief of Police Scott Price, Public Works Director John Fritz, Director of Code Enforcement Mike Reffeor, Recycling Coordinator/ Director of Community Services Charles Fritz, BJ Teichman, and Fire Chief Scott McBride. Also attending were Andrew Barton, MJ Mahon, Dawn Moore, Jared Fenstermacher, Corey Honabach, and Jared Harris. Attending via Zoom were Susan Holdren, Dennis, David Hill, Barbara Coladonato, Steve Coladonato, Clo, Karla Chapman, Madison, Vincenzo Lopiccolo, Carey Smith, BL, Jim, Mike Wallace, Kat Holdren, Bower, Michael Wallace and a public number.

Citizens to be heard.

Dawn Moore questioned Council on what action they would be taking with Bonnie Crawford. She stated that under the circumstances, Ms. Crawford should be removed from the Committee's and as the Vice President of Council. Solicitor Turowski stated that the Town would have no comment due to the issue being in the court system.

Jared Fenstermacher inquired whether the police chief has made any progress on signage for the pedestrian crosswalk on East Street. Chief Price stated this item will be on the next Safety Committee agenda for discussion.

Mr. Fenstermacher also asked about signage on the Bloomsburg Area Recreational Trail and Ft. McClure Blvd. alerting motorists that bicycles are still allowed to use the roadway. This will also be placed on the Safety Committee agenda.

APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 28, 2024 COUNCIL MEETING.

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by J. Kressler, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the minutes from the October 28, 2024 Council meeting.

RESOLUTION 11.11.2024.01- LSA YMCA- YMCA WILL APPLY.

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Kressler, and voted on unanimously, Council approved Resolution 11.11.2024.01 – LSA YMCA.

RESOLUTION 11.11.2024.02- LSA RECYCLING – TOWN OF BLOOMSBURG WILL APPLY.

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Kressler, and voted on unanimously, Council approved Resolution 11.11.2024.02 – LSA Recycling.

RESOLUTION 11.11.2024.03- LSA POLICE VEHICLE- TOWN OF BLOOMSBURG WILL APPLY.

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Kressler, and voted on unanimously, Council approved Resolution 11.11.2024.03 – LSA Police Vehicle.

RESOLUTION 11.11.2024.04- MAIN STREET MATTERS MARKET STREET/ PEDESTRIAN SAFETY- LIVIC CIVIL WILL APPLY.

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Kressler, and voted on unanimously, Council approved Resolution 11.11.2024.04 – Main Street Matters Market Street/Pedestrian Safety.

RESOLUTION 11.11.2024.05- MAIN STREET MATTERS ROAD DIET- LIVIC CIVIL WILL APPLY.

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Kressler, and voted on unanimously, Council approved Resolution 11.11.2024.05 – Main Street Matters Road Diet.

RESOLUTION 11.11.2024.06- TINY HOUSES- TOWN OF BLOOMSBURG WILL APPLY.

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Kressler, and voted on unanimously, Council approved Resolution 11.11.2024.06 – Tiny Houses.

RESOLUTION 11.11.2024.07- MULTIMODAL MARKET STREET PROJECT. NOTE: THIS IS THE SAME RESOLUTION FROM THE 10/28/2024 MEETING BUT WITH AN UPDATED GRANT REQUEST FROM LIVIC CIVIL.

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Kressler, and voted on unanimously, Council approved Resolution 11.11.2024.07 – Multimodal Market Street Project.

RESOLUTION 11.11.2024.08- CODE BLUE WITH AGAPE INCLUDING THE SECURITY POLICY AS EXHIBIT B.

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Kressler, and voted on unanimously, Council approved Resolution 11.11.2024.08 – Code Blue with AGAPE including the security policy.

RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER LIST OF BILLS.

