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COUNCIL FOR THE BOROUGH OF DUNMORE

HELD:

Monday, February 10th, 2025

TIME:

6:00 P.M.

LOCATION:

DUNMORE COMMUNITY CENTER  
1414 Monroe Avenue  
Dunmore, Pennsylvania

C O U N C I L M E M B E R S :

- JANET BRIER - President.
- KATHERINE OVEN - Vice President
- MICHAEL DEMPSEY
- THOMAS HALLINAN
- ELIZABETH ZANGARDI
- WILLIAM O'MALLEY, III
- PATRICK LOUGHNEY
- GREG WOLFF, Borough Manager
- MICHAEL P. PERRY, Esquire, Solicitor

MARIA McCOOL, RPR  
OFFICIAL COURT REPORTER

1 (Pledge of Allegiance.)

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3 MR. WOLFF: Roll call, Mayor Conway.

4 MAYOR CONWAY: Here.

5 MR. WOLFF: Mr. Loughney.

6 MR. LOUGHNEY: Here.

7 MR. WOLFF: Mr. Dempsey.

8 MR. DEMPSEY: Here.

9 MR. WOLFF: Mr. O'Malley is absent.

10 Mrs. Brier is absent. Mrs. Mackrell Oven.

11 MS. OVEN: Here.

12 MR. WOLFF: Mrs. Zangardi.

13 MS. ZANGARDI: Here.

14 MR. WOLFF: Mr. Hallinan.

15 MR. HALLINAN: Here.

16 MR. WOLFF: Here by video. Number  
17 three, public comment on agenda items.

18 MS. OVEN: Would anyone from the  
19 public like to comment on agenda items only?

20 MR. WOLFF: Number four, motion to  
21 approve the minutes of the meeting from the  
22 January 13th, 2025 meeting.

23 MS. OVEN: Can I get a motion to  
24 approve the minutes of the meeting from January  
25 13th, 2025?

1 MR. LOUGHNEY: So moved.

2 MR. DEMPSEY: Second.

3 MS. OVEN: Anyone on the question?

4 All those in favor.

5 ALL MEMBERS: Aye.

6 MR. WOLFF: Item number five, motion  
7 to approve and pay the open bills.

8 MS. OVEN: Can I get a motion to  
9 approve and pay the open bills?

10 MR. DEMPSEY: So moved.

11 MR. LOUGHNEY: Second.

12 MS. OVEN: Anyone on the question?

13 All in favor?

14 ALL MEMBERS: Aye.

15 MR. WOLFF: Number six, motion to  
16 adopt Ordinance No. 1 of 2025 amending the  
17 Police Deferred Retirement Option Plan, the  
18 DROP.

19 MS. OVEN: Can I get a motion to  
20 adopt Ordinance No. 1 of 2025 amending the  
21 Police Deferred Retirement Option Plan?

22 MR. DEMPSEY: I'll make that motion.

23 MS. ZANGARDI: I'll second.

24 MS. OVEN: Anyone on the question?

25 Greg, do you want to --

1 MR. WOLFF: Just real quick, we had  
2 to amend the Police Department had a DROP  
3 Ordinance. We passed it I believe in the  
4 summer. With the settlement that we had with  
5 the Chief Marchese, we had to make some  
6 amendments specifically for the timeframe for  
7 Mr. Marchese -- Chief Marchese, I should say,  
8 and how long he has to sign up.

9 So once we approve this ordinance,  
10 if this ordinance is approved, he'll have 30  
11 days to enroll in the DROP Program for himself.

12 MS. OVEN: Thank you, Greg. All in  
13 favor.

14 ALL MEMBERS: Aye.

15 MR. WOLFF: Number seven, motion to  
16 appoint Mike Brazil to full-time status for  
17 Code Enforcement Rental Registration.

18 MS. ZANGARDI: I'll make that  
19 motion.

20 MS. OVEN: Can I get a motion to  
21 appoint Mike Brazil to full-time status for  
22 Code Enforcement and Rental Registration?

