

MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY AUGUST 12, 2020

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Regular session of Borough Council convened at 7:30 pm. Present were Councilors Tim Sloss, Mike Matlos, Janice Matyasovsky, Jennifer Riley-McClelland, Christopher Gretz (via phone), Elizabeth Lape, and Michael Zrenchak, Mayor Larry Sikorski, Solicitor Matt Racunas (via phone).

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Vicki Underwood – 207 Southern Avenue – Ms. Underwood came to the meeting as a follow-up to her husband’s comments at the previous meeting. She thanked council for coming to look at their concerns about the alley behind their house. Mr. Zrenchak said that they want to make sure it is done right.

Paul Gasparovic – 2808 E Street commented that he lives where it flattens out and he is concerned about the drainage. Mr. Zrenchak agreed that the drainage is a concern because they do not want to flood anyone’s yards.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Property** – Mrs. Lape, Chairman reporting

Mrs. Lape reported that she spoke with Jim Brewster and we are getting a grant for \$150,000 for the demolition of the school and also a \$100,000 grant for the pump station.

**POLICE, FIRE, and EMS** – Mr. Sloss, Chairman and Mr. Gretz, Chairman reporting

Mr. Sloss read the Fire Report for July 2020:

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| Wires Down       | 1        |
| Fire Alarm       | 1        |
| Brush Fire       | 2        |
| Structure Fire   | 2        |
| Vehicle Accident | 2        |
| CO Alarm         | 1        |
| Stand By         | <u>1</u> |
| Total            | 10       |

Mr. Derr – Fire Chief had nothing to add to the report. Mr. Zrenchak thanked him for all they do for the borough. Mrs. Matyasovsky urged everyone to turn in their subscription to the fire department because they need it. All of the fund raisers have been cancelled. Eileen Wall said that she received a second bill from the EMS. Mrs. Matyasovsky said that they have not had a meeting in a while but she would check on it.

**LEGISLATION:** – Mr. Gretz, Chairman, reporting

There was nothing to report.

**PARKS & RECREATION:** – Mrs. McClelland, Chairman, reporting

Mrs. McClelland said that there are a couple things they are considering for Halloween but she is unsure what that looks like yet. We are trying to come up with ideas and are open to ideas if anyone hears what other communities are doing. Also, she said that we are going to replace the sliding board behind the fire hall that has been broken for quite some time. Mrs. McClelland commented that Mr. Sloss said we can get a slide for about \$300 which is cheaper than the \$1,000 insurance deductible.

Mrs. McClelland thanked Jason Ewing for donating masks to the police department. He donated them in March or April. She apologized for the delay in thanking him.

**HEALTH AND ORDINANCE:** Mrs. Lape, Chairman, reporting.

There was nothing to report.

**LIGHTS:** Mr. Matlos, Chairman, reporting

There was nothing to report this month.

**FINANCE:** – Mrs. Matyasovsky, Chairman, reporting

Bills for Ratification (\$31,234.95) and List of Bills (\$10,459.02): **Motion** to pay.

Motion: Mr. Matlos

Second: Mr. Sloss

All in favor, motion carries.

Ratification

|            |       |                                        |          |
|------------|-------|----------------------------------------|----------|
| 07/10/2020 | EFT   | FIRST COMMONWEALTH BANK                | 3,686.14 |
| 07/12/2020 | EFT   | FIRST COMMONWEALTH BANK                | 1,301.99 |
| 07/16/2020 | 21429 | AMERICAN NATURAL SUPPLY LLC            | 2,284.02 |
| 07/16/2020 | 21430 | AMTRUST NORTH AMERICA                  | 4,128.74 |
| 07/16/2020 | 21431 | BUILDING INSPECTION UNDERWRITERS OF PA | 275.00   |
| 07/16/2020 | 21432 | COMCAST                                | 296.50   |
| 07/16/2020 | 21433 | COMMONWEALTH OF PA                     | 65.00    |
| 07/16/2020 | 21434 | DIRECT ENERGY BUSINESS                 | 373.06   |
| 07/16/2020 | 21435 | GUY NORELLI GRAPHICS                   | 208.00   |
| 07/16/2020 | 21436 | HTM DESIGNS                            | 15.00    |
| 07/16/2020 | 21437 | McManus Merchants                      | 72.90    |
| 07/16/2020 | 21438 | ONE DIGITAL                            | 320.34   |
| 07/16/2020 | 21439 | PSAB U/C PLAN                          | 1,008.82 |
| 07/16/2020 | 21440 | QUILL                                  | 165.46   |
| 07/16/2020 | 21441 | UPMC HEALTH PLAN                       | 4,747.13 |
| 07/16/2020 | 21442 | VERIZON GARAGE                         | 55.04    |
| 07/16/2020 | 21443 | WESTCOM WIRELESS INC                   | 43.00    |
| 07/30/2020 | 21444 | AMERICAN LEGAL SERVICES                | 72.40    |
| 07/30/2020 | 21445 | CHRISTIE AND ASSOCIATES                | 420.00   |
| 07/30/2020 | 21446 | FINNERAN, SHAUN M                      | 225.00   |
| 07/30/2020 | 21447 | LAW ENFORCEMENT SYSTEMS                | 64.00    |
| 07/30/2020 | 21448 | MCI                                    | 30.84    |

