



Call to Order:

The President of Council called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM

Roll Call:

Giles
Nigro
Parker
Ruiz
Sepesy
Vahosky
Vargo
Franklin-Robinson

Also Present:

Mayor: Cletus Lee
Manager: Nathan 'Jay' Bish
Foreman: Jerome Sepesy
Solicitor: Lisa Michel
Code Officer: Anthony Rydzak

Absent With Cause:

Breaston

Agenda:

A motion was made by Vargo and seconded by Parker to approve the agenda as presented.

Approved Unanimously

Minutes:

A motion was made by Sepesy and seconded by Vargo to approve the meeting minutes from the Borough Council Meetings held November 19th, 2024 as presented.

Approved Unanimously

Reports:

Engineer's Report
Mayor's Report
Code Enforcement Report
Foreman's Report
Tax Collector's Report
Managers/Treasurer's Report

Citizens:

Malea Russell (ACHD Climate Presentation): Spoke about the EJG2G grant program opportunity for the Borough, from the Allegheny County Health Department, collaborating with Steel Rivers COG, Turtle Creek Valley COG, and municipal leaders in the Mon Valley to increase climate resilience in environmental justice communities. The EPA Environmental Justice Government-to-Government grant will fund the development of Climate Resilience Plans in 15 municipalities and the implementation of 20 flood mitigation projects, including green stormwater infrastructure and



water-based cleanups. Talked about the beginning of the program for the Borough, and the steps to begin finding community members to start the Climate Resilience Committee, a group of 4-8 municipal leaders that, over the course of several weeks, contribute environmental health priorities, collect valuable feedback from residents, and develop strategies to strengthen the community's ability to withstand and adapt to the current and future effects of climate change for the Borough.

Mike Jones: Asked about status of a van parked on a vacant parcel on Primrose. Wished a happy holiday to the Borough Council and staff.

Jerome C Wilson: Wished happy holidays and new year to the Borough Council and staff.

Mandee Williams: Thanked the Borough Council and staff for the recent Christmas event. Spoke about upcoming events being held by the Braddock Carnegie Library in January, including a family game night on Thursday. Thanked the Borough Council and administration for the increase in Borough donation to the Braddock Carnegie Library.

Dave Yargeau: From MVI, stated 305 Hawkins Avenue was recently acquired and renovations should begin soon. Spoke about Act 152 demolitions that should be starting early next year.

New Business:

1. A motion was made by Parker and seconded by Giles to approve and adopt the 2025 Preliminary General Fund Budget in the amount of \$1,963,722.00.

Approved Unanimously

2. A motion was made by Vahosky and seconded by Sepesy to approve and adopt the 2025 Preliminary Refuse Fund Budget in the amount of \$731,712.00.

Approved Unanimously

3. A motion was made by Giles and seconded by Parker to approve and adopt the 2025 Preliminary Sewage Fund Budget in the amount of \$1,581,806.74.

Approved Unanimously

4. A motion was made by Giles and seconded by Parker to approve and adopt **Ordinance 24-01**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH BRADDOCK, ALLEGHENY COUNTY,
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, LEVYING A REAL ESTATE TAX FOR YEAR 2025 AND
FIXING THE RATE THEREOF; REPEALING PRIOR INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES OR



RESOLUTIONS TO THE EXTENT NECESSARY TO REMEDY THE INCONSISTENCY; AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Approved Unanimously

5. A motion was made by Giles and seconded by Parker to approve and adopt **Resolution 24-13**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH BRADDOCK, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, HEREBY AUTHORIZES NORTH BRADDOCK BOROUGH ADMINISTRATION TO APPLY FOR THE STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT PLANNING PROGRAM AND HEREBY ALLOCATES LOCAL RESOURCES IN THE AMOUNT OF 25/50/75% TO SAID PROJECT.

Approved Unanimously

6. A motion was made by Sepesy and seconded by Nigro to approve and adopt **Resolution 24-14**

A RESOLUTION OF NORTH BRADDOCK BOROUGH, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA SETTING THE SCHEDULE OF BOROUGH FEES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF 2025.

Approved Unanimously

7. A motion was made by Vahosky and seconded by Vargo to approve and adopt **Resolution 24-15**

A PROCLAMATION OF NORTH BRADDOCK BOROUGH PROCLAIMING THE HIGHEST APPRECIATION AND COMMENDATION TO CLARENCE McCALLISTER FOR HIS SELFLESS WORK AND HEROISM.

Approved Unanimously

8. A motion was made by Sepesy and seconded by Parker to approve the borough payrolls and monthly bills as presented.

Approved Unanimously

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Giles and seconded by Parker to adjourn the meeting at 8:46 PM

Approved Unanimously