23 MS. ZANGARDI: I'll make that  
24 motion.

25 MR. LOUGHNEY: Second.

1 MS. OVEN: Greg, do you want to just  
2 talk?

3 MR. WOLFF: Sure. Mike Brazil has  
4 been working part time Tuesdays and Thursdays  
5 in our office. He's been working Code  
6 Enforcement. He's been helping get together --  
7 put together a Rental Registration Ordinance  
8 and program.

9 He's been doing inspections kind of  
10 Swiss army knife of Code Enforcement issues  
11 that we have been having. He's been helping  
12 with the Feral Cat Program. So we're looking  
13 to move to full-time status of which the rental  
14 registration when that -- that should be taking  
15 effect July 1st will cover the fees of --  
16 cover his salary -- the fees from the rental  
17 registration.

18 MS. OVEN: Thank you.

19 MR. WOLFF: So he's looking for  
20 full-time status.

21 MS. OVEN: All in favor?

22 ALL MEMBERS: Aye.

23 MR. WOLFF: Treasury Report, Mark?

24 MR. BURTON: Good evening, Council.  
25 My brief summary for the month of January,

1           2025. It was basically a break-even month, a  
2 net loss of \$59.78. As far as revenue is  
3 concerned, we received 5,000 for the  
4 state -- the Music Fest Grant; miscellaneous  
5 revenue 20,000 for the Express Scripts, their  
6 third quarter rebate of 2024.

7                       Special assessments of 630K from the  
8 fourth quarter of 2024 landfill fees. And we  
9 had a 200,000 draw on the TAN to cover the  
10 first payroll and operating expenses of the  
11 year.

12                      As far as expenses are concerned, it  
13 was a three pay period month. Police Station  
14 expenses, \$50,000 for the coding computer  
15 systems and another -- highway maintenance snow  
16 and ice, \$38,000 for rock salt. That's about  
17 it.

18                      ALL MEMBERS: Thank you, Mark.

19                      MR. WOLFF: Mr. Kearney is absent.  
20 Mr. Judge.

21                      MR. JUDGE: Hello. Well, we're in  
22 the middle of winter so we do a lot of salt.  
23 We're out just about every morning, you know?  
24 And last weekend we worked the whole weekend.

25                      MS. OVEN: Are you cold patching a

1 lot?

2 MR. JUDGE: We just got cold patch.

3 MS. OVEN: Because some spots -- so  
4 we can give you a call?

5 MR. JUDGE: We have to get a list  
6 together because there's some beauties. You  
7 know, it's the time of year, you know?

8 MS. OVEN: Okay.

9 MR. JUDGE: But I can't get hot  
10 stuff yet so we'll --

11 MS. OVEN: We'll do the cold.

12 MR. JUDGE: All right. So just  
13 we'll get a list together. We'll sit down and  
14 get a list together. All right?

15 MS. OVEN: Okay. Thanks.

16 MR. LOUGHNEY: Didge, is recycling a  
17 day or two behind?

18 MR. JUDGE: Right now we're on.  
19 Tomorrow we'll be on schedule. We had two  
20 trucks down last week.

21 MR. LOUGHNEY: Mine is today but it  
22 wasn't --

23 MR. JUDGE: Yeah, we got killed last  
24 week.

25 MR. LOUGHNEY: And before we get

1 everybody on the internet or whatever calling,  
2 if we have to put something out there that --

3 MR. JUDGE: Right. I'll get with  
4 you in the morning. I'll know more about it in  
5 the morning.

6 MR. LOUGHNEY: I'm just saying if  
7 it's going to be a couple of days, it's better  
8 to put it out there.

9 MR. JUDGE: Yeah, let them know. We  
10 had trucks go down last week. That's why we  
11 were a little behind last week. But that's all  
12 straightened out.

