Agenda - Pen Argyl Borough Council Meeting of Tuesday, December 12, 2023 – 7:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call:

<u>Visitors</u>:

Discussion and Final Adoption of Year 2024 Budget (D8):

General Fund - \$2,847,109.00

Sewer Fund - \$1,527,600.00

State Fund - \$285,549.00

Reserve Fund - \$2,740,100.00

Garbage Wealth Fund - \$500,000.00

Reserve Wealth Fund - \$760,000.00

Tax Structure:

Real Estate Tax Millage - 13 Mills (No tax increase)

Per Capita - None

Local Services Tax (LST) - \$52.00

Real Estate Transfer Tax - 1% - Shared Equally with School District

Earned Income Tax - 1% - Shared Equally with School District

Sewer Rental Fee - \$114.00 Minimum Quarterly Charge per Unit/10,000 Gallons (Increase of \$9.00 Per Quarter), \$13.50 per Thousand Gallon over 10,000 Gallons, Schools to \$14.26 per person, and Non-metered wells \$171.10 per quarter.

Garbage Fee - Garbage Fee Waived for year 2024

The Borough Assessment Valuation for 2024 is \$66,900,200; 2023 was \$66,817,200; 2022 was \$66,969,800; 2021 was \$67,093,100; 2020 was \$67,029,500; 2019 was \$67,113,200; 2018 was \$67,092,500; and 2017 was \$67,572,400.

One (1) Mill equals \$66,900.20; less 5% uncollectible, collectible amount is \$63,555.19.

Prior years Millage: Years 2020 to present remain at 13 Mills.

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Ordinance #728 (D9) to increase the quarterly Sewer Rental Fees.

Ordinance # 729 (D10) for suspending 2024 charges for residential dwelling units' collection of municipal waste.

Ordinance # 730 (D11) to repeal sections 96-11 through 96-22 of the Code of the Borough of Pen Argyl to repeal the Borough's Per Capita Tax.

Resolution #2023-14 (D12) - for fixing 2023 Millage Rate.

Resolution #2023-15 (D13)- for Earned Income Tax, Local Services Tax (LST) and Property Transfer Tax for the Year of 2024:

Resolution # 2023-16 (D14) - to appoint Berkheimer Associates as Collector of the Local Services Tax (LST) and Keystone Collection Group as Collector of the Earned Income Tax for Year of 2024 (D16):

Public Works Report:

Monthly Report (D15). Gas and Oil Bid (D16). Handicap Parking Request – Broad Street (D17). Handicap Parking Request – S. Schanck (D18).

Zoning Report:

Monthly Report (D19). Zoning Denial (D1). PML Report (D20).

Police Report:

Agendas for 11/8/2023 & 11/16/2023, minutes 10/19/2023& 11/8/2023 (D2). Agenda 12/5/2023, minutes of 11/16/2023(D21).

Fire Chief's Report:

Minutes:

Council Meeting of 11/9/2023 (D22) and Special Council Meeting of 11/28/2023 (D23). Park Board 11/3/2023 Agenda, Minutes 09/13/2023(D3).

Correspondence:

Pennsylvania American Water Rate Filing (D4).

Mayor's Report:

PIP Program. Borough Projects. Community Events/Awards & Certificates. Employee Engagement. Slate Belt Regional Police / Public Safety.

Planning Commission:

Plan Slate Belt Meeting 12/7/2023 (D24). Railroad Avenue waiver for submission of preliminary and final plan combined.

Solicitor's Report:

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Sanitation, Solid Waste & Recycling:

Monthly Report (D25). Municipal Authority Agenda & Minutes (D26). Revised Memo, 12/11/2023, with work requests #1, #2 & #3 (D37). Change Order #2 time extension(D38).

Finance, Tax Exoneration, Insurance & Personnel:

Treasury Report (D30). Rescind motion of Animal Control Officer Contract. Triton donation.

Property & Utilities:

Community Outreach:

Feral Cat Report (D31). No Nonsense Neutering 2024 Contract (D32). Hometown Press contract for 2024 (D33). Holiday Lighting final 20 snowflake purchase quote (D34). Holiday Event.

Borough Manager's Report:

Monthly Report (D35). Borough Offices will be closed on 12/25/2023 and 1/1/2024. 2023 CDBG Grant for Playground Phase 2 in the amount of \$90,000.00. Manager off - 12/18/2023-12/28/2023. Re-organization meeting review.

Payment of Bills:

Bill Summary (D36). General Fund - \$16,801.65; Sewer Fund - \$43,790.73. and Reserve Money Market Fund - \$68,660.24.

Executive Session:

Adjournment:

January Re-Organization & Council Meeting - Tuesday, January 2, 2024 - 7:00 P. M. Workshop - TBD