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Council President Petrolla called the meeting to order at 7:34pm.

ROLL CALL

Upon roll call, the following responded: Dr. Blasiole, Mr. Love, Ms. Patel, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Yaney and Dr. Petrolla. Also present were Mayor O'Donnell, Police Chief Payne, Borough Manager Zahorchak, and Solicitor McDermott. Dr. Epitropoulos was absent.

PLEDGE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR: None.

PROCLAMATION & PRESENTATION

Mayor O'Donnell read a proclamation recognizing Public Works Foreman John Antolovich's years of service to the Borough and forthcoming retirement.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M-1 Mr. Love moved to approve the minutes of the June 16, 2025 Council Meeting. Second by Ms. Yaney. DISCUSSION: None.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Dr. Blasiole, Mr. Love, Ms. Patel, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Yaney and Dr. Petrolla. **The motion carried.**

Mr. Love moved to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2025 Council Meeting. Second by Ms. Patel.

DISCUSSION: None.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Dr. Blasiole, Mr. Love, Ms. Patel, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Yaney and Dr. Petrolla. **The motion carried.**

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS

Mr. Love moved to authorize the payment of bills for goods and services received by the borough from the General Fund in the amount of \$150,767.83 and from the Sewer Fund in the amount of \$238,762.48 for a total of \$389,530.31. Second by Dr. Blasiole.

DISCUSSION: None.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes to the bills: Dr. Blasiole, Mr. Love, Ms. Patel, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Yaney and Dr. Petrolla. **Motion carried.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT: Mr. Love reported that General Government met and discussed a few items, including the roof and ac at the borough building, as well as the parking lot project. Trees were also discussed.

POLICE: Nothing was reported.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND INFRASTRUCTURE: Ms. Yaney stated that the committee did not meet but have been in communication concerning John's retirement and building work.

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS: Mr. Zahorchak reported that Community Day is quickly approaching. We have vendors lined up as well as various entertainment planned.

PENSION AND PERSONNEL: Nothing was reported.

AD HOC COMMITTEES: Nothing was reported.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Mr. McDermott had no updates but an Executive Session would be needed following the regular meeting with no action to be taken.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT: Mr. Zahorchak reported noted that there is an agenda item to award the bid for a municipal improvement project, increasing safety of the parking lot and area surrounding the borough building. There is a grant for \$425,000. A \$50,000 contingency amount exists in the budget which can cover any overage for the project. At the second August meeting, there should be two additional bids to vote on. One is the South Braddock traffic signal project. The other is to repair the Koenig Field steps, with possible grant funding.

The Elmer Street project is nearly complete, as is the work on Race St. Our first Safety Committee meeting took place. This includes representatives from Administration, Public Works, and the Police Department. The monthly meetings are an opportunity to address any possible safety concerns. Mr. Zahorchak is meeting with Davey this week to discuss some short term tree work. Additionally, a meeting is planned for longer term tree canopy discussion.

Mr. Sherman inquired about differences in costs of items listed on the proposed bid for the borough building. Mr. Zahorchak replied that the difference can arise from unforeseen issues that may arise. Discussion ensued on the project.

NEW BUSINESS - None.

COMMITTEE ACTION

M-4 Ms. Yaney moved to award the Municipal Complex Improvements Contract to Independent Enterprises in the amount of \$496,430.00. Second by Dr. Blasiole.

DISCUSSION: None.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Dr. Blasiole, Mr. Love, Ms. Patel, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Yaney and Dr. Petrolla. **Motion carried.**

M-5 Dr. Blasiole moved to accept Public Works Foreman, John Antolovich's letter of resignation and desire to retire effective July 31, 2025. Second by Mr. Sherman.

DISCUSSION: None.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Dr. Blasiole, Mr. Love, Ms. Patel, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Yaney and Dr. Petrolla. **Motion carried.**

M-6 It was moved by Mr. Sherman and seconded by Dr. Blasiole to adjourn the meeting at 8:09pm. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. **Motion carried.**

An Executive Session was held from 8:10-8:37pm.

Rob Zahorchak, Borough Manager

The Well