

**MINUTES
FORD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
FORD CITY BOROUGH OFFICE
December 3, 2015**

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Bartuccio called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. and advised the audience that the meeting for Monday, May 11, 2015 will be audio taped by Lisa Bittner. Jonathan Weaver – Kittanning Paper is also audio taping the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Bartuccio lead everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Kathy Bartuccio, Beth Bowser, Jerry Miklos, Vicki Schaub and Mayor Mantini were present. Gene Banks was absent. [The number of Council Members at this time is five (5). Josh Abernathy resignation was accepted 10-12-2015]

ATTENDANCE

Eden Ratliff – Borough Manager, Lisa Bittner– Borough Secretary, Carol Fenyes, Joann Scopel, Julie Totos, Barb & Paul Klukan, Tyson Klukan, Caroline Hassa, Jamie Thompson, Richard Wakefield, Lou Vergari, Josh Adams, Tom Ondrusek, David Wolfe and Jonathan Weaver – Kittanning Paper.

CTIZENS COMMENTS

There were no Citizen Comments at this time.

PRELIMINARY 2016 BUDGET

Miklos made a motion to revise the preliminary 2016 budget, which was advertised on November 12, 2015 and will be considered for approval as a final budget at a special meeting of Council on December 30, 2015. Seconded by Schaub.
Motion Carried. 4-0 Unanimous

2016 FEE AND TAX RATES

Miklos made a motion to authorize Alyssa E. Golfieri and the office of Babst, Calland, Clements and Zomnir, P.C. to prepare and advertise an ordinance fixing fees and the tax rate for the year 2016 and appropriate specific sums estimated to be required for the specific purposes of the municipal government. Seconded by Schaub.
Motion Carried. 4-0 Unanimous

NUISANCE ORDINANCE

Schaub made a motion to authorize Alyssa E. Golfieri and the office of Babst, Calland, Clements and Zomnir, P.C. to prepare and advertise an ordinance amendment to strengthen the Borough's nuisance regulations, particularly with respect to the

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storing of junk or rubbish within the Borough, the keeping of animals within the Borough, and the creation of smoke within the Borough. Seconded by Miklos.
Motion Carried. 4-0 Unanimous

TAX RATE – BOROUGH MANAGER

Borough Manager stated before the meeting is adjourned there must be a consensus on what the Tax Rate for 2016 should be. This statement was followed by a lengthy discussion

The following is the consensus of what the Tax Rates for 2016 will be:

General Fund	11.00
Borough Pension Savings	.15
Street Lighting	1.90
Fire	.75
Library	1.00
Reserve	<u>1.00</u>
	15.80 TOTAL

ADJOURNMENT

Schaub made a motion at 9:00 to adjourn. Seconded by Miklos.
Motion Carried. 4-0 Unanimous

Kathy Bartuccio
Council President

Lisa Bittner
Borough Secretary