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MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 21, 2020

The meeting was held virtually via GoToMeeting due to the COVID 19 Pandemic.

President Wainright called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm.

ROLL CALL

Upon roll call, the following responded: Mr. Bright, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Love, Mr. O'Donnell, Ms. Yaney, and Mr. Wainright. Solicitor Tim Barry and Junior Councilperson Benjamin Bermann were also present. Mayor Wilson was absent and Dr. Petrola joined the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR:

No public comments were offered.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M-1 Mr. O'Donnell moved to approve the August 24, 2020 meeting minutes. Second by Mr. Fuller.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Mr. Bright, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Love, Mr. O'Donnell, Ms. Yaney, and Mr. Wainright. **Motion carried.**

M-2 Mr. O'Donnell moved to approve the September 7, 2020 meeting minutes. Second by Mr. Fuller.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Mr. Bright, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Love, Mr. O'Donnell, Ms. Yaney, and Mr. Wainright. **Motion carried.**

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS

M-3 Mr. O'Donnell moved to authorize the payment of bills, for goods and services received by the Borough, having been reviewed and approved by the General Government Committee, from the General Fund in the amount of \$ 39,034.41 and from the Sewer fund in the amount of \$ 186,014.02 for a total of \$ 225,048.43. Second Mr. Fuller.

DISCUSSION: Mr. O'Donnell stated the large sewer fund expense was the quarterly ALCOSAN billing pass through but otherwise everything else was routine.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Mr. Bright, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Love, Mr. O'Donnell, Dr. Petrola Ms. Yaney, and Mr. Wainright. **Motion carried.**

Committee Reports:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT: Mr. O'Donnell had nothing to add to his bill payment report.

POLICE: Mr. Zahorchak updated the board on the status of Sergeant Libell. He also briefed council on a meeting held with Watchguard regarding the purchase of body cameras. Mr. O'Donnell remarked that it appears there is total buy-in regarding the use of body cameras and he is anxious to get them deployed. Solicitor Barry asked if Watchguard had a COSTAR's contract and Mr. Zahorchak replied that they did and that he would ask about Axion's contract.

PUBLIC SAFETY: Mr. Fuller reported the committee met and discussed body cameras and staffing issues in the department. He reported the department is having trouble finding quality part time police officers and that Chief Payne would like a ninth fulltime officer.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: Mr. Bright reported the committee did not meet.

PUBLIC WORKS: Mr. Love reported the committee did not meet.

COMMUNITY SERVICE: Ms. Yaney reported the committee did not meet but she has reviewed the borough's recycling ordinance in preparation for drafting a new ordinance.

PERSONNEL: Dr. Petrolla reported the committee did not meet.

PENSION: Mr. Fuller stated the committee did not meet.

AD HOC COMMITTEES-

CONNECT: Mr. Zahorchak reported that he attended the virtual 11th annual CONNECT Legislative Congress and the event went well. Policy priorities were set for the next year.

WOODLAND HILLS SD EDUCATION CONSORTIUM: Mr. O'Donnell reported the consortium has not met in some time and recommended removing this Ad Hoc Committee report from the agenda.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Mr. Barry had nothing to report.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT: Mr. Zahorchak reported there were eight contractors at the Oakview Avenue parking lot retaining wall reconstruction pre-bid meeting and his attendance at the first Three Rivers Wet Weather meeting in quite some time. A presentation from ALCOSAN on the consent order and regionalization is likely forthcoming by years end. The manager recommended trick or treat proceed as usual with all COVID precautions clearly messaged to residents. Trick or Treat will occur on October 31 from 6-8 p.m. The borough's Fall Fest will occur on October 10 from 11 a.m.- 5 p.m. at Koenig Field. The manager reviewed the borough's 2020 Minimum Municipal Obligation with council. Lastly, the public hearing originally scheduled for October 19 to receive comment on zoning amendments will need to be postponed due to a protracted review period at Allegheny County Planning. A new date will be announced at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: Mr. Wainright remarked about 2021 budget preparation and encouraged everyone to communicate any priorities to Mr. Zahorchak. A brief discussion ensued about holding the November budget meeting in person vs online.

COMMITTEE ACTION

M-4 Mr. O'Donnell moved to accept Lisa Belloli's letter of resignation from the Shade Tree Committee effective immediately. Second .

DISCUSSION: None.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Mr. Bright, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Love, Mr. O'Donnell, Dr. Petrola Ms. Yaney, and Mr. Wainright. **Motion carried.**

M-5 Mr. Love moved to authorize the purchase of a Ford F550 dump truck in the amount of \$72,905.41 from Tri Star Ford on COSTARS contract # 025-340. Second Mr. O'Donnell.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Zahorchak remarked there was a \$4900 price increase on the purchase price of the truck from the budgeted amount prepared in October of 2019. The difference in cost will be covered by additional transfer from the borough's liquid fuels account. The truck will be on the ground within 60 days.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Mr. Bright, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Love, Mr. O'Donnell, Dr. Petrola Ms. Yaney, and Mr. Wainright. **Motion carried.**

M-6 Mr. Love read Borough Resolution 2020-24- PennDOT Winter Services Agreement.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Zahorchak explained that this five year contract allows the borough to bill PennDOT for winter maintenance performed on the parkway ramps and bridges owned by the Commonwealth.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Mr. Bright, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Love, Mr. O'Donnell, Dr. Petrola Ms. Yaney, and Mr. Wainright. **Motion carried.**

M-7 Mr. Fuller motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 p.m.

The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. **Motion carried.**



Rob Zahorchak, Borough Manager