

Regular Meeting Monday, December 11, 2024 at 7 p.m.

ALLENTOWN MUNICIPAL BUILDING

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Parks + Public Spaces Committee

Minutes

December 11, 2024

1. **Call to Order** was made by Will Borkowski at 7:06 p.m.
2. **SALUTE GO THE FLAG** was made by Will Borkowski.
3. **Compliance Statement** read by Will.
4. In compliance with the "Open Public Meetings Act", Chapter 231, PL. 1975, Section 5, adequate notice has been given of this meeting by posting a Notice in a public place on the front door of Borough Hall, on the Borough's website Allentown Boro N-J dot com, the Borough's Facebook page, the Borough's Twitter account and by placing a Notice to two newspapers, THE TIMES and the ASBURY PARK PRESS as required by law.

5. **Roll Call** was performed by Barb Pleva:

	Present	Absent	Absence Excused
Barb Pleva	X		
Will Borkowski	X		
Cheryl Willois	x		
Terry Brown			x
Bill Cotte	x		
Alisa Stanislav			x
Rick Jakober			
BC Liaison Nikki Darling			
Diane Sterner			x

1. Approval of Minutes:

-Motion to approve November minutes: Bill Cotte. motion and 2nd by Barb Pleva.

Minutes approved unanimously.

1. Public Participation: Limited to three (3) minutes per citizen. State name and address clearly for the record.

-No public Participation

2. New Business

Sign submitted by Laura for review for Ashby Park at First Commerce Bank approved to go to Historic Comm for their approval
Motion Barb Pleva seconded Bill Cotte

Manhole covers were all found (14) starting behind Brady's and throughout heritage park. Help determine what kind of equipment will be needed for the project.

Updates from Committee/Commission Liaisons on items relating to Parks & Public Spaces

Nikki Darling -Borough Council Building & Grounds Committee & DPW

Working on Street lights for Town Mews.

Working with Roberts to get inventory.; We Pick-up & purchase salt from Robbinsville: we pay for each load we use & unused is returned.

We will have two Public Works employee local for emergency snow salting etc.

Barb Pleva – Recreation Commission

The Winter Historic Carriage Ride on December 7 went well. We talked to June about setting up Venmo as many people call to book but are unable to come in person during business hours. Plan continues for Spooky Historic Horse-Drawn Carriage Sunday Nov. 2, 2025 5 p.m. (time might change) and Winter Historic Horse-Drawn Carriage Rides planned for Saturday December 6th at noon. Recreation will not meet until reorganization in January 2025.

Bill Cotte - Planning Board

La piazza plans of building permits are coming along and needs to go to Historic for review

Will Borkowski – Historic Preservation Commission

Brochures done and being distributed. There are links in brochures for downloading. The Historic Homes plaque acquisition process is covered.

Ashby sign will be going to Historic Preservation Comm. For final review.

Rick Jakober – Environmental Commission

La Piazza plans were reviewed by the Environmental Commission. Plans have some issues impacting the environment, such as its set back.

Env resource inventory includes geology, geography, endangered species, and this review is ongoing and is about 50% complete.

Next Meeting January 13 reorganization meeting.

Motion to Adjourn by Bill Cotte and 2nd by Barb Pleva: Adjourned @ 7:51