

BOROUGH OF SOUTHMONT
148 Wonder Street
Johnstown, PA 15905

Minutes for December 5, 2016

The pledge of allegiance was conducted and the scheduled December 5, 2016 Council meeting was called to order by Vice-President Morgan at 4:00 p.m.

Present: Borough Manager Richard Wargo; Sec./Treas. Amanda Layton; Council President Ed Danyluk; Council Members; Gregory Paolini, Herb Ewald, William Kory, Kevin Pile, Sheree Speicher and Bob Morgan; Police Chief Michael Lose; Fire Chief Joel Weslager; Attorney Michael Carbonara; Mayor Mark Yonko

Meeting Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the Council Meeting Minutes of November 21, 2016. Motion seconded by Mr. Pile. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Police Chief's Report

Chief Lose note the Police Chief's Report would not be ready for about another week and reminded Council the West Hills Regional Police will be holding a "Christmas Open House with Santa" is scheduled for Saturday, December 10th from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Children will receive a treat and have their pictures taken with Santa.

Fire Company's Report

Chief Weslager reported crews assisted with extinguishment, overhaul and cascade operations in Ferndale.

Chief Weslager reported crews were dispatched to a vehicle accident in Southmont at the Arch noting one vehicle rolled over with one person in vehicle. Chief Weslager stated the vehicle started on fire while crews were cleaning.

Engineer's Report

Mr. Wargo reported he will attend a meeting with Kukurin Contracting and Stiffler McGraw on December 6, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. to discuss the sewer project progress and the issues with not notifying emergency personnel of road closings during the project.

Zoning Officer's Report

Nothing to report.

Manager's Report

Mr. Wargo reported the leaf cleanup is done for the season and the leaf machine is now in storage.

Mr. Wargo informed Council a meeting is scheduled with Mike Carbonara on December 9, 2016 to review the proposed zoning ordinance from the zoning committee.

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A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the 2017 Sewer Fund Budget. Motion seconded by Mr. Ewald. Roll call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve advertising the 2017 General Fund, Sewer Fund and Garbage Fund Budgets. Motion seconded by Mr. Ewald. Roll call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve Ordinance No. 507, setting the tax rate for 2017 at 13.0 mills. Motion seconded by Mr. Ewald. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the 2017 meeting schedule as follows: Monthly meetings will be the third Monday of each month at 4:00 p.m. Committee meetings will be Tuesday of each week, when necessary at 4:00 p.m. and at 3:30 p.m. on the third Monday, if necessary. The December 2017 monthly meeting will be held December 4, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. Motion seconded by Mr. Ewald. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve advertising the 2016 meeting schedule. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve advertising Ordinance No. 508, increasing the sewer maintenance fee from \$288.00 per year to \$384.00 per year. Motion seconded by Mr. Ewald. Roll call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Council reviewed a request from Southmont Borough Tax Collector Jeanine Matse, asking for an increase in salary from \$3.00 per parcel to \$10.00 per parcel or a continuous salary of \$400.00 every two weeks. A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve offering Southmont Borough Tax Collector Jeanine Matse an increase of \$1.00 per parcel (Total of \$4.00 per parcel). Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. Roll call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

1) COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Streets: Nothing to report.

B. Administration: Nothing to report.

C. Personnel: Nothing to report.

D. Police Committee: Nothing to report.

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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: Nothing to report.

I. Open Records: Nothing to report.

Business Items

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve ratification of payroll from November 24, 2016 through December 7, 2016 in the amount of \$7,923.22. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. Roll call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve payment of bills from November 23, 2016 through December 6, 2016 in the amount of \$468,429.84. Roll call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the November 2016 treasurers report in the amount of \$905,975.58. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Morgan for adjournment of the December 5, 2016 meeting at 4:41 P.M. Motion seconded by Mr. Kory. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Respectfully submitted,
Amanda D. Layton
Secretary/Treasurer