13 MR. LOUGHNEY: Okay.

14 MR. JUDGE: Okay, so if you have  
15 anything.

16 MS. OVEN: Okay. Thank you.

17 MR. WOLFF: Chief Marchese is  
18 absent. Chief DeNaples.

19 CHIEF DENAPLES: Good evening,  
20 Council. As far as for expenditures for  
21 February, the only steep expenditure right now  
22 is the annual service for the ladder truck.  
23 They come in and do the pump, the generator,  
24 the chassis.

25 There's a couple gauges that need to



1           be replaced on that in addition to the service.  
2           So for the service itself, we're looking at  
3           about \$3,950. That hasn't increased from last  
4           year barring that there is no other issues  
5           found. The gauges, they're getting me a price  
6           on that.

7                        As far as overtime scheduled from  
8           when this report was completed January 31st for  
9           February, was 96 hours. So that went down a  
10          little bit with, you know, vacations now being  
11          prevalent now, etc.

12                       Fifty part-time shifts were put out  
13          for the month of February again when I  
14          formulated this report. We did receive at the  
15          end of last month our water company grant from  
16          Pennsylvania American Water was \$500.

17                       So we were able to replace some  
18          equipment with that that's needed. Lieutenant  
19          Shigo did check the online system for the FEMA  
20          grant. He said they're moved into the review  
21          process for the gear. So probably they won't  
22          start awarding them for another couple months.

23                       And they do that in phases, so  
24          probably by July, August it will be completed.  
25          So we'll know whether we made any of the rounds

1 or not by then. So I'll keep everybody posted  
2 as we continue to check that online system.

3 As far as for call volume from  
4 February 1st to February 10th, today at the  
5 close of business, we had a total of 16 fire  
6 department responses; one fire; one rescue and  
7 emergency medical type service calls; six  
8 service calls. A lot of them are actually  
9 smoke alarm installs. They are put in that  
10 category as service calls.

11 Good intent was one; false alarms  
12 was seven. That's where we come up with a  
13 total of 16. As far as for Code Enforcement,  
14 there was four Code Enforcement inspections  
15 scheduled. There may be some more that come up  
16 during the course of the month.

17 There was four as of noon today when  
18 I checked with Faith. That's pretty much all I  
19 have for the Code Enforcement and Fire if there  
20 is no questions.

21 ALL MEMBERS: Thank you, Chief.

22 MR. WOLFF: Number 10, public  
23 comment.

24 MS. OVEN: Would anyone from the  
25 public like to comment?

1 MR. WOLFF: Number 11, Public  
2 Officials, I have nothing.

3 ATTY. PERRY: Nothing.

4 MAYOR CONWAY: Just want to thank  
5 Vic Fangio for a great game yesterday. It's  
6 changed my life. That's all I have.

7 MR. LOUGHNEY: Yeah, I'll second  
8 that, Mayor. Vic did a great job. The Eagles  
9 did a great job. And Dunmore was mentioned. I  
10 heard it once anyhow on the broadcast, so  
11 congratulations.

12 MR. DEMPSEY: Congratulations to  
13 Coach Fangio even though I'm a Giant's fan, but  
14 happy for him and Sanquon. And for (cross  
15 talking) it wasn't a total loss for me. That's  
16 all I have.

17 MS. OVEN: I'm good.

18 MS. ZANGARDI: I'm good except for  
19 Vic Fangio again. Congratulations, Dunmore.  
20 And that's it for me.

21 MS. OVEN: Hal.

22 MR. HALLINAN: Oh, yeah, I'll say  
23 Vic Fangio and unbelievable job by the Eagles.  
24 And also, Didge, the guys did a great job with  
25 all the ice storms and snowstorms. And thank

1           you guys for doing everything you did. That's  
2           all I got. Thank you.

3                       MS. OVEN: Okay. Can I get a motion  
4           to adjourn?

5                       MR. LOUGHNEY: So moved.

6                       MR. DEMPSEY: Second.

7                       MS. OVEN: All those in favor.

8                       ALL MEMBERS: Aye.

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