

CONYNGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION
Tuesday, December 17, 2024

Conyngham Borough Council met in Regular Session on Tuesday, December 17, 2024 at 6:10 p.m. in Council Chambers, Municipal building, 215 Main Street, Conyngham, Pennsylvania. The meeting was called to order by Council President Gary Gregory, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and roll call was taken.

Roll Call:

Present: Gregory, Keegan, Ryba, Tihansky.

Absent Bartlinski, Evancho, Veet.

Others Present: Solicitor, Manager, Chief.

Absent: Mayor.

Citizens: Linda Grencavich, Barbara Kenvin, Marc Eble.

Public Comment: Barbara Kenvin requested whether Council considered grant options to fund Borough as opposed to tax increase. President Gregory responded that the Borough has received over three (3) million dollars in grant funding over the past decade. Discussion ensued.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion

Motion to Approve Minutes from Regular Session November 19, 2024; Continued Session December 3, 2024 – Ryba. Second – Keegan.

Questions on the Motion: None.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Mayor: LC 911 Center received eighteen (18) calls for offenses, incidents, and/or requests for the month of November for Conyngham Borough. Additionally, while on duty CBPD responded to twenty-six (26) incidents and/or requests. Eight (8) traffic warnings and four (4) traffic citations were issued. Report is on file.

Fire, Rescue & EMA: Conyngham had one (1) Fire and Rescue calls for the month of November.

Treasurer: The Treasurer reviewed the November report in detail. A copy of the report is available for public inspection and is on file.

Motion

Motion to Approve November Financial Report – Tihansky. Second – Keegan.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bartlinski	-	Absent	Evancho	-	Absent
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Keegan	-	Affirmative
Ryba	-	Affirmative	Tihansky	-	Affirmative
Veet	-	Absent			

The Treasurer provided a list of obligations in the amount of \$ 72,723.87 to be approved.

Motion

Motion to Approve the Bills – Ryba. Second – Tihansky.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bartlinski	-	Absent	Evancho	-	Absent
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Keegan	-	Affirmative
Ryba	-	Affirmative	Tihansky	-	Affirmative
Veet	-	Absent			

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Motion

Motion to Adopt 2025 Budget & Tax Ordinance – Ryba. Second – Keegan.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bartlinski	-	Absent	Evancho	-	Absent
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Keegan	-	Affirmative
Ryba	-	Affirmative	Tihansky	-	Affirmative
Veet	-	Absent			

Motion

Motion to Table Appointing Auditor Term Expiring 12/31/25 – Ryba. Second – Gregory.

Questions on the Motion: None.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Solicitor:

Motion

Motion to Approve Addendum to Racho Contract – Ryba. Second – Keegan.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bartlinski	-	Absent	Evancho	-	Absent
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Keegan	-	Affirmative
Ryba	-	Affirmative	Tihansky	-	Affirmative
Veet	-	Absent			

Motion

Motion to Approve Addendum to Eibach Contract – Ryba. Second – Tihansky.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bartlinski	-	Absent	Evancho	-	Absent
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Keegan	-	Affirmative
Ryba	-	Affirmative	Tihansky	-	Affirmative
Veet	-	Absent			

Motion

Motion to Approve Addendum to Sparich Contract – Ryba. Second – Tihansky.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bartlinski	-	Absent	Evancho	-	Absent
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Keegan	-	Affirmative
Ryba	-	Affirmative	Tihansky	-	Affirmative
Veet	-	Absent			

Motion

Motion to Approve Addendum to Falatko Contract – Ryba. Second – Keegan.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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Bartlinski	-	Absent	Evancho	-	Absent
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Keegan	-	Affirmative
Ryba	-	Affirmative	Tihansky	-	Affirmative
Veet	-	Absent			

Recreation:Motion

Motion to Appoint Nancy Weston to Recreation Board Term Expiring 12/31/29 - Ryba. Second -- Keegan.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bartlinski	-	Absent	Evancho	-	Absent
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Keegan	-	Affirmative
Ryba	-	Affirmative	Tihansky	-	Affirmative
Veet	-	Absent			

Planning & Zoning: Zoning Report not available.

