

**BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
December 19, 2023**

A meeting of Boyertown Borough Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Council President Frank Deery. Council members present in addition to Mr. Deery were Barry Christman, Jeffrey Cascino, Keith Endy, Charles Neubauer, and Gene Gabel. Council member Charles Heller was absent.

Also in attendance were Mayor Lorraine Carnes, Borough Manager Patricia Loder; Bruce Hansley, Street Supervisor; Ralph Schoenly and Alex Eidle, Inframark LLC; Jason Newhard, SSM, Inc.; and Tom McHugh.

All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Deery called for public comment; no comments were forthcoming.

Mr. Deery made a motion, second by Mr. Neubauer, to approve the minutes of the December 4th, 2023 meeting of Council. The motion was approved by the membership present.

Mr. Deery made a motion, second by Mr. Christman, to approve the Final Budget for 2024. The roll call vote reflected the following members voting “yes”: Mr. Christman, Mr. Cascino, Mr. Endy, Mr. Neubauer, Mr. Gabel, and Mr. Deery. The motion was approved by the membership present.

Mr. Deery made a motion, second by Mr. Endy, to approve Ordinance Number 05-23 setting the Real Estate Tax for the year 2024 at 9.04 mills. The roll call vote reflected the following members voting “yes”: Mr. Christman, Mr. Cascino, Mr. Endy, Mr. Neubauer, Mr. Gabel, and Mr. Deery. The motion was approved by the membership present.

Mr. Deery made a motion, second by Mr. Gabel, to authorize the County of Berks to print and mail the 2024 municipal tax bills on behalf of the Borough of Boyertown and to bill the Borough a proportionate amount of the cost of tax bill forms and postage expense incurred. The roll call vote reflected the following members voting “yes”: Mr. Christman, Mr. Cascino, Mr. Endy, Mr. Neubauer, Mr. Gabel, and Mr. Deery. The motion was approved by the membership present.

Mr. Deery made a motion, second by Mr. Cascino, to approve Resolution Number 12-19-23 appointing Long & Barrell Certified Public Accountants to perform an audit of all Borough accounts for fiscal year 2023. The roll call vote reflected the following members voting “yes”: Mr. Christman, Mr. Cascino, Mr. Endy, Mr. Neubauer, Mr. Gabel, and Mr. Deery. The motion was approved by the membership present.

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There being no further business to conduct, a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m. was made by Mr. Neubauer and second by Mr. Cascino. The next meeting of Boyertown Borough Council will be Tuesday, January 2nd, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,
Patricia A. Loder
Borough Secretary