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by J. Kressler, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment of the following monthly bills: General Fund \$1,480,926.89, Recycling Fund \$84,434.26, Street Lighting Fund \$6,580.22, Fire Fund \$13,463.50, Pool Fund \$8,678.69, Liquid Fuels Fund \$209,061.46, Airport Fund \$3,300.00, CDBG Entitlement Fund \$33,148.00, Swift \$189,751.50 and the October Payroll Authorization \$378,534.95.

APPROVAL OF LISTING ALL THE SPARE POLICE VEHICLE SEATS ON MUNICIBID.

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Kressler, and voted on unanimously, Council approved listing all spare police vehicle seats on Municibid.

APPROVAL OF ACCEPTING SEAN ANTHONY'S RESIGNATION WITH THE BLOOMSBURG PARKING DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE 10/30/2024.

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved accepting the resignation of Sean Anthony from the Bloomsburg Parking Department effective 10/30/2024.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO THE PENNSYLVANIA LABOR & INDUSTRY REGARDING THE 2025 SOLVENCY FEE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,637.53.

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by M. Valentin, and voted on 2 to 5, (J. Jordan and M. Valentin voting yes and N. McGaw, J. Hummel, J. Garman, J. Kressler voting no), Council did not approve payment to the Pennsylvania Labor & Industry regarding the 2025 solvency fee in the amount of \$6,637.53.

APPROVAL OF AN ABUSE PREVENTION AND RESPONSE POLICY.

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Kressler, and voted on unanimously, Council approved an abuse prevention and response policy.

APPROVAL TO HAVE A PUBLIC WORKS MEMBER BE PLACED ON THE RENAISSANCE COMMITTEE IN ADDITION TO RANDI FETTERMAN REMAINING ON THE COMMITTEE.

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by J. Kressler, and voted on unanimously, Council approved to have a public works employee placed on the Renaissance Committee in addition to Randi Fetterman.

RECOMMENDATION ON APPROVING THE FRIENDS OF THE POOL TOWEL FUNDRAISING IDEA AND E-MAIL SHARING WITH A CONSENT BOX ADDITION ON THE TOWN'S SEASON PASS HOLDER APPLICATION.

On a motion by J. Kressler, seconded by N. McGaw, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the Friends of the Pool towel fundraising idea and e-mail sharing with a consent box addition on the Town's season pass holder application.

RECOMMENDATION ON SETTING NEW RATES FOR THE 2025 SEASON AT THE POOL: DAILY ADMISSION INCREASE FROM \$6 TO \$7.

On a motion by J. Kressler, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved setting the new rates for the 2025 season at the pool: daily admission increase from \$6 to \$7.

APPROVAL OF THE NEW SEASON PASS STRUCTURE BELOW.

On a motion by J. Kressler, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, council approved setting the new season pass structure: \$95 (1 person), \$90 (2 people), \$85 (3 people), \$80 (4 people), \$75 (5 people), \$70 (6 people), \$65 (7 people), \$60 (8 people), \$55 (9 people), \$50 (capped at 10).

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO MITCHELL KNORR CONTRACTING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,023.92 REGARDING THE BLOOMSBURG AREA RECREATIONAL TRAIL.

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Jordan, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to Mitchell Knorr Contracting in the amount of \$5,023.92 regarding the Bloomsburg Area Recreational Trail.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO SOKOL, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,520 FOR A PATCH IN THE ALLEY BEHIND TRINITY HOUSE. THE RECOMMENDATION IS TO UTILIZE THE STREET EXCAVATION FUNDS.

On a motion by J. Jordan, seconded by J. Kressler, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to Sokol, Inc. in the amount of \$2,520 for a patch in the alley behind Trinity House using street excavation funds.

RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE SERVICES FROM LIVIC CIVIL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,000 FOR THE MS4 ANNUAL REPORT AND REVISING THE POLLUTION REDUCTION PLAN.

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Jordan, and voted on unanimously, Council approved services from LIVIC Civil in the amount of \$18,000 for the MS4 annual report and revising the pollution reduction plan.

APPROVAL OF A CHANGE ORDER WITH KUHARCHIK FOR A TIME EXTENSION. NOTE: LIVIC CIVIL WILL PROVIDE AT THE MEETING.

