BOROUGH OF HEIDELBERG

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 17, 2024

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Heidelberg Council met on September 17, 2024, at the Community Room, 1639 E. Railroad St. Heidelberg, Pa. President Duda called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Pledge of Allegiance. Councilman Jones offered a prayer.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:	**Also Present:**
John Duda, President	Ken LaSota, Mayor
Raymond Losego, VP	Solicitor Murray
Rick Pattinato, Councilman	
Dorothy McCartney, Councilwoman	
Charles Jones, Councilman	

COUNCIL PRE-MEETING WORKSHOP

Discussions were held on the following items.

1. Set dates for Budget Meetings
2. Discuss restoration paving procedure to be completed by Peoples Gas
3. Discuss bids for Blight Removal Properties
4. Discuss Agreement for McKnight Property Management LLC.

End Council Pre-Meeting Workshop.

COUNCIL GENERAL MEETING:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

MOTION:

Ms. McCartney made a motion, seconded by VP Losego, to approve the August 20, 2024, Council meeting minutes.

Motion carried unanimously.

REPORT OF BOROUGH COUNCIL COMMITTEES

A. FINANCE & PUBLIC PROPERTY:

Mr. Jones made a motion, seconded by Ms. McCartney, to approve payment of the August 2024 invoices, General Fund $29,109.37 and Payroll $47,101.93, Liquid Fuels $2,888.33, Sewer Fund $4,284.38, Rental Fund $7,091.88 and Recreation $33.60.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Pattinato made a motion, seconded by Ms. McCartney, to approve payment of the September 2024 Invoices from General Fund $32,264.21, Sewer Fund $9,417.19 and Recreation Fund $300.00

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to advertise Budget Meeting to be held every Monday beginning October 7, 2024, through November 25, 2024, at 6:30 at the Community Room – 1639 E. Railroad Street, Heidelberg PA 15106

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Pattinato made a motion seconded by Mr. Jones to accept the bid from Green Development and Construction LLC. in the amount of $34,000.00 for the Blighted Properties Project.

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Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. McCartney made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pattinato, to table an agreement between Heidelberg Borough and McKnight Property Management LLC.

Motion Tabled

B: ROADS AND PUBLIC HEALTH

Mr. Jones Reported:
Open Park & restrooms daily
Grass Cutting
Clean Community room

Painting Crosswalks in Borough are completed except for Ellsworth Avenue.
Cut Hillside on Route 50
Oak Alley paving was completed
Trash was removed throughout the Borough
Maintenance performed on Public Work Vehicles.

C: PLAN AND ZONING

No Planning report.

D: RECREATION AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

American Sign Language (ASL) classes have been completed. Five classes were conducted at no charge to the Borough by Debbie Gates.
Borough wide garage sale being held Saturday September 21, 2024.
Halloween Parade will be held Sunday October 20, 2024, at 1 PM starting on Ellsworth Avenue continuing to Fire Hall where a Magic Show will be held.
Senior Picnic to be held at Industry Way Park on September 19, 2024, beginning at 12 PM.

E: PUBLIC SAFETY

Chief Pollak reported that Fall Fest is being held on October 5, 2024.

F. SHACOG

No report

NEW BUSINESS

Vice President Losego discussed changing current Ordinance regarding Paving Restoration.

OLD BUSINESS

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

No Report

SOLICITOR REPORT

No report

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor LaSota reported on the summary police statistics covering the period of August 1, 2024, through August 31, 2024. During that time, the Department received 286 calls for service, of which 47 were reportable incidents.

Mayor LaSota reported that a Police Officer will be present at the Fall Fest held on October 5, 2024.

PUBLIC COMMENT:
None

GOOD OF THE ORDER:
None

EXECUTIVE SESSION
Council entered executive session at 7:13 PM to discuss The Conditional Use application for 409 1st Street for a Grocery Store.
Council exited executive session at 7:25 PM.

Ms. McCartney made a Motion, seconded by Mr. Pattinato to approve the application for 409 1st Street for a Grocery Store with the following conditions:

- No additional outdoor lighting will be installed
- Fireplaces on 2nd floor will be enclosed
- Basement will not be used (but will be cleaned out)
- 2nd floor will only have electricity (no other utilities)
- Indoor stairs will be removed - entry to 2nd floor and basement will be outside stairs only
- No indoor dining – take out only
- Hours will be Monday – Saturday 9 am to 5 pm
- No deliveries to be made between 9 PM and 7 AM
- Vegetative buffers will be on property to conceal dumpster area, and along the south and west sides of the parking lot to serve as a border.
- Parking lot will be resurfaced
- Deliveries will be made through front door
- No games of skill or chance will be on property
- Construction will be during normal daylight hours

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Pattinato made a motion seconded by Mr. Jones to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM.