BOROUGH OF HEIDELBERG

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

DECEMBER 17, 2024

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Heidelberg Council met on December 17, 2024, at the Community Room, 1639 E. Railroad St. Heidelberg, Pa. Vice President Losego 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 (Arrived at 7:35 PM)	Ken LaSota, Mayor (Via Phone)
Raymond Losego, VP	Solicitor Murray
Dorothy McCartney, Councilwoman	
Charles Jones, Councilman	
Richard Pattinato, Councilman	

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

Executive Session:

Entered Executive Session at 6:40 pm.

Executive Session ended at 7:20 PM.

COUNCIL PRE-MEETING WORKSHOP

Discussions were held on the following items.

1. Discussed hiring a full-time public works employee was discussed in Executive Session.
2. Discussed amendment of Street Opening and Restoration Ordinance.
3. Discussed military banners for the Borough.

End Council Pre-Meeting Workshop.

COUNCIL GENERAL MEETING:

MOTION:

Mr. Jones made a motion, seconded by Ms. McCartney, to approve the November 19, 2024, Council meeting minutes.

Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION:

Ms. McCartney made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jones to approve the Council Budget meeting Minutes of Oct 7, Oct. 14, Oct. 21 and Oct. 28, 2024.

Motion carried unanimously.

REPORT OF BOROUGH COUNCIL COMMITTEES

A. FINANCE & PUBLIC PROPERTY:

Mr. Pattinato made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jones, to approve payment of the November 2024 invoices, General Fund $36,937.66 and Payroll $33,194.96, Liquid Fuels $2,736.29 Sewer Fund $65,683.46, Rental Fund $1,596.95 and Recreation $185.00.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Pattinato made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jones to approve payment of the December 2024 Invoices from General Fund $78,264.33, Sewer Fund $4,579.66.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to hire a full-time public works employee.

Motion Tabled

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jones made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pattinato, to approve Ordinance 651 which amends street opening and restoration in the Borough.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Pattinato made a motion, seconded by Ms. McCartney to approve Resolution 02-2025 for Chief of Police wages and benefits for 2025.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Pattinato made a motion, seconded by Ms. McCartney to approve Resolution 03-2025 for Police Wages and benefits for 2025.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jones made a motion, seconded by Ms. McCartney to approve Resolution 04-2025 for Public Works Wages and benefits for 2025.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Pattinato made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jones to approve Resolution 05-2025 for Secretary Wages for 2025.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jones made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pattinato to approve Resolution 06-2025 for the increase of Alcosan Sewage Rate for 2025.

Motion carried unanimously.

B: ROADS AND PUBLIC HEALTH

Mr. Jones Reported:
Decorations and Lights were installed at Ellsworth Park for First Night of Lights.
Lights were installed on Route 50.
Met with Contractor that is removing the Blighted Properties in the Borough.
Salted Roads in the Borough.
Reported Street Lights that need replaced to Duquesne Light,

C: PLAN AND ZONING

The realtor has been showing the property for lease at 600 Industry Way.

D: RECREATION AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

Ms. McCartney thanked Volunteers, Public Works and Heidelberg Volunteer Fire Department for their help at First Night of Lights.
No Recreation meeting will be held in January, meetings in 2025 will be held on the Second Tuesday of each month at the Community Center at 6:30 PM.
Senior's Christmas celebration will be held on December 19, 2024, at Osaka.

E: PUBLIC SAFETY

Santa travelled through the Borough on December 15, 2024.

F. SHACOG

Shacog approved the Blight Removal Project.

NEW BUSINESS

OLD BUSINESS

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

No Report

SOLICITOR REPORT

No report. The solicitor will not attend the January and February 2025 Council meetings.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor LaSota reported on the summary police statistics covering the period of November 1, 2024, through November 30, 2024. During that time, the Department received 236 calls for service, of which 41 were reportable incidents.
Mayor announced that Heidelberg Borough is being recognized as a Banner Community.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Sharon Wicobroda discussed her past due sewage account.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Mayor LaSota stated that HTM Designs website has digitized copies of the Borough's Military Banners.
Mayor LaSota wished all the residents a Merry Christmas and to the Orthodox residents that celebrate Christmas on January 7, 2025.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Jones made a motion seconded by President Duda to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 PM.