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| 07/30/2020 | 21449 | MR JOHN                    | 384.00           |
| 07/30/2020 | 21450 | ORKIN EXTERMINATING        | 207.92           |
| 07/30/2020 | 21451 | PA AMERICAN WATER          | 153.05           |
| 07/30/2020 | 21452 | RICOH USA                  | 149.42           |
| 07/30/2020 | 21453 | S & D CALIBRATION SERVICES | 28.10            |
| 07/30/2020 | 21454 | SPRINT                     | 159.76           |
| 07/30/2020 | 21455 | WESTCOM WIRELESS INC       | 55.00            |
| 07/30/2020 | 21456 | WITMER ASSOCIATES, INC.    | 45.51            |
| 08/04/2020 | 21457 | ONE DIGITAL                | 311.08           |
| 08/04/2020 | 21458 | Premier Glass Company      | 324.00           |
| 08/04/2020 | 21459 | RACUNAS LAW GROUP LLC      | 4,530.00         |
| 08/06/2020 | 21460 | AFLAC                      | 40.60            |
| 08/10/2020 | EFT   | FIRST COMMONWEALTH BANK    | 3,686.14         |
| 08/12/2020 | EFT   | FIRST COMMONWEALTH BANK    | 1,301.99         |
|            |       |                            | <u>31,234.95</u> |

Bills to Pay

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|------------|-------|----------------------------------|------------------|
| 08/12/2020 | 4481  | DUQUESNE LIGHT CO                | -3,207.85        |
| 08/12/2020 | 11177 | AMERICAN WATER                   | -67.90           |
| 08/12/2020 | 11178 | DIRECT ENERGY BUSINESS           | -35.99           |
| 08/12/2020 | 11179 | GLENN ENGINEERING & ASSOC        | -77.50           |
| 08/12/2020 | 11180 | PA MUNICIPAL SERVICE CO          | -909.99          |
| 08/12/2020 | 21461 | ABCO FIRE PROTECTION INC         | -125.00          |
| 08/12/2020 | 21462 | AQUA FILTER FRESH INC            | -65.42           |
|            |       | BUILDING INSPECTION UNDERWRITERS |                  |
| 08/12/2020 | 21463 | OF PA                            | -425.00          |
| 08/12/2020 | 21464 | COLLURA, DAVE                    | -175.00          |
| 08/12/2020 | 21465 | COMCAST                          | -163.81          |
| 08/12/2020 | 21466 | DERKAS AUTO SERVICE              | -549.65          |
| 08/12/2020 | 21467 | DIRECT ENERGY BUSINESS           | -516.70          |
| 08/12/2020 | 21468 | DUQUESNE LIGHT CO                | -249.20          |
|            |       | FIRST COMMONWEALTH BANK (CREDIT  |                  |
| 08/12/2020 | 21469 | CARD)                            | -148.99          |
| 08/12/2020 | 21470 | GLENN ENGINEERING & ASSOC        | -1,500.00        |
| 08/12/2020 | 21471 | HTM DESIGNS                      | -15.00           |
| 08/12/2020 | 21472 | JEFFERSON HILLS LAWN & EQUIP     | -55.02           |
| 08/12/2020 | 21473 | ONE DIGITAL                      | -40.00           |
| 08/12/2020 | 21474 | PA AMERICAN WATER                | -1,097.18        |
| 08/12/2020 | 21475 | PEOPLES NATURAL GAS              | -71.61           |
| 08/12/2020 | 21476 | R A FOSTER & SON CO              | -159.80          |
| 08/12/2020 | 21477 | SHERWIN WILLIAMS CO              | -392.85          |
| 08/12/2020 | 21478 | SPRINT                           | -69.56           |
| 08/12/2020 | 21479 | STEEL RIVERS COG                 | -340.00          |
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|            |       |                                  | <u>10,459.02</u> |

General Fund receipts for July \$47,623.98

Liability Insurance: **Motion** to ratify the action taken in accepting the proposal from Christie and Associates in the amount \$66,074.00

Motion: Mr. Matlos  
All in favor, motion carries.

Second: Mrs. Lape

**PERSONNEL:**– Mrs. McClelland, Chairman, reporting.

There was nothing to report.

**STREETS & SEWERS:** Mr. Zrenchak, Chairman, Mr. Sloss, Chairman, reporting

Mr. Zrenchak announced that along with the \$150,000 grant for the school, we received a \$100,000 grant for the replacement of the pump station. The total cost for replacement is about \$150,000

**MAYOR’S REPORT:**

Mayor Sikorski read a partial list of the police activity for the month as follows:

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|----------------------------|----|
| Local Ordinance Complaints | 13 |
| Welfare Checks             | 5  |
| Traffic Stops              | 11 |
| Citations                  | 1  |

Mayor Sikorski said that the lady that lives on Owens who had a fire was praising the police officer that responded. She said that he went out of his way and could not do enough for her. Mayor Sikorski did not know who the officer was. Mr. Zrenchak said that the easiest way to find out is to look back at the schedules. Eileen and Bill Wall said that it was Harrison.

**SOLICITOR’S REPORT:** Matt Racunas, Solicitor, reporting.

**Motion** to approve advertisement of Ordinance 2020-04 creating a handicap parking space at 2811 B Street.

Motion: Mr. Matlos  
All in favor, motions carries.

Second: Mrs. Lape

**ENGