

**MINUTES
UNION CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL
DECEMBER 11TH, 2007**

Vision Statement: “The Union City area is a thriving rural community of families, businesses and organizations dedicated to encouraging growth while maintaining small town values.”

The meeting of the Union City Borough Council was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by President Brumagin. The meeting was held at the Union City Area High School Large Group Instruction Room.

Councillors present were Brumagin, Balog Bowes, Buell, Hoban, Tubbs and Junior Council Carly Gilson.

Officials present were Borough Manager Cheryl Capela, Mayor Paul Capela, Police Chief Kevin Jones and Solicitor Timothy Wachter.

Visitors present were Roy Hanks, Charles Steadman, Alice Jane Ross, Paul Maynard, Dustin Kolaja, Mike Wienczkowski and Shawn Tharp.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: It was moved by Councillor Balog and seconded by Councillor Buell to adopt the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

MOTION ON MINUTES: It was moved by Councillor Bowes and seconded by Councillor Balog that all Councillors having read the minutes of the Council Meeting held November 20th, 2007, be approved. Motion carried.

MOTION ON SECRETARY’S REPORT: It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Buell that the Secretary’s Report be accepted and made a part of the minutes of this meeting. Motion carried.

MOTION ON BILLS: It was moved by Councillor Balog and seconded by Councillor Buell that the unpaid bills be ordered paid and those paid be approved. Motion carried.

MAYOR: Mayor Paul Capela said he would like to wish everyone a happy

holiday.

REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING: The Borough Manager said she would like to remind Borough Council about the Reorganizational Meeting to be held Monday, January 7th, 2008.

SPECIAL MEETING: The Borough Manager said a Special Meeting will be held on Thursday, December 27th, 2007 at 7:00 at the City Building to approve the Budget and the new Emergency Service Tax.

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE: Solicitor Timothy Wachter said he has taken the edits given to him by Councillor Bowes on the Property Maintenance Code. He said he does have a couple of questions and will continue to work on it and have something prepared for Borough Council to consider.

MOTION TO ADOPT THE 2008 TAX ORDINANCE: It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Buell to adopt the 2008 Tax Ordinance. A roll call vote was taken. All Councillors voted yea. Motion carried.

COUNCIL TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPOINTING MONAHAN AND MONAHAN AUDITORS FOR THE YEAR 2008: The Resolution appointing Monahan and Monahan auditors for the year 2008 was read by the Borough Manager.

MOTION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPOINTING MONAHAN AND MONAHAN AUDITORS FOR THE YEAR 2008: It was moved by Councillor Balog and seconded by Councillor Bowes to adopt a Resolution appointing Monahan and Monahan auditors for the year 2008. A roll call vote was taken. All Councillors voted yea. Motion carried.

COUNCIL TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION ELIMINATING THE POLICE OFFICERS' CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE POLICE PENSION FUND FOR THE YEAR 2008: The Resolution eliminating the Police Officers' contributions to the Police Pension Fund for the year 2008 was read by the Borough Manager.

MOTION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION ELIMINATING THE POLICE OFFICERS' CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE POLICE PENSION FUND FOR THE YEAR 2008:

It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Bowes to adopt a Resolution eliminating the police officer's contributions to the Police Pension Fund for the year 2008. A roll call vote was taken. All Councillors voted yea. Motion carried.

MOTION TO ADOPT AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING FEES FOR FILING APPLICATIONS FOR ZONING CERTIFICATES, FEES FOR AN APPEAL TO THE ZONING HEARING BOARD, FEE FOR FILING PETITIONS WITH THE UNION AREA PLANNING COMMISSION, AND SETTING FORTH THE AMOUNT OF DEPOSIT FOR ADVERTISING TO ACCOMPANY A PETITION TO THE UNION AREA PLANNING COMMISSION:

It was moved by Councillor Bowes and seconded by Councillor Hoban to approve adopting the Ordinance establishing fees for filing applications for Zoning Certificates, fees for an appeal to the Zoning Hearing Board, fee for filing petitions with the Union Area Planning Commission, and setting forth the amount of deposit for advertising to accompany a petition to the Union Area Planning Commission. A roll call vote was taken. All Councillors voted yea. Motion carried.

COUNCIL TO APPOINT OFFICIALS TO THE FOLLOWING BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY BOARD: President Brumagin said a letter was received by the Municipal Authority requesting that Borough Council reappoint Norm Troyer to the board.