No action was taken, this item will be placed on the Public Works Committee for further review.

COMMITTEE DECIDED NOT TO PUBLICLY REQUEST ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR 2024 AND RETAIN LIVIC CIVIL. APPROVAL OF THE 2025 PAY RATES WITH LIVIC CIVIL.

On a motion by J. Kressler, seconded by J. Jordan, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the 2025 pay rate schedule with LIVIC Civil.

REVIEW OF THE AIRPORT ROOF ENGINEERING QUOTES. NOTE: A PUBLIC MEETING WAS HELD ON 9/30/2024. JAMES GARMAN WAS IN ATTENDANCE FROM COUNCIL.

1. PROVIDENCE- \$38,000
2. LIVIC CIVIL- \$42,000

The Council did not take any action on this item.

RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE PAYMENT TO ROBERT C. YOUNG INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$74,231 FOR WORK PERFORMED AT THE BLOOMSBURG RECYCLING CENTER. NOTE: THIS WILL BE 100% PAID FOR BY A RECYCLING GRANT.

On a motion by J. Kressler, seconded by J. Jordan, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to Robert C. Young in the amount of \$74,231 for work performed at the Bloomsburg Recycling Center. This work is 100% grant funded.

APPROVAL TO PLACE OUT TO BID THE SNARL PROJECT. NOTE: PLANS WERE SENT TO COUNCIL ON 11/8/2024.

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Kressler, and voted on unanimously, Council approved to place out to bid the SNARL project.

APPROVAL OF PLACEMENT OF A PEDESTRIAN SIGN IN THE PINE PARKING LOT WHERE MILLER AVENUE (NOW PRIVATELY OWNED) FLOWS INTO THE LOT.

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Kressler, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the placement of a pedestrian sign in the Pine parking lot where Miller Avenue flows into the lot.

APPROVAL OF AN INVOICE FROM ARCHCENTRAL ARCHITECTS DATED 11/5/2024 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,457.66.

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Kressler, and voted on 1 to 5, (N. McGaw voting yes and J. Hummel, J. Kressler, J. Garman, J. Jordan and M. Valentin voting no), Council did not approve payment to Archcentral Architects.

APPROVAL OF ENTERING WITH SWISHER DISPOSAL INC. FOR 2025 SERVICES. NOTE: THE 2024 RATE IS INCLUDED IN THE PACKET FOR COMPARISON.

On a motion by J. Kressler, seconded by M. Valentin, and voted on unanimously, Council approved Swisher Disposal, Inc. for the 2025 services.

RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE ADVERTISING THE PARK BENCH SPONSOR AT \$850.

On a motion by N. McGaw, seconded by J. Jordan, and voted on unanimously, Council approved advertising the park bench sponsor program at \$850 per bench.

REVIEW OF THE COMMUNITY RESILIENCE MEMORANDUM.

Charles Fritz provided an overview of the CRS memorandum.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO PETERS CONSULTANTS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,612.50 REGARDING THE HOUSING ELEVATION PROJECT FOR 334 E. 9TH STREET. NOTE: THIS INVOICE IS 100% COVERED BY GRANT FUNDS.

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by J. Jordan, and voted unanimously, Council approved payment to Peters Consultants, Inc. in the amount of \$5,612.50 regarding the housing elevation project for 334 E. 9th Street.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO PETERS CONSULTANTS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,790 REGARDING THE HOUSING ELEVATION PROJECT FOR 334 E. 9TH STREET. NOTE: THIS INVOICE IS 100% COVERED BY GRANT FUNDS.

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by J. Jordan, and voted unanimously, Council approved payment to Peters Consultants, Inc. in the amount of \$5,790 regarding the housing elevation project for 334 E. 9th Street.

A motion to adjourn was made by J. Garman, seconded by J. Kressler, and voted on unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Lisa Dooley
Town Manager/Secretary/Treasurer