

**EPHRATA BOROUGH COUNCIL
SPECIAL SESSION MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 19, 2023**

The Ephrata Borough Council Special Session was called to order by President Thomas Reinhold at 5:15 PM on October 19, 2023, in the Council Chambers of the Borough Office, 124 South State Street.

In attendance in addition to the President were Vice President Linda Martin, President Pro Tem Victor Richard, and Council Members Timothy Barr, Kory Musser, Ricky Ressler, Greg Zimmerman and Mayor Ralph Mowen (arrived near end of meeting). Absent was Council Member Alan Buohl.

Also in attendance were Borough Manager Nancy Harris and Director of Utilities Steve Morrison.

A moment of silence was held which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ms. Harris provided confirmation of the following:

1. The meeting agenda was posted on the Borough's website and at Borough Hall no later than 24 hours in advance of the time of the meeting.
2. The meeting agenda included a listing of each matter of Borough business that will be or may be the subject of deliberation or official action at the meeting.
3. There were no changes made to the meeting agenda after it was posted.
4. The meeting agenda was made available to individuals in attendance at the meeting.

President Reinhold asked if there were any requests to add a matter of Borough business to the meeting agenda. Seeing none, President Reinhold asked for a motion to accept the meeting agenda as posted. Mr. Richard moved and Mr. Barr seconded to approve the meeting agenda as posted. Motion carried unanimously.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

With no visitors in attendance, President Reinhold moved onto the New Business Items portion of the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Municipal Enterprises Committee

Vice President Martin moved and Mr. Richard seconded that Borough Council adopt Resolution 2023-22 authorizing the Borough Secretary to commit to purchase energy blocks in accordance with the Power Supply Master Plan. Motion carried unanimously.

Prior to the vote, Mr. Morrison, Director of Utilities provided a brief presentation about the power purchase block.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

With no visitors in attendance, President Reinhold moved onto the Discussion/Announcements portion of the meeting.

DISCUSSION/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Seeing none, President Reinhold advised that Borough Council will be meeting in an Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter directly following the adjournment of the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:29 PM.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Executive Session came to order at 5:30 PM and adjourned at 5:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy E. Harris, P.E.
Secretary