BOROUGH OF BRADDOCK HILLS MINUTES REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING October 18, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

Charles Arthrell, President of Council, called the regularly scheduled council meeting to order at 7:29 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Arthrell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALLING OF THE ROLL

Council Present: Mr. Arthrell, President; Mr. Evans, Vice President of Council; Mr. Henkel; Ms. Bolton;

Mr. Gambino; Ms. Yazvac

Others Present: Mr. Brown, Jr., Mayor; David DelGreco, Solicitor; Cheryl Sorrentino, Secretary

CALLING FOR APPROVAL OF MINUTES AS POSTED

Motion to approve minutes from September 20, 2017 meeting made by Ms. Yazvac All Ayes

CALLING FOR BIDS

Solicitor DelGreco opened two bids received for trash collection service in the Borough starting January 1, 2018. Bid proposals were received by Waste Management and County Hauling, which were opened and pricing was read by Solicitor DelGreco. (see attached).

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence was distributed prior to meeting.

COMMENTS & CRITICISMS OF CITIZENS (6 minutes each)

Erin Pierce with C.C. Mellor Library – Ms. Erin introduced herself as the new executive director of the library. She submitted a letter to the Borough requesting funding for year 2018.

Dan Matoney, 1429 Nurnath Street – Mr. Matoney asked Council what they are doing to start taxing the fireman's club since they are no long a fire department.

Mr. Arthrell stated that the Borough will begin taxing next year. We are waiting for them to get the affairs in order before they begin taxing the property.

REPORT OF BOROUGH COMMITTEES

FINANCE – CHAIRPERSON BOLTON

No report.

PUBLIC SAFETY - CHAIRPERSON GAMBINO

No report.

ZONING – CHAIRPERSON HENKEL

No report.

<u>ORDINANCES – CHAIRPERSON URSINY</u>

Motion to adopt Ordinance 5 of 2017 to prohibit parking on west side of Virginia Avenue

Motion - Ms. Yazvac Seconded - Mr. Gambino Roll Call Vote - Unanimous - Carried

HEALTH & SANITATION SERVICES – CHAIRPERSON YAZVAC

No report.

BUILDINGS & BOROUGH PROPERTY - CHAIRPERSON EVANS

Motion to adopt Ordinance 6 of 2017 to prohibit smoking and tobacco use in Borough owned property and recreational areas subject to certain exceptions permitting the designation of smoking areas at Borough owned property

Mr. Henkel asked if any areas are set aside for smokers. Mr. Arthrell replied that there is and it is stated in the ordinance.

Motion - Mr. Evans Seconded - Ms. Yazvac Roll Call Vote - Unanimous - Carried

Motion to approve a concurring Resolution for a CDBG grant application with Allegheny County Department of Economic Development through Steel Rivers Council of Governments to request the amount of \$20,400 for the renovation of the playground located at Brinton Road and Wilkins Avenue

Motion - Mr. Evans Seconded - Mr. Gambino Roll Call Vote - Unanimous - Carried

PUBLIC WORKS – CHAIRPERSON ARTHRELL

Getting ready for the winter. Ms. Bolton asked if the salt was ordered. Mr. Arthrell replied that the Borough has enough salt and will place an order as needed. There is a meeting tomorrow regarding salt bids and ordering that will be attended by our public works department.

REPORT OF BOROUGH OFFICERS

MAYOR – JOHN BROWN, JR.

Mayor Brown read the fire and police reports for September 2017 (see attached).

He attended a press conference with Ms. Bolton that was held by Secretary DePasquale regarding Woodland Hills School District.

He is still attending meetings with PennDOT regarding the I-376 Corridor.

Also, he attended the meeting with Chief Helinski regarding emergency preparedness and hazmat. Pennsylvania Region 13 Task Force and Homeland Security presented it. He discussed the topics and speakers.

SOLICITOR – DAVID DELGRECO

No report.

ENGINEER - EADS GROUP

Solicitor DelGreco read the Engineer's report (see attached).

REPORT OF COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS: CHAIRPERSON ARTHRELL

Mr. Arthrell stated that they have been applying for grants and will continue to apply for more funding.

THREE RIVERS WET WEATHER: CHAIRPERSON ARTHRELL

Mr. Arthrell attended the Sewer Conference with Cheryl Sorrentino.

OTHER COMMITTEES

No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mr. Arthrell stated that Mike Belmont, Board Member of Woodland Hills School District, spoke with Council at their caucus meeting. He gave them updates on taxes and expenditures of the school, including pension, transportation and charter schools. He explained that a large percentage of their budget are spent on these items.

Also, Mr. Arthrell updated everyone on the Woodland Hills EMS situation. The EMS proposed a half mil increase to help with their funding. They withdrew that proposal and asking for \$25.00 per household in its place. He stated that they are looking into Eastern Area EMS if necessary.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Arthrell stated that trick or treating has been scheduled for Tuesday, October 31 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The Borough will be patrolled by the police and North Braddock fire department.

CALLING FOR APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT AS POSTED

Motion to approve the treasurer's report by Mr. Gambino.
All ayes

CALLING FOR APPROVAL TO PAY ALL BILLS AS POSTED IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$68,213.71 TO INCLUDE:

- General fund expenses of \$55,130.70
- Sewer fund expense of \$3,630.07
- Refuse fund expenses of \$9,452.94

Motion – Ms. Bolton Seconded – Mr. Gambino Roll Call Vote – Unanimous – Carried

Mr. Brown stated that resident Tony Buba will be featured on CNN show on Sunday, October 22 at 9:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING TO THE CALL OF THE CHAIR

Mr. Arthrell adjourned the meeting at 8:08 p.m.