

RIEGELSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

Municipal Building

APPROVED January 10, 2024

President Thomas Stinnett called the regular meeting of the Riegelsville Borough Council to order at 7:00 pm January 10, 2024. **If anyone makes inappropriate comments, tries to sell something, is attacking someone, etc. you will be removed from this meeting.**

The Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call: PRESENT: Ed Bartosiewicz, G. Chase, Michael Pulsinelli, Rodney Scott, Thomas Stinnett, Mayor Boenzli and Borough Solicitor-Scott MacNair.

Motion to approve December 13, 2023, Council Meeting minutes, **R. Scott motioned to approve, M. Pulsinelli Seconded. Unanimous.**

Motion to approve January 2, 2024, Council Re-org minutes, **G. Chase motioned to approve, E. Bartosiewicz Seconded. Unanimous.**

CORRESPONDENCE: None to report.

REPORTS:

President: T. Stinnett introduced new Borough Solicitor- Scott A MacNair with Clemens Richter & Reiss, Doylestown, PA, and Scott has worked there for 18 years. The firm's primary focus is representing municipalities. Scott added that he has worked with several Board of Supervisors in Township's and Zoning Hearing Boards. Scott has handled multiple enforcement action at both the District Court and Court of Common Pleas levels. Scott will be the primary contact and Vicki Kushto would act as co-solicitor. Vicki has over 21 years representing Boroughs and Townships in Delaware, Chester, and Bucks Counties through all aspects of municipal operations, especially The Right to know Law.

Mayor: Viana had nothing to report.

Report: Sherry Masteller appointed Open Records Officer (ORO)

December 2023

3 RTK's received in December. 2- Rosa Cortes & Mike Mitchell, 1- Kate Robeson-Grubb

1-RTK: Withdrew.

1-RTK: Final viewing of documents.

1-RTK: Waiting for the applicant to set a date to view documents.

0-Denials.

No new appeals. **YTD: 0**

YTD total received: 71. YTD: 2- Smart Procure, 1- Brendan Breslin, 1- Prime Builder, 1-MGM Law, 1-Tyler Okeefe, 1-Trileaf, 1- Lien One Inc., 2- Evan Kechley, 53-Robert Ryan, 1- Allium Data, 1- Mike Cavallaro. 1- River Rock Management LLC. 1-Steller Innovation, 1-AB Plus Estate Investment, 2-Rosa Cortes & Mike Mitchell, 1- Kate Robeson-Grubb.

Open Records Officer Hours: 2 1/4 hours - Total \$45.02 to process, gather documents and if needed forward requests to agencies of the Borough. ORO YTD pay: \$1,558.42. ORO-Appeals YTD pay: 0.

Treasurer: YTD pay: \$193.64.

Zoning officer: YTD pay: \$157.50.

Solicitor fees: YTD pay: \$225.00.

COMMENTS OF CITIZENS: Please state your name, you have 3 minutes to speak.

5 members of the Community were present. Robert Ryan, Borough Resident asked Scott MacNair what he did for the DA? Scott MacNair reported that that he handled all types of cases including misdemeanor and felony level cases at all stages of the criminal justice process. Scott MacNair left in June 2006 to join Clemons Richter & Reiss, P.C.in July 2006.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: No meetings due to holidays.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: If anyone has any questions please comment prior to the vote.

Approval of Resolution R-1-24 TCC Tax Collection Committee Appointment 2024 Gary Chase. **R. Scott motioned to approve; M. Pulsinelli seconded. Unanimous.**

Approval of the 2023 Exoneration (10) list for Per capita tax. **E. Bartosiewicz motioned to approve; G. Chase seconded. Unanimous.**

Approval of 2023 Delinquent & Interim delinquent per capita tax (110). **R. Scott motioned to approve, G. Chase Bartosiewicz seconded. Unanimous.**

The Borough Tax Collector's 2023 Lien summary report (Municipal \$5,103.84) was filed with Bucks County Tax Claim.

Approval of quote \$3,500.00 from Cowan Associates- Borough Engineer, "Water Tapping Fee update". **R. Scott motioned to approve; E. Bartosiewicz seconded. Unanimous.**

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Approval of check \$2,633.75 to Pennoni Associates, Inc. (Crosswalks, Storm Water, grant app). **G. Chase motioned to approve; M. Pulsinelli seconded. Unanimous.**

Approval of check \$868.00 to Grim, Biehn & Thatcher- William D Oetinger (Solicitor for BOCA Appeal). **E. Bartosiewicz motioned to approve; R. Scott seconded. Unanimous.**

NEW BUSINESS: G. Chase reported that the 2023 General Fund had a revenue net surplus of 12.5% for the year 1/1/23-12/31/23. G. Chase noted that the Water Fund and Highway Aid Fund also showed a net revenue surplus for this same time period. Gary wanted to publicly thank Tammy Macaluso, Matt Brady, Sherry Masteller, and all Riegelsville employees for their good and hard work and for their efforts in helping to keep the Borough's costs down. Gary also thanked the Borough Council for its efforts in doing the same.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: **E. Bartosiewicz motioned to approve; G. Chase seconded. Unanimous.**

The meeting adjourned 7:37 PM.

Next Council meeting: February 14, 2024, at 7:00pm.

Sherry Masteller
Borough Secretary