

# Howard Borough Council

## Minutes of March 11, 2024, Meeting

Howard Borough Council met March 11, 2024.

Council Members Present: Philip Winchell, Andrew Kotzur, Autumn Hanley, Lydia Watters, Mayor Deb Simoncek, Bobby Yearick

Council members absent: John Gribble, Donna Benner

Guests present: Dave Watson CRRRA, Mimi Cooper CRRRA, Ed Hicks CRRRA, Bill Nearhoof, Zach Worth, Cody Strouse

Philip Winchell called the meeting to order.

Moved by Andy Kotzur, Bobby Yearick seconded, approving minutes from the February 12, 2024, Council Meeting. Motion passed.

### Citizen/Guests

Citizens and guests were reminded about the time limit on comments.  
(TIME LIMIT OF 4 MINUTES-Citizens present at any Borough Council Meeting or Committee Meetings have the option to speak at this time unless otherwise recognized by the presiding officer.)

Dave Watson, Mimi Cooper, Ed Hicks CRRRA were in attendance to answer questions from council and give updates on recycling in Howard Borough.

Bill Nearhoof was in attendance to let council know that Josh Collins is the new Fire Chief. April 20, 2024, is the Bloody Skillet exercise in WEP.

### Mayor

**Mayor Simoncek-** Deb Simoncek reported that trees will need replaced and will purchase those in April. Holes will need to be dug. Watershed cleanup is scheduled for April 20, 2024.

### Treasurer's Report

Moved by Andy Kotzur seconded by Autumn Hanley, to approve the February Treasurer Reports as presented. Motion Passed.

### Correspondences

**Outgoing** –

**Incoming** –Terry Williams/Dog Law

### Committee Reports

**Water-** Andy Kotzur reported that it has been five years since the tank has been cleaned and so he got an estimate from Liquid Engineering for \$7,000.00. Moved by Andy Kotzur seconded by Lydia Watters, to approve calling Liquid Engineering and being put on the schedule. Motion Passed.

**Streets** – Street sweeping will start during the week.

**Streetlights** –Zach Worth reported a light out on Graden & Howard Lydia reported this was fixed on Thursday. Lydia Waters reported that lines will need to be worked on this summer.

**Refuse**– Autumn Hanley reported that she checks the bins every Friday. She also attended a DEP webinar on grants.

**Property**- No report.

**Zoning Officer** – No report.

**Operations and Maintenance Report** – Cody Strouse reported that the mower is ready. Zach Worth reported that the John Deere tractor was fixed.

#### **Old Business**

Robert Yearick asked about the meeting with Jeff Lomison during the last meeting. Autumn Hanley reported that The Borough building is not listed on the National registry but is on the state registry.

#### **New Business**

Moved by Andy Kotzur to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned

Nancy Fishburn  
Secretary-Treasurer