

**MINUTES  
NORTH EAST BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**Monthly Meeting  
December 16, 2024**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Amber Belson, President  
Ryan McGregor, Vice President  
Todd Luke, President Pro Tem  
Nancy Anderson  
Heather Jones  
Bill Beardsley

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Bobbi Jo Morey, Mayor  
Joel Morey, Junior Council Person  
Patrick Gehrlein, Borough Manager  
Rebecca Bliss, Administrative Assistant  
Sean Lam, Police Chief  
Wayne Yokom, Streets Supervisor  
Julio Pazmino, Waste Water Supervisor  
Tyler Simmer, Water Supervisor  
Paul Crowe  
David Jelley  
Aaron Jelley  
Dan Adamus  
Eric Luke  
Dave Herman  
Ryan Burniston  
Amy Burniston  
Tim Krug  
Mark Houser

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

Borough Council President A. Belson called the Public Hearing to order at 6:00 p.m.

**2025 Proposed Budget**

There were no public comments.

**2025 Tax Ordinance**

There were no public comments.

The public hearing ended at 6:01 p.m.

The second monthly meeting of North East Borough Council will be held Monday, December 16, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

At the conclusion of the Public Hearing, Borough Council President A. Belson called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m., at which time the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**INVOCATION:**

Mayor Morey offered the invocation.

**CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:**

There were no Citizens to be Heard.

**REPORTS FROM ELECTED OFFICERS:**

There were no Reports from Elected Officers.

**REPORTS FROM APPOINTED OFFICERS:**

There were no Reports from Appointed Officers.

**REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES:**

There were no Reports from Standing Committees.

**REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**

There were no Reports from Special Committees.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**2025 Proposed Budget**

T. Luke motioned to approve the 2025 Proposed Budget as presented. H. Jones seconded. After a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously. The vote was as follows:

Nancy Anderson	<u>Yes</u>	Todd Luke	<u>Yes</u>
Amber Belson	<u>Yes</u>	Heather Jones	<u>Yes</u>
Ryan McGregor	<u>Yes</u>	Bill Beardsley	<u>Yes</u>

**2025 Tax Ordinance**

B. Beardsley motioned to approve the 2025 Tax Ordinance as presented. T. Luke seconded. After a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously. The vote was as follows:

Nancy Anderson	<u>Yes</u>	Todd Luke	<u>Yes</u>
Amber Belson	<u>Yes</u>	Heather Jones	<u>Yes</u>
Ryan McGregor	<u>Yes</u>	Bill Beardsley	<u>Yes</u>

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**North East Community Marina Authority: Board Member Appointment**

A. Belson stated that Council received two submissions: Steve LaFuria and Dan Adamus.

H. Jones motioned to appoint Dan Adamus to the North East Community Marina Authority: Board Member Appointment as presented. T. Luke seconded. After a roll call vote, the motion carried 5 to 1. The vote was as follows:

Nancy Anderson	<u>No</u>	Todd Luke	<u>Yes</u>
Amber Belson	<u>Yes</u>	Heather Jones	<u>Yes</u>
Ryan McGregor	<u>Yes</u>	Bill Beardsley	<u>Yes</u>

A. Belson stated that she would pass on Steve LaFuria’s contact information to the North East Community Marina Authority Board as he is interested in being involved in other areas of the project in the future.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

There was no Correspondence.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

B. Beardsley thanked W. Yokom and the Streets Department for their hard work and attention to the North East Food Pantry during the snow storm.

R. McGregor complimented the Streets Department, especially compared to neighboring municipalities he traveled through, stating that they do a remarkable job keeping the streets plowed.

A. Belson reminded the audience of the upcoming Mistletoe Mile event.

A. Belson stated that the Borough received a certificate of appreciation from Wreath’s Across America.

Mayor Morey stated that the Christmas Lights competition is on-going, but that participation is lower than anticipated due to the snowstorm.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

D. Adamus, 1220 Dewey Rd, thanked the Borough on behalf of the Fire Department and Fire Police for their help during the snow storm.

D. Jelley, 3010 Haskell, thanked the Borough Streets Department for their hard work.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

At 6:07 p.m. R. McGregor motioned to adjourn. N. Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

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Rebecca Bliss (December 17, 2024)

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Patrick Gehrlein, Borough Manager