

Mayor Carl Kamm called the January 11, 2017, meeting of the Berlin Heights Council to order at 7:00P.M. All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Members in attendance were: Marshall Cade, Richard Eckel, Karen Foster, Connie Ward, and Bill Werner. Others in attendance were Harold Leuzler, Dan Wright, Scott Thom, and Charity Schafer.

COUNCIL ORGANIZATION

Eckel moved and Ward seconded to elect Richard Close as Council President Pro Tempore. All present voted aye.

Foster moved and Cade seconded to retain the same Rules of Council for the year 2017. All present voted aye. Ward moved and Werner seconded to confirm the Mayor's appointment of Brett Leimeister to Village Planning Commission and Bill Coleman to the Zoning Board of Appeals. All present voted aye.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Scott Thom from the Erie County Health Department presented the Council the annual report of Construction permits, Manufactured Home permits, and Healthy Home program.

ZONING INSPECTOR'S REPORT

None

Mayor Kamm presented the minutes of the December 14, 2016 meeting. Cade moved and Foster seconded to approve the minutes as written. All present voted aye.

MAYOR'S REPORT

DUI fines of \$132.00 State Costs_\$0.00_ were received from Erie County Court.

The police activity report for December, 2016, was presented. The report will be placed on file.

The Baker property has been sold to the Erie County Land Bank and should be demolished in the spring.

The 2016 Regional Planning Winter Report has been received.

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT

GENERAL FUND	\$142,862.48	PAYROLL	\$ 10,742.43
SPECIAL REVENUE	\$ 60,840.88	BILLS	\$ <u>7,265.85</u>
POLICE LEVY	\$ 13,304.17		
TOTAL	\$217,007.53	TOTAL	\$ 18,008.28

Foster moved and Ward seconded to pay the bills. All present voted aye.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Street- Mr. Leuzler reported repairs on the truck and trash cans have been painted. He also stated that he will be retiring May 31, 2017.

Park- Dumpster is still at the park and being emptied.

OLD BUSINESS

The Mayor has not received Village Hall ADA remodel quotes.

Discussion was held about Gilhuly's use of the Village driveway. Mr. Strickler stated that the Village Council

does not have the authority to override the Village Planning Commission site plan determinations. He stated that the use of the driveway could subject the Village to increased liability. If the Village would grant permission for the use of the driveway, the Village would need to receive a hold harmless agreement and proof of additional liability insurance for the Village. Foster moved and Werner seconded for Mr. Stricker to draw up an ordinance granting permission to DWMW Enterprises, LLC to use the Village driveway with the following stipulations: Village has the right to cancel at any time, liability insurance provided, and agreement to hold harmless the Village. All present voted aye.

NEW BUSINESS

Eckel moved and Foster seconded to adopt 2017 Final Appropriations in the amount of \$513,681.04. All present voted aye.

Chief Schafer discussed the purchase of the Ford Explorer for a new Police Vehicle. The quote is for about \$35,000.00 totally equipped. Ordinance will be prepared for the purchase.

Ward moved and Cade seconded to enter into executive session to discuss personnel and employee compensation. All present voted aye.

Ward moved and Cade seconded to adjourn executive session. All present voted aye.

Foster moved and Eckel seconded for the following employee raises and bonuses effective January 1, 2017: Zoning Inspector \$300.00 bonus for work in 2016, all hourly employees \$0.20 increase per hour, Police Chief \$720.00 per year increase, Fiscal Officer \$1,000.00 per year increase. All present voted aye.

ADJOURN: At 8:05pm Ward moved and Foster seconded to adjourn. All present voted aye.

Mayor Carl J. Kamm

Attest: Kathy A. Deehr, Fiscal Officer