

**Ivyland Borough Council  
Meeting Minutes  
November 13, 2024**

**CALL TO ORDER:** 7:00 PM

**ATTENDANCE:** Sal DiPaolo, Bill Linwood, Jahangir Nasir, Matt Piotrowski, Todd Savarese

**ABSENT:** Chuck Bristow, Krista DiPaolo, Recorder, Dr. Chis Finello, Janet Pacchioli, Treasurer

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mark Freed, Borough Solicitor, Mayor Tony Judice, Chris Peterson, Borough Engineer

**Establishment of Quorum:**

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

**Moment of Silence:**

**Minutes of 10/9/24:**

Mr. Savarese made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Linwood seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0-0.

- **Treasurer's Report:**

Mr. DiPaolo read the October 9, 2024 Treasurer's report. The balances are as follows as of 11/13/24:

General Fund:	
Balance on Hand:	\$429,658.11
Capital Reserve Fund*:	\$549,441.68
Liquid Fuel Fund:	\$76,310.15
Fire Company Account:	\$74,284.77
<b>Total Funds 10/8/24:</b>	<b>\$1,129,694.71</b>

The Treasurer's report was accepted, subject to audit. Budgeted funds for 2024 Capitol Accounts were transferred into them.

\*\$500,000 in CD

- **Bills List:**

Prepaid Bills List Total:	\$61,165.35
Unpaid Bills List Total	\$13,899.80

Mr. Linwood made a motion to pay the bills, Mr. Nasir seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0-0.

- **Correspondence:**

- a. The Borough's budget and tax ordinance will appear in the Intelligencer newspaper and the Borough's website as of 11/18/2024.
- b. The Borough Engineer presented a resolution (see Engineer's report)

- **Public Comment:**

- a. No public comment in person. No FaceBook comments.

- **Code Enforcement/Zoning Report:**

- a. No report

- **Report of President:**

- a. Mr. DiPaolo asked if everyone received their luminaries? All replied yes.

- **Engineer:**

- a. Mr. Peterson presented his report:
  - i. Navy demolition housing project: The application for final payment was submitted on October 23, 2024 in the amount of \$4,04.25 to GNR Excavating. Mr. Peterson made the recommendation to pay the final bill. Mr. Linwood made a motion to pay the bill, the motion was seconded by Mr. Savarese. Motion passed 5-0-0.
  - ii. Navy Housing Parcel: will be heretofore referred to as "Ivyland Park." The project is moving onto Phase II. This work will utilize the Greenways Trail Grant. Mr. Peterson requested that if scope of work is acceptable, the Borough authorize to solicit for bids to get that work underway and utilize the grant. Mr. Piotrowski shared a comment. He asked if there can be a path from the two seating areas to the dead end. This path would lead out to the sidewalk. Mr. Peterson said technical details can be added. There will be one more iteration before the plans are posted for the grant.

- iii. Mr. Nasir asked about the cost of the trail. Mr. Peterson does not currently have that information but will add that to the plan.
- iv. Mr. DiPaolo asked if Mr. Peterson had a copy of the resolution for him and the Mayor to sign. Mr. Peterson stated that he anticipates that Mrs. Pacchioli also needs to sign it and as she is not present tonight, the signing would take place at a later time. The resolution to be signed is for Phase III, not Phase II.
- v. A Motion was made to authorize bidding for CDC. Mr. Nasir made a motion, Mr. Linwood seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0-0.
- vi. Phase III: The changes from last month's meeting have been made. The new plans show that the crosswalk now goes to Willard Ave. This phase will also include a sidewalk along the North side of Willard Avenue and run all the way to the park. The plans were modified and the estimate reflects the improvements on the Phase III in the amount of \$246,759. This amount is the total that Carroll Engineering recommends be requested for the LSA Grant. There is a resolution draft for this. November 30, 2024 is the deadline for LSA Grant application. It was recommended that Council make a motion to move forward to broker that grant application. Mr. DiPaolo made a motion to approve the grant application. Mr. Linwood seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0-0. Mr. Peterson asked the solicitor if amendments need to be made to the resolution. Mr. DiPaolo made a motion to approve Resolution #2024-02 to apply for the LSA Grant. Motion was seconded by Mr. Linwood. Motion passed 5-0-0. Mr. Peterson confirmed the application will be in by the end of the month.

**Solicitor:**

- a. The Solicitor's report was received. Mr. Piotrowski asked about Animal Control. Specifically, what are the Borough's options if they do not use Warminster Animal Control? Mayor Judice spoke to a contact that was shared at the last meeting. Mayor Judice asked this person to come to the Borough Office, get a copy of the current Animal Control contract and to then offer Council a proposal to approve. To date, Mayor Judice has not received any proposal. Mr. Piotrowski asked if Council had to act on changing providers this evening. Mayor Judice stated we need to give Warminster 90 days notice to terminate our contract (end date May 2025). Mr. Freed stated he is unsure if the notice was sent. He recommended making a motion. Mr. Piotrowski shared the concern that when Warminster is notified of termination, what if the new company doesn't work

out? This topic was tabled until December's meeting, at which time the proposal may be received.

- **Unfinished Business:**

- a. Nothing to report

- **Mayor:**

- a. Police report: Monthly report for October 2024: 44 traffic citations, two written warnings and one reportable accident. The October 2024 court check was \$667.78.
  - b. The Ivyland PD received four letters of correspondence this month. The first letter to Chief Carey was received by Newtown Township Police Department regarding the Ivyland PD's assistance with a November 4, 2024 political event. The letter was to thank the department for the assistance. In addition, Ivyland PD assisted with a presidential candidate visit on October 20, 2024. There was a letter from New Britain Township thanking the Ivyland PD for their personnel support at an event at Our Lady of Czestova. The fourth letter to Chief Carey was from a motorist regarding Officer Petron who ticketed her. The letter was a thank you to the Ivyland PD for Officer Petron's kindness and professionalism.

- **Committee Reports:**

- a. *Park and Recreation:*
    - a. Mr. Nasir reported on the successful Bonfire and thanked the volunteers, the Mayor, the Fire Company, and all who participated
    - b. The Tree Lighting ceremony in the Village will occur on 11/30/2024 at 6:00 PM. Granieri is going to trim the tree to make it ready to light. Hot Chocolate and cookies will be available for neighbors to enjoy.
  - b. *Finance:* Mr. DiPaolo restated the posting of the budget and tax ordinance on the Borough website
  - c. *Public Safety:* Nothing to report
  - d. *Borough Property:* Mr. Piotrowski should have sample street signs for the December meeting for review. Mr. Savarese mentioned the "Welcome to Ivyland" sign has not been replaced (east side of Jacksonville). Mr. Savarese will follow up about ordering a new one. Mayor Judice stated that we may want to replace the one on Bristol Road to add the "National Registry" status.