

BOROUGH OF SOUTHMONT
148 Wonder Street
Johnstown, PA 15905

Minutes for January 16, 2017

The pledge of allegiance was conducted and the scheduled January 16, 2017 Council meeting was called to order by President Danyluk 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 Bob Morgan and Sheree Speicher; Police Chief Michael Lose; Mayor Mark Yonko

Absent: Attorney Michael Carbonara; Fire Chief Joel Weslager

Visitors: Richard Rodgers (Ordinance 508/Kukurin Contracting)

Visitor Recognition

Mr. Rodgers stated Kukurin Contracting is performing well during Phase I of the sewer project.

Mr. Rodgers requested that the approval of Ordinance No. 508, increasing the sewer maintenance fee, be tabled. Mr. Rodgers would like council to look into having Johnstown Redevelopment Authority mail and collect the sewer maintenance fee for the borough. A motion was made by Mr. Kory to table Ordinance No. 508 until further review. Motion seconded by Mr. Ewald. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Meeting Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the December 5, 2016 Council Meeting Minutes. Motion seconded by Mr. Kory. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the December 15, 2016 Special Meeting Minutes. Motion seconded by Mr. Kory. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the December 27, 2016 Special Meeting Minutes. Motion seconded by Mr. Kory. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the January 10, 2017 Special Meeting Minutes. Motion seconded by Mr. Kory. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Police Chief's Report

Chief Lose reported the West Hills Police and Staff held a Christmas Open House on December 10th in the Police Office.

Fire Company's Report

Chief Weslager absent.

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Engineer's Report

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve Payment Estimate #2 received from Kukurin Contracting in the amount of \$233,722.51. Motion seconded by Mr. Ewald. Roll call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried (7-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve Requisition #3 from PennVest in the amount of \$247,723.52. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. Roll call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried (7-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the Service Agreement with Stiffler McGraw & Associates for 2017 engineering services. Motion seconded by Mrs. Speicher. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Zoning Officer's Report

Mr. Wargo reported two approved sewer compliance certificates for 103 Dahlia Street and 503 Christine Court.

Manager's Report

Mr. Wargo reported a conference call will be scheduled with PennVEST to discuss Phase II of the sewer project.

Mr. Wargo reported the Southmont Borough Tax Collector, Jeanine Matse, has declined the offer of an increase of \$1.00 per parcel and counteroffered with a bi-weekly pay of \$400.00. Mr. Wargo noted the issue will need to be discussed by the Budget Committee before a decision can be made.

Solicitor's Report

Solicitor Carbonara absent.

Secretary's Report

Nothing to report.

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: Nothing to report.

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

F. Shade Tree Committee: Mr. Morgan reported a review of the trees will be done in the spring to determine damage done during the sewer project.

G. Buildings & Grounds Committee: Nothing to report.

H. Greater Johnstown Water Authority: Mr. Pile reported the water authority will be putting out bids for cutting trees.

I. Open Records: Nothing to report.

Business Items

A motion was made by Mr. Kory to approve ratification of payroll from December 8, 2016 through January 18, 2017 in the amount of \$25,031.43. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. Roll call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried (7-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve payment of bills from December 7, 2016 through January 17, 2017 in the amount of \$277,627.48. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. Roll call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried (7-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the December 2016 treasurer's report in the amount of \$1,077,431.76. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to note the receipt of the December 2016 tax collectors report in the amount of \$9,441.29. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Mr. Wargo informed council that the garbage and sewer maintenance bills for the first half of 2017 could not be mailed until Ordinance No. 508 is passed. A motion was made by Mr. Pile to un-table Ordinance No. 508. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve Ordinance No. 508, increasing the sewer maintenance fee, until further review on payment options. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Kory for adjournment of the January 16, 2017 meeting at 4:28 P.M. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Respectfully submitted,
Amanda D. Layton
Secretary/Treasurer