

**Kane Borough Council Meeting**  
**January 8, 2025**

**Call to Order**

The regular monthly meeting of the Kane Borough Council was called to order at 6:30pm by Council President Tom Kase. The meeting was held at the Borough Office, 112 Bayard St., Kane, PA 16735. Members were notified of the meeting on January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

**Invocation**

Pastor David Pflieger led the council and guests in prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call**

**Present:** Tom Kase (President), Jack Zelina (Vice President), Sam Cummings, Jerry Milliron, Debra Miller, Kelle Bari, Melanie Clabaugh, Don Payne (Secretary), Tony Alfieri (Solicitor), Brandy Schimp (Mayor), Bill Cook (Assistant Street Department Manager).

**Telecommunications:** None present

**Excused:** Matt Bressler (Fire Chief), Heath Boyer (Police Chief) and Mick O'Rourke (Street Department Manager)

**Absent:** Joe Geer (Code Compliance)

**Visitors**

Pastor David Pflieger, Steve Dyne, Michael Lombardo, and Kayley Gubelman

**Statement of Citizens on Agenda Items**

None

**Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Kelle Bari, second by Jack Zelina to approve the minutes of the December 11, 2024, Regular Council meeting with small corrections. No further discussion. Ayes from all. Motion carried.

**Unfinished Business**

A. None

**Monthly Reports**

**Budget:** A motion was made by Debra Miller, second by Sam Cummings to approve the Budget Report, as presented. Tom Kase asked a question about line item 389.70 Miscellaneous income. Don Payne said he would investigate. Mayor Schimp asked whether we use funds from PLGIT for the Anti-Drug program or if expenses are paid from the General Fund. No further discussion. Ayes from all. Motion carried.

**Tax Collector:** A motion was made by Melanie Clabaugh, second by Jack Zelina to approve the Tax Collector report, as presented. There were no reports for December. Don Payne stated that the Tax Collector wouldn't have the final 2024 report for a few weeks. No further discussion. Ayes from all. Motion carried.

**Bills for Payment**

Check detail in the amount of \$92,930.02 was presented to Council for approval. A motion was made by Melanie Clabaugh, second by Kelle Bari to approve the Bills for Payment, as presented. No further discussion. Ayes from all. Motion carried.

**Department Reports**

**Office:** Report Submitted. Report items discussed:

A. Item #8. Don Payne explained a few key points regarding the rural lending programs, along with a few other comments.

**Code Compliance:** Report Submitted.

**Solicitor:** Report Submitted.

- A. Tony has completed item #64, Police Negotiations.
- B. On Item #58, Deed for 8 Beech St., he is still working with the estate of Virginia Wiedow and then will work on the Inheritance Tax.
- C. Tony also worked with Don Payne on the new Emergycare agreement.

**Police:** Report submitted. No further discussion

**Street:** Report submitted. No further discussion.

**Fire:** Report submitted. The Fire Department will have the same officers in 2025.

**Assessment:** No report submitted.

**Health Board:** No report submitted.

A motion was made by Sam Cummings, second by Jack Zelina to approve the Department Reports, as presented. No further discussion. Ayes from all. Motion carried.

### **Committee Reports**

Only the Library report was submitted. The Parks Commission did not meet in November and December due to the holidays.

### **New Business**

- A. Ordinance #A-1083 Amendment of Chapter 242 Vehicles & Traffic 242-52 A & B. A motion was made by Melanie Clabaugh, second by Kelle Bari to approve as the first reading. Melanie suggested sending letters to the residents on Chase Street to give them a chance to comment at the February meeting. Ayes from all. Motion carried.
- B. Ordinance #A-1084 Amendment of Chapter 242 On-Street Metered Parking, 242-31 amending letter E. Council agreed to take the word “metered” from the language of the Ordinance. A motion was made by Sam Cummings, second by Jack Zelina to approve as the first reading. No further discussion. Ayes from all. Motion carried.

### **Mayor’s Report**

Not submitted but discussed by Mayor Brandy Schimp.

The Mayor commented that her expense report has mileage to Lockhaven, UPB and Clearfield was paid by the GovOut organization, so she subtracted it from the Borough expenses.

### **Statement of Citizens (Time limited to 5 minutes)**

None

### **Executive Session**

The Regular Borough Council meeting broke out at 7:07pm. Council will begin the Executive Session at 7:15pm

### **Adjournment**

The Regular Session of the Kane Borough Council resumed at 7:49pm. Tony Alfieri will compose a document for the Police Chief explaining Officer Nichols’ return to work status. A motion was made by Sam Cummings, second by Jack Zelina to approve. No further discussion. Ayes from all. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Laura McDonald, Kane Borough Treasurer