It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Bowes that Howard Buell be appointed to the Municipal Authority Board to serve until December 31st, 2012. Councillor Balog, Bowes, Buell, Hoban and Tubbs voted yea. Councillor Brumagin abstained. Motion carried.

ZONING HEARING BOARD: It was moved by Councillor Bowes and seconded by Councillor Buell that Ron Combs be appointed to the Zoning Hearing Board as an alternate to serve until December 31st, 2010. Motion carried.

LIBRARY BOARD: It was moved by Councillor Bowes and seconded by Councillor Buell that Joy Luebbert and Martha Blair be appointed to the Library Board to serve until December 31st, 2010. Motion carried.

RECREATION COMMISSION: It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Bowes to table the appointment to the Recreation Commission. Motion carried.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION: It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Buell that Bill Flynn be appointed to the Civil Service Commission to serve until December 31st, 2010. Motion carried.

VACANCY BOARD: It was moved by Councillor Bowes and seconded by Councillor Balog that Mike Wienczkowski be appointed to the Vacancy Board serve until December 31st, 2008. Motion carried.

REPRESENTATIVE TO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ERIE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF BOROUGHES: It was moved by Councillor Bowes and seconded by Councillor Hoban that Cheryl Capela be appointed as the Representative to the Executive Committee of the Erie County Association of Boroughs. Motion carried.

COUNCIL TO APPOINT AN INDIVIDUAL TO THE WATERSHED ADVISORY COMMITTEE: President Brumagin said Borough Council needs to appoint an individual to the Watershed Planning Advisory Committee.

MOTION TO APPOINT DAN BRUMAGIN TO THE WATERSHED ADVISORY COMMITTEE: It was moved by Councillor Bowes and seconded by Councillor Hoban to appoint Dan Brumagin to the Watershed Advisory Committee. Motion carried.

CHAIN OF COMMAND: President Brumagin said in the Pennsylvania Magazine, they had a flow chart on the chain of command. He said he feels this is a good idea and we should develop one to be put with the Personnel Policy.

MOTION TO ACCEPT OFFICER BOB WOLF'S RESIGNATION WITH THE UNION CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT: It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Buell to accept officer Bob Wolf's resignation with the Union City Police Department effective December 30th, 2007. Motion carried.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 2008: It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Bowes to approve the following list of Fire Department Officers for the year 2008:

Chief	James Dodd
Deputy Chief	Edward Eastman
1 st Assistant Chief	John Fielding
2 nd Assistant Chief	James Edwards
Captain	Terry Ranyak
Lieutenant	Jonathon Stephens
President	Clinton Chapman
Vice President	Cara Babcock
Fire Police Captain	Wallace Ehrhart

Motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS: Councillor Balog said he would like to welcome Paul Maynard as the new Street Supervisor.

MOTION TO TABLE ADOPTING AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS FOR OPERATION AND PARKING OF MOTOR VEHICLES DURING SNOW EMERGENCIES AS DEFINED HEREIN AND DESIGNATED BY THE MAYOR, DURING SNOW AND ICE STORMS AND DURING SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL FROM BOROUGH STREETS AND SETTING FORTH PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF THE SAME, REPEALING INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES, PROVIDING FOR PARTIAL INVALIDITY, AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE: It was moved by Councillor Balog and seconded by Councillor Buell to table adopting an Ordinance establishing regulations for operation and parking of motor vehicles during snow emergencies as defined herein and designated by the Mayor, during snow and ice storms and during snow and ice removal from Borough Streets and setting forth penalties for violation of the same, repealing

inconsistent ordinances, providing for partial invalidity, and establishing an effective date. Motion carried.

Mayor Paul Capela said he will be meeting with Paul Maynard to discuss the possible snow routes. He said he will have the routes available for approval at the Special Meeting.

UNION CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY: Councillor Buell said the Library Board would like to thank the streets department for plowing their parking lot.

He said the Library Board is looking for a grant to pave the lower parking lot.

PERSONNEL AND PLANNING: Councillor Bowes said he would like to remind members of Borough Council that the Route 6 Heritage Plans are now available to review on the website.

Councillor Bowes gave an update on the Union City Pride Projects.

INFORMATIONAL SUMMARY: There being no objection, the Informational Summary will stand approved and be made a part of the minutes of this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: It was moved by Councillor Balog and seconded by Councillor Tubbs that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:18 P.M.

ATTEST: _____
Borough Manager