

CITY COUNCIL
Sunbury PA 17801
May 23, 2016
6:15 pm

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Council of the City of Sunbury was called to order with the Honorable Vice Mayor Elizabeth Kremer presiding. There was a quorum with the following in attendance:

Elizabeth R. Kremer, Director of Accounts and Finance
Richard L. Reichner, Director of Public Safety
Dale L. Henry, Director of Public Works
James R. Eister, Director of Parks, Recreation and Public Buildings

Other City officials in attendance:

Kevin E. Troup, City Treasurer
Lisa J. Martina, City Controller
Kenneth Long, Asst. Public Works Supervisor
Michael Rhoads, Zoning Officer
Terry Specht, City Clerk

There were twenty (20) visitors present.

A moment of silent reflection was held after the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT/AGENDA ITEMS

Councilwoman Kremer asked for comments on agenda items and there were none.

CDBG

Councilwoman Kremer introduced Mr. Dan Green the new project coordinator for CDBG for the city. The process for FY2016 funding has begun. Project selection must be in by June 3rd. Sunbury's allocation is \$272,958.

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Wake the Lake is June 4th and this year it will include a boat and camper show from 10:00 am to 7:00 pm and June 11th is city-wide yard sales, sidewalk sales and the Loving and Caring Street Fair.

720 N. 5TH ST/CONVERT FROM COMMERCIAL TO RENTAL UNIT

Councilman Reichner moved to allow the conversion of 720 N. 5th St. to a rental unit by the owner, Joseph Romano. The property does have off-street parking. All changes made to the building must have valid permits. Second – Henry. Unanimous vote.

SUN-RE CHEESE/WAIVE STORM WATER REQUIREMENTS

Councilman Reichner moved to waive the storm water requirements for the Sun Re Cheese property. They are rebuilding and there won't be any changes in impervious areas. There will be approximately 7,000 sq. ft. in expansion but that will not affect the 10% run-off for the 10 year flood plain. Mr. Bakowicz reviewed the plan as did Mr. McCreary from Northumberland County Conservation District. A pre-construction meeting will be held soon so the project can be started. Local contractors are being used. Second – Eister. Unanimous vote.

APPROVAL TO PAY INVOICES

Councilman Reichner moved to pay the invoices reported on the voucher's payable report in the amount of \$278,771.45 from the General Fund. Second –Reichner. Unanimous vote.

AUDIENCE COMMENT

Ms. Regina Russell, Community Activist: Is the city doing anything to prevent the mosquito population at the swimming pool. Councilman Eister answered the pool has chemicals so there are no problems. There is no standing water for nesting. The code office is also looking for standing water in the city. She thanked Councilman Reichner for speaking with the manager at Wire Rope and starting a plan for clean-up. She asked everyone to be vigilant about standing water. Ms. Julie Broschius said the zika mosquito is in the southern states.

Mr. Jim Snyder: What did the code office find out about utilities needing a contractor's license? Councilwoman Kremer said they are controlled by the PUC and the city receives a check each year to allow them to work in the city. They do not need a contractor's license since they are regulated by the PUC. The satellite based companies are also federally regulated because it is based on free space and do not have to purchase a contractor's license.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A bike auction will be held at the Chestnut St. warehouse on June 4th at 9:00 am.

2016 swim lesson registration forms available in the city clerk's office

2016 pool memberships are available in the treasurer's office.

Loving & Caring Fair to benefit the Spreading Antlers Children's Foundation is June 11th in Cameron Park.

There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Specht, City Clerk