

BOROUGH OF SOUTHMONT
148 Wonder Street
Johnstown, PA 15905

Minutes for March 19, 2018

The pledge of allegiance was conducted and the scheduled March 19, 2018 Council meeting was called to order by President Rodgers at 4:00 p.m.

Present: Attorney Michael Carbonara; Borough Manager Richard Wargo; Sec./Treas. Amanda Layton; Council President Richard Rodgers; Council Members; Gregory Paolini, Herb Ewald, Edward Danyluk, Kevin Pile Bob Morgan and Sheree Speicher; Mayor Mark Yonko; Police Chief Michael Lose; Engineer Todd Banks

Absent: Fire Chief Joel Weslager

Visitors: Eric Muncert (Observing), Cheryl Pullen (Zoning), Ann Furlong (Zoning), Terry Conrad (Visiting), Justin Capovellez (Visiting)

Meeting Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Pile to approve the February 19, 2018 council meeting minutes with the following change: "A motion was made by Mr. Ewald to approve the proposed agreement with Southmont Volunteer Fire Company." to be changed to "A motion was made by Mr. Ewald to approve an offer to the Southmont Volunteer Fire Company regarding the proposed changes to the current agreement." Motion seconded by Mr. Ewald. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Police Chief's Report

The February 2018 Police Chief's Report stated Officers Woodruff and Porada conducted a Training Class for students at the Divine Mercy Academy relative to "Active Shooters." These Officers are also in the process of assisting the School's Administration with updating their Emergency Operations Plan. Officers Beblar, Dowdell and Porada attended a meeting with the teachers and staff at the Westmont Elementary School regarding "Active Shooter Responses." They also conducted a security evaluation of the building at that time.

Also, Chief Lose has been appointed to the newly formed Safe Schools Committee by the Westmont Hilltop School District. He attended the organizational meeting on March 13th.

Chief Lose did not have anything to add to the monthly report.

Fire Company's Report

Chief Weslager absent. The February 2018 Fire Chief's Report stated crews assisted Upper Yoder Twp. With a garage fire providing water supply, cascade, extinguishment and overhaul.

Crews also assisted Upper Yoder Twp. With a vehicle accident with entrapment.

Engineer's Report

A motion was made by Mr. Ewald to approve Pennvest Pay Requisition No. 17 in the amount of \$10,796.66 for Phase I of the sanitary sewer replacement project. Motion seconded by Mrs. Speicher. Roll call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Danyluk, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Rodgers in favor. Motion carried (7-0).

Mr. Banks reported Kukurin Contracting will return when weather permits to continue yard restorations.

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve Pennvest Pay Requisition No. 6 in the amount of \$743,244.45 for Phase II of the sanitary sewer replacement project. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. Roll call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Danyluk, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Rodgers in favor. Motion carried (7-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve Snyder Environmental Contracting Pay Estimate No. 6 in the amount of \$711,740.29. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. Roll call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Danyluk, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Rodgers in favor. Motion carried (7-0).

Mr. Banks informed council that a fire wall is required for the salt storage building to be approved noting the revised drawings have been resubmitted.

Council reviewed a copy of a letter written by a borough resident that had been sent to Snyder Environmental Services praising them for their great work during the sewer project.

Zoning Officer's Report

Mr. Wargo reminded council that a public hearing regarding the proposed zoning ordinance and map changes is scheduled for March 27, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. in council chambers.

Manager's Report

A motion was made by Mr. Paolini to approve ratifying the purchase of a 2003 Ford F550 truck and plow in the amount of \$30,000.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Danyluk. Roll call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Danyluk, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Rodgers in favor. Motion carried (7-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Pile to approve advertising bids for the sale of the 2012 Ford F550 truck and plow. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Ewald to approve advertising bids on paving a section of Daisy Street and Dell Street to be opened at the regular monthly meeting on April 16, 2018. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Solicitor's Report

Nothing to report.

Secretary's Report

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve Resolution 2018-01, disposition of records. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the 2018 County Aid Application. Motion seconded by Mr. Danyluk. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

The March 2018 secretary's report stated the workers compensation and liability audit went well noting no new recommendations were made.

Mayor's Report

Nothing to report.

1) COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Streets: Nothing to report.

B. Administration: Nothing to report.

C. Personnel: Nothing to report.

D. Police Committee: Mr. Morgan reported they are prepared to present figures regarding contribution rates to the commission at their next meeting.

E. Budget & Tax Collection Committee: Nothing to report.

F. Shade Tree Committee: Nothing to report.

G. Buildings & Grounds Committee: Nothing to report.

H. Greater Johnstown Water Authority: Mr. Pile reported they are planning to take down the water tank along Shady Lane next year.

I. Open Records: Nothing to report.

J. Borough Services: Nothing to report.

K. Fire Company: Nothing to report.

L. Audit: Nothing to report.

M. Insurance: Nothing to report.

Business Items

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve ratification of payroll from February 22, 2018 through March 19, 2018 in the amount of \$14,233.70. Motion seconded by Mr. Pile. Roll call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Danyluk, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Rodgers in favor. Motion carried (7-0).

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A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve payment of bills from February 21, 2018 through March 20, 2018 in the amount of \$819,579.38. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini.

Roll call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Danyluk, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Rodgers in favor. Motion carried (7-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Paolini to approve the February 2018 treasurers report in the amount of \$2,390,968.88. Motion seconded by Mr. Ewald. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

President Rodgers called for an Executive Session at 4:25 p.m. to discuss legal matters. Executive Session ended at 4:55 p.m. and council resumed its regularly scheduled meeting.

A motion was made by Mrs. Speicher to authorize Solicitor Carbonara to communicate the boroughs position on the proposed fire agreement to the Southmont Volunteer Fire Company. Motion seconded by Mr. Pile. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Morgan for adjournment of the March 19, 2018 meeting at 4:56 P.M. Motion seconded by Mr. Pile. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Respectfully submitted,
Amanda D. Layton
Secretary/Treasurer