Motion

Motion to Advertise 2025 Planning Commission Meeting Schedule – Gregory. Second – Ryba.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bartlinski	-	Absent	Evancho	-	Absent
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Keegan	-	Affirmative
Ryba	-	Affirmative	Tihansky	-	Affirmative
Veet	-	Absent			

Luchi Subdivision has been accepted for review by the Conyngham Borough Planning Commission. Applicant to appear at January Planning meeting to address revisions made.

Motion

Motion to Appoint Tara Lilley to Planning Commission Term Expiring 12/31/28 – Ryba. Second - Keegan.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bartlinski	-	Absent	Evancho	-	Absent
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Keegan	-	Affirmative
Ryba	-	Affirmative	Tihansky	-	Affirmative
Veet	-	Absent			

Motion

Motion to Appoint Ric Patton to Planning Commission Term Expiring 12/31/28 – Ryba. Second - Tihansky.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bartlinski	-	Absent	Evancho	-	Absent
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Keegan	-	Affirmative
Ryba	-	Affirmative	Tihansky	-	Affirmative
Veet	-	Absent			

Motion

Motion to Table Appointment to Planning Commission Term Expiring 12/31/28 – Ryba.

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Second - Tihansky.

Questions on the Motion: None.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Motion

Motion to Appoint Anita Reber to Zoning Hearing Board Term Expiring 12/31/27 – Ryba.
Second - Tihansky.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bartlinski	-	Absent	Evancho	-	Absent
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Keegan	-	Affirmative
Ryba	-	Affirmative	Tihansky	-	Affirmative
Veet	-	Absent			

Motion

Motion to Appoint Joseph Veet as Alternate to Zoning Hearing Board Term Expiring 12/31/27 – Ryba. Second - Keegan.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bartlinski	-	Absent	Evancho	-	Absent
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Keegan	-	Affirmative
Ryba	-	Affirmative	Tihansky	-	Affirmative
Veet	-	Absent			

Motion

Motion to Table Appointment of Uniform Construction Board Member Term Expiring 12/31/29 – Ryba. Second - Tihansky.

Questions on the Motion: None.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Department of Public Works:

Motion

Motion to Approve DPW Foreman Babenko Three Year Contract – Ryba. Second – Keegan.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bartlinski	-	Absent	Evancho	-	Absent
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Keegan	-	Affirmative
Ryba	-	Affirmative	Tihansky	-	Affirmative
Veet	-	Absent			

Building & Grounds:

Motion

Motion to Approve 2025 Building Use Brookhill - Keegan. Second – Tihansky.

Questions on the Motion: None.

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Grants: Two LSA Grant Applications have been submitted for Whispering Willows Park Study to Alleviate Flooding & Restroom & Pavilion Restoration.

Penn DOT Multimodal/LSA Grant Infrastructure & Safety Enhancement Project are continuing as weather permits.

LC ARPA Park Connectivity Project will be fully unveiled in Spring of 2025.

LC CDBG Engineering Design is underway for bidding in early 2025.

CSJMA:

Motion

Motion to Appoint Wister Yuhas to CSJMA Board Term Expiring 12/31/29 – Ryba. Second – Tihansky.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bartlinski	-	Absent	Evancho	-	Absent
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Keegan	-	Affirmative
Ryba	-	Affirmative	Tihansky	-	Affirmative
Veet	-	Absent			

Marc Eble of CSJMA provided updates on Inflow & Infiltration projects scheduled which include slip lining sewer main underway and West Benjamin Avenue in design.

Discussion ensued regarding additional EDU allocation once I&I is removed.

Sewer Plant upgrade is ongoing. Awaiting final approval from Sugarloaf Township.

Awaiting scheduling of Penn Vest closing.

New Business:

Motion

Motion to Advertise 2025 Council Meeting Schedule – Ryba. Second – Keegan.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bartlinski	-	Absent	Evancho	-	Absent
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Keegan	-	Affirmative
Ryba	-	Affirmative	Tihansky	-	Affirmative
Veet	-	Absent			

Old Business: None.

Catch-All: None.

Public Comment: Barbara Kenvin questioned possibility of Endowment Fund.

Motion to Adjourn at 6:56 pm – Ryba. Second – Keegan.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

ATTEST:


Secretary