

IVYLAND BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

January 9, 2019

CALL TO ORDER: 7:32 p.m.

PRESENT: Council Members: President Sal DiPaolo,
Vice President Bill Linwood, Albert DeGideo, Elaine Butkus, Vince Mancinelli,

ABSENT: Council Members: Chuck Bristow, Christina Finello

OTHERS: Tony Judice, Mayor
Geoffrey Attanasio, Engineer, Boucher & James
Greg Sturn, Solicitor
Janet Pacchioli, Treasurer/Secretary

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS FOLLOWED BY A MOMENT OF SILENCE

MINUTES OF 12/12/18:

Bill Linwood made a MOTION, seconded by Elaine Butkus to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2018 Council meeting as presented.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4-0-1. Albert DeGideo abstained due to absence.

TREASURER’S FINAL 2018 REPORT – PREPAID BILLS THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2018:

Janet Pacchioli read the Treasurer’s final 2018 report into the record and it was accepted subject to audit.

Prepaid bills from December Council meeting to the end of December 31, 2018 totaled \$32,358.21.

Bill Linwood made a MOTION, seconded by Albert DeGideo to approve prepaid bills from December Council meeting to the end of December 31, 2018 in the amount of \$32,358.21.

MOTION was ADOPTED 5-0.

BILLS LIST – 2019:

Janet Pacchioli reported that bills list – 2019; prepaid bills totaled \$3,857.36 and unpaid bills total \$13,364.88.

Vince Mancinelli made a MOTION, seconded by Bill Linwood to approve 2019 prepaid bills in the amount of \$3,857.36 and to approve payment of unpaid bills in the amount of \$13,364.88.

Sal DiPaolo questioned two separate bills from Boroughs Association.

Janet Pacchioli replied there were two separate bills; one for dues and the other for the listing in their catalog.

MOTION was ADOPTED 5-0.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Janet Pacchioli read a letter of notification to Mr. George Schlossberg, Attorney confirming discussion of December 12, 2018 in regards to the fact that Ivyland Borough has received no inquiries in response to the notice of availability for the Jacksonville Road properties as published in the local newspaper on August 20, 2018 and enclosed with the letter was a copy of the affidavit of publication.

Also, a representative of the Recorder of Deeds has requested to be on a future Council meeting agenda in regards to a presentation on the Bucks County Adopt-A-Book Program.

Council agreed.

Janet Pacchioli said Financial Interest Statements are due by May. Council received updated contact info on Council members as well as an updated list of Committees and its members. Bee, Bergvall Inc., is currently performing an audit taking place in the Borough Office. Also, she will be on vacation from January 20th until February 3rd.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT:

Bill Linwood made a MOTION, seconded by Albert DeGideo to approve the Zoning Officer's report as presented.

MOTION was ADOPTED 5-0.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT:

Property located at 1 Barton; issue with water runoff across the sidewalk has been resolved.

Property located at 26 Gough; graffiti has been removed.

Property located at 49 Chase Avenue; service wire was repaired and there will be a lien on the property for that cost. Regarding the van; one final letter was sent as the last attempt to have the vehicle removed or registered, and after 10 days, it will be towed and 30 days later it will be considered abandoned. If towed, a letter will be sent to the owner providing option to pick it up.

Property located at 18 Valentine Road; demolition permit was issued and that process has begun. The house will be rebuilt immediately, exactly the same as it was.

There was a meeting with owners and operations manager of the Hotel and they indicated bids are currently being solicited for carpentry work.

Regarding Mill property; it is being cleaned up and there are court dates on January 14th and January 16th.

REPORT OF PRESIDENT:

Sal DiPaolo wished everyone a "Happy New Year!" Also, he spoke with Geff Rapp who indicated interest in renewing his lease of the former Dorothy Henry School building for his business. Also, Geff indicated that he would be willing to assist with the Borough's website and Loud Speaker publication.

ENGINEER:

Geoffrey Attanasio, Engineer, Boucher & James, said regarding testing for asbestos of the homes formerly occupied by the BCHG; three proposals were received in the amounts of \$11,000; \$3,600 and \$4,400, and the lowest bid was from React Environmental Professional Services Group Inc., who provided an itemized list of what is included in their price of \$3,600.

Bill Linwood made a MOTION, seconded by Vince Mancinelli to approve React Environmental Professional Services Group Inc., the lowest responsible bidder, in the amount of \$3,600.00 to perform testing/evaluation of asbestos of the homes formerly occupied by the BCHG on Jacksonville Road.

MOTION was ADOPTED 5-0.

Geoffrey Attanasio continued that in regards to Holly Tree Farm; Greg Sturn will provide estimates for repair of brick work and overlay of the cul-de-sac to the reps of Holly Tree Farm.

Greg Sturn agreed that he will contact reps of Holly Tree Farm about those estimates.

SOLICITOR:

Greg Sturn said there is a court hearing against Mr. Cremeans next week in regards to zoning violations at the Mill; however, there was a small administrative snafu with regards to the complaint on the house because the certified mail receipts cannot be located, so we cannot show that the enforcement notice was sent certified.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES:

PARKS AND RECREATION:

Appointment of Adam Case and Ted Kowalski to Parks & Recreation Committee for five-year terms from 2019-2023.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Reappointments of Chuck Bristow and Vince Mancinelli to the Planning Commission for four-year terms from 2019-2022.

Bill Linwood made a MOTION, seconded by Vince Mancinelli to appoint Adam Case and Ted Kowalski to Parks & Recreation Committee for five-year terms from 2019-2023 and reappoint Chuck Bristow and Vince Mancinelli to the Planning Commission for four-year terms from 2019-2022.

MOTION was ADOPTED 5-0.

ZONING HEARING BOARD:

Reappointment of Robert Scotese to the Zoning Hearing Board for a three-year term from 2019-2021.

Sal DiPaolo made a MOTION, seconded by Bill Linwood to reappoint Robert Scotese to the Zoning Hearing Board for a three-year term from 2019-2021 by adoption of Resolution No. 2019-1.

MOTION was ADOPTED 5-0.

MAYOR:

Mayor Judice said he met with Sergeant Carey following the last Council meeting in which Sergeant Carey then met with rep of the District Attorney's Office, and as a result, all Ivyland Borough Police Officers now carry Narcan in their police vehicles and training will be scheduled.

Also, he received notification from the DVRPC (Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission) that review of feasibility study is scheduled for January 28, 2019 at 3 p.m., and he requested that Borough Engineer of Boucher & James to attend. Also, there is the possibility that a rep from DVRPC will want to make a presentation at a future Council meeting about Phase II and Phase III - construction phase.

Police Report for December 2018:

Mayor Judice reported for December 2018; there were 51 calls for service; one physical arrest; 27 traffic citations issued; six written warnings and one parking ticket issued and there was one non-reportable accident and one reportable accident. Check received from District Court was in the amount of \$854.33.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PARKS AND RECREATION: No report.

FINANCE: No report.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Bill Linwood reported that the police now carry Narcan and training will be scheduled, and the Fire Company is running smoothly. Regarding IT upgrades for the Borough Office/Police Department; he would like to pass this matter onto someone who is more knowledgeable in this field; however, he will remain as off-hours contact person as he has access to the Borough Office/Police Department building.

Elaine Butkus indicated she would be happy to assist with the IT upgrade items.

Sal DiPaolo suggested forming a subcommittee who could meet with IT representatives and then bring recommendations back to Council.

STREETS/WALKS:

Vince Mancinelli reported that he spoke with a few Borough residents in the Village about sidewalk repair and they indicated it would be done in the spring. Also, lamppost #30 is blinking off/on.

Janet Pacchioli noted that the sidewalk at the corner by the Ivyland Store is deteriorating.

PLANNING COMMISSION: None.

BORO PROPERTY:

Albert DeGideo said in regards to fire alarm system for the former Dorothy Henry School building; he spoke with a representative of Tilley Fire Inspection Company who indicated that their original estimate of \$20,000 would increase to bring that building up to NFPA (National Fire Protection Association) standards and they are not inclined to provide only a few items of that service, and if not all services are to be performed, then they want a release from any type of work that would be done.

He looked into other alternatives such as interconnected wireless smoke and CO detectors for approximately \$75 each with a 10-year lifespan, and if one alarm sounds, so would the other, and he suggested installing six of them. Also, it is important to install lighted exit signs by an electrician. He will speak with Geoff Rapp about getting the smoke and CO detectors installed as soon as possible and then he will look into estimates for lighted exit signs and come back before Council with a recommendation. Also, approximately five or six fire extinguishers should be installed in that building.

FIRE COMPANY:

Dave Sharp, Fire Chief of Ivyland Fire Company, reported that there were 87 calls in 2018; a list of activities by the Fire Company was provided to Sal DiPaolo for publication and a copy of 2019 budget was provided to Janet Pacchioli. New officers were elected last month and that information has been updated on Borough's website; training is ongoing and both trucks are back in service. Next event will be a Pancake Breakfast to be held on March 10th.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

Albert DeGideo said he is working on updating the Emergency Management Plan for Ivyland Borough.

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NEW BUSINESS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Vile, Recording Secretary

Minutes approved by Borough Council _____, 2019