

**MINUTES
BOROUGH COUNCIL
August 23, 2023
7 P.M.**

The Council Meeting was held in-person at Borough Hall. Council members present were: Ms. Jordan, Ms. Johnson, Mr. Rufe, Mr. Trotter, Mr. Blatt, Mr. McCandless, Mr. Trabel and Mayor Johnson. Also in attendance were Jason Quarry (Interim Borough Manager & Public Works Supervisor), Cordula Voges (Finance Director), Keith Zehner (Zoning Officer), Ed Bachert (Police Chief), and guests.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President Blatt called the meeting to order and asked for everyone to rise for the Pledge to the Flag.

MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of August 7, 2023

	Motion	2nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Annamarie Jordan	x		x			
Jamie Johnson			x			
Wilbert Rufe			x			
Doug Trotter			x			
Philip Trabel		x	x			
Stew McCandless			x			
Norman E. Blatt Jr.			x			
Mayor Johnson						

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR/ PRE-SCHEDULED – None

NEW BUSINESS

- **Meyner Center for the Study of State & Local Government** – Assistance with the recruitment of a borough manager

Council President Blatt asked if there was a motion to accept Ms. Beckett’s proposal as presented.

	Motion	2nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Annamarie Jordan			x			
Jamie Johnson	x		x			
Wilbert Rufe			x			
Doug Trotter		x	x			
Philip Trabel			x			

Stew McCandless			x			
Norman E. Blatt Jr.			x			
Mayor Johnson						

DRAFT RESOLUTIONS FOR REVIEW

**BOROUGH OF FOUNTAIN HILL
LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
RESOLUTION 2023-19**

*APPROVAL OF THE SALE OF THE 2006 FORD EXPLORER WITH A FAIR MARKET VALUE
OF LESS THAN \$2000*

Mr. Quarry added that the vehicle was checked by the Broadway Service Center, and it was recommended to be sold as scrap.

Council President asked if there was a motion to approve the sale.

	Motion	2nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Annamarie Jordan			x			
Jamie Johnson			x			
Wilbert Rufe	x		x			
Doug Trotter			x			
Philip Trabel		x	x			
Stew McCandless			x			
Norman E. Blatt Jr.			x			
Mayor Johnson						

MOTIONS

The Pastor of St. Paul’s Lutheran Church, Ms. Werkheiser, at 1056 Delaware Ave, Fountain Hill had notified the Police Chief of its 2nd Annual Community Day on September 2nd from 9 am to 2 pm. The Community Day offering will include free ice cream. The Pastor encouraged both the Police Department (with hand-outs) and the Volunteer Fire Co. (Fire Truck display) to get involved in its community day activities.

The Pastor asked to temporarily block off Delaware Ave to the alley on Hoffert Street during the church event.

Council President Blatt asked if there was a motion to approve the request.

	Motion	2nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Annamarie Jordan	x		x			
Jamie Johnson			x			
Wilbert Rufe			x			

Doug Trotter			X			
Philip Trabel		X	X			
Stew McCandless			X			
Norman E. Blatt Jr.			X			
Mayor Johnson						

DRAFT ORDINANCES FOR REVIEW & ADVERTISEMENT – None.

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL PASSAGE – None.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Ostrum Street Project – Review and approval of final contract**

Mr. Rufe commended Mr. Quarry for having initiated the project and brought it to fruition. Council President Blatt asked if there is a motion to approve the contract as presented.

	Motion	2nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Annamarie Jordan			X			
Jamie Johnson			X			
Wilbert Rufe			X			
Doug Trotter		X	X			
Philip Trabel			X			
Stew McCandless	X		X			
Norman E. Blatt Jr.			X			
Mayor Johnson						

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR – Discussion on Non - Agenda Items - None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – (Police Matter) & ADJOURNMENT

The agenda was amended to include the discussion of police matters under “Executive Session”.

At 7:16 pm Council President Blatt asked to adjourn the Council meeting and asked Council to move into an executive session to discuss police matters. Ms. Johnson made the motion, seconded by Mr. Trabel and unanimously approved.

BOROUGH OF FOUNTAIN HILL
 LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
 By:

 Norman E Blatt - President of Council

ATTESTED

BY: _____
Jason Quarry, Interim Borough Manager

SUBMITTED

BY: _____
Cordula Voges, Finance Director

Next Ordinance – 879
Next Resolution – 2023-20

Approved