

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**FORD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**LOCATION: Ford City Borough Municipal Building**  
**November 13, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Call the special meeting to order at 6:30 PM and advise the audience that the meeting of November 13, 2023, is being audio taped by Ford City Borough.

Is anyone else audio or video taping the meeting?  
Councilwoman Vicki Schaub is recording audio.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Council President Carol Fenyes, Councilwoman Vicki Schaub, Councilwoman Mary Alice Bryant, Councilman Tom Ondrusek, and Mayor Tim Bureau  
Via phone: Solicitor Alyssa Golfieri  
Absent: Vice President Josh Adams and Councilwoman Sally Beck

**CITIZENS COMMENTS** – None

**EXECUTIVE SESSIONS** – An Executive Session took place on Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, for the purpose of interviewing for a Borough Manager.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**1. Hiring Assistant Water Treatment Plant Operator – Matthew Miller**

Councilwoman Mary Alice Bryant made the motion to hire Matthew Miller as a full-time Assistant Water Treatment Plant Operator at the rate of \$20.45 per hour pursuant to the Collective Bargaining Agreement and the Employee Handbook, with a 180-day probationary period, and conditioned upon successfully completing a drug screen and pre-employment physical. Councilman Tom Ondrusek seconds the motion.

No comments  
Motion carried: 4-0

**2. Hiring Public Works Director – Samuel Oravetz**

Councilwoman Mary Alice Bryant made the motion to hire Samuel Oravetz full-time as the Ford City Borough Public Works Director at the rate of \$26.00 per hour plus benefits as listed in the Employee Handbook, with a 90-day probationary period, and conditioned upon successfully completeing a drug screen and pre-employment physical. Councilman Tom Ondrusek seconds the motion.

No comments  
Motion carried: 4-0

### 3. Hiring a Borough Manager – Charlie Stull

Councilwoman Vicki Schaub made the motion to hire Charlie Stull to the position of Borough Manager at the salary of \$65,000 plus benefits as listed in the Employee Handbook, with a 90-day probationary period, and conditioned upon successfully completing a drug screen, pre-employment physical and background check. Councilwoman Mary Alice Bryant seconds the motion.

No comments  
Motion carried: 4-0

#### DISCUSSION:

##### 2024 Budget

Council President Carol Fenyes shared her progress and predictions of the 2024 Budget. Councilwoman Schaub mentioned that raising taxes is not ideal, but with all of the projects Ford City Council has taken on, the money has to come from somewhere. Councilwoman Mary Alice Bryant also mentioned that prices for everything are increasing, and Ford City must also make increases to do what needs to be done. Councilman Tom Ondrusek agrees that potentially raising taxes is a tough choice, but the current Council has taken on projects neglected by previous Ford City Councilmembers, and in the end it will be for the greater good.

CITIZENS COMMENTS – None

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING – November 27th, 2023, 6:30 PM at the BC3 Armstrong Campus

ADJOURNMENT – 7:08 PM

Councilman Tom Ondrusek made the motion for adjournment. Councilwoman Vicki Schaub seconds the motion.

No comments  
Motion carried: 4-0

#### AUTHORIZING MINUTES

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Office Administrator

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Council President

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Secretary