

BOROUGH OF SOUTHMONT
148 Wonder Street
Johnstown, PA 15905

Minutes for May 21, 2018

The pledge of allegiance was conducted and the scheduled May 21, 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; Herb Ewald, Edward Danyluk, Bob Morgan and Sheree Speicher; Mayor Mark Yonko; Police Chief Michael Lose; Fire Chief Joel Weslager; Engineer Todd Banks

Absent: Council Members Gregory Paolini and Kevin Pile

Visitors: Ron Fisher (Tribune Democrat) and Eugene Kupchella (302 Palliser Street, Redistricting Ord.)

Meeting Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the minutes of April 16, 2018. Motion seconded by Mr. Ewald. Mr. Paolini and Mr. Pile absent. All in favor, motion carried (5-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the special meeting minutes of April 23, 2018. Motion seconded by Mr. Ewald. Mr. Paolini and Mr. Pile absent. All in favor, motion carried (5-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the special meeting minutes of May 1, 2018. Motion seconded by Mr. Ewald. Mr. Paolini and Mr. Pile absent. All in favor, motion carried (5-0).

Police Chief's Report

The April 2018 police chief's report stated Chief Lose gave a presentation on Fraud and Scams to attendees of the Penelec Retired Employees March meeting at the Sunnehanna Country Club and Officer Todaro received a Certificate of Appreciation on behalf of the Department at the annual "Red, White and Blue" Church Services and luncheon sponsored by the Hope Spring Church in Northern Cambria, PA.

Also, Officers attended a "Below 100" Training Seminar, which focused on officer safety, sponsored by the Upper Yoder Twp. Police Department.

Chief Lose had nothing to add to the report.

Fire Company's Report

The April 2018 fire company's report stated the members of the truck committee went to Ohio to pick up the new 2018 fire engine and members took a 16 hour training class on operating it. Chief Weslager stated the engine was put into service on May 20, 2018.

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Crews assisted Hollsopple Fire Co. with a structure fire.

Three members passed their FF1 test, two members have to take the written test again, and one member passed the FF2 test.

Chief Weslager reminded Council the Jubilee is scheduled for May 28th through June 2nd.

Engineer's Report

Mr. Banks reported Kukurin Contracting has been in the area for the past month working on restorations.

A motion was made by Mr. Ewald to approve Kukurin Contracting Payment Request No. 16 in the amount of \$8,597.72. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Roll call: Mr. Danyluk, Mr. Ewald, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Rodgers in favor. Motion carried (5-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve Pennvest Pay Requisition No. 19 in the amount of \$72,570.51. Motion seconded by Mr. Danyluk. Roll call: Mr. Danyluk, Mr. Ewald, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Rodgers in favor. Motion carried (5-0).

Mr. Banks reported Snyder Environmental Services is expecting to be completed with the main and lateral lines by end of June or early July noting the restoration crews will be following the line crews.

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve Snyder Environmental Services Payment Request No. 8 in the amount of \$834,040.20. Motion seconded by Mr. Ewald. Roll call: Mr. Danyluk, Mr. Ewald, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Rodgers in favor. Motion carried (5-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve Pennvest Pay Requisition No. 8 in the amount of \$889,294.31. Motion seconded by Mr. Danyluk. Roll call: Mr. Danyluk, Mr. Ewald, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Rodgers in favor. Motion carried (5-0).

Mr. Banks reported five flow meters are installed in Phase I locations to monitor flow data noting they are located at Wonder Street & Leon Street, back of Leon Street, Diamond Blvd. and Carrot Alley, State Street, and Thoburn Street and Artichoke Alley.

Zoning Officer's Report

Mr. Wargo reported three zoning permits issued to 406 Palliser Street (driveway), 67 Gardner Street (patio) and 102 Arlington Street (retaining wall).

Mr. Wargo reported three certificates of compliance issued to 531 Bluff Street, 209 Palliser Street, and 570 Harshberger Road noting none had sump pumps.

Mr. Wargo reported he found mold in 103 Floyd Street while he was completing his inspection for a certificate of sewer compliance application. Mr. Wargo noted a citation

has been filed with the District Magistrate regarding the mold and the issue will need to be remedied before closing on the property can be completed.

Manager's Report

Mr. Wargo reported a new permit was submitted to the Department on Labor & Industry for the demolition of the old salt storage building.

Mr. Wargo reported the Centennial Committee met and will continue to meet on the second Tuesday of each month noting an article will be placed in the Tribune Democrat requesting volunteers for Centennial celebrations.

Arbor Day celebrations and tree planting ceremony were held on Saturday, May 19th at Diamond Blvd. Playground and went very well.

Solicitor's Report

Nothing to report.

Secretary's Report

Mrs. Layton reported the Greater Johnstown Water Authority Annual Incorporating Municipalities Dinner will be held on May 29th.

Mayor's Report

Nothing to report.

1) COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Streets: Nothing to report.

B. Administration: Nothing to report.

C. Personnel: Mr. Pile absent.

D. Police Committee: Mr. Rodgers noted the chair of the Police Committee will now be Ed Danyluk.

E. Budget & Tax Collection Committee: Mr. Pile absent.

F. Shade Tree Committee: Nothing to report.

G. Buildings & Grounds Committee: Mr. Wargo reported the committee is obtaining estimates on replacing the municipal building sidewalks and landscaping and will meet with a landscaping engineer on May 22nd. Mr. Wargo stated a load of mulch will be delivered to the playground as soon as the current mulch dries out.

H. Greater Johnstown Water Authority: Mr. Pile absent.

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I. Open Records: Mr. Danyluk reported two open records requests received from Maureen Karas (April 2018 zoning permits) and Matthew Firm (Phase II Sewer Information)

J. Borough Services: Nothing to report.

K. Fire Company: Nothing to report.

L. Audit: Nothing to report.

M. Insurance: Mr. Paolini absent.

Business Items

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve ratification of payroll from April 17, 2018 through May 23, 2018 in the amount of \$22,167.43. Motion seconded by Mr. Danyluk. Roll call: Mr. Ewald, Mr. Danyluk, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Rodgers in favor. Mr. Paolini and Mr. Pile absent. Motion carried (5-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Danyluk to approve payment of bills from April 18, 2018 through May 22, 2018 in the amount of \$945,442.08. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Roll call: Mr. Ewald, Mr. Danyluk, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Rodgers in favor. Mr. Paolini and Mr. Pile absent. Motion carried (5-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to accept the April 2018 treasurers report in the amount of \$1,501,140.80. Motion seconded by Mr. Danyluk. Mr. Paolini and Mr. Pile absent. All in favor, motion carried (5-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to note the receipt of the April 2018 tax collectors report in the amount of \$169,447.08. Motion seconded by Mr. Danyluk. Mr. Paolini and Mr. Pile absent. All in favor, motion carried (5-0).

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Morgan for adjournment of the May 21, 2018 meeting at 4:548 P.M. Motion seconded by Mr. Danyluk. All in favor, motion carried (5-0).

Respectfully submitted,
Amanda D. Layton
Secretary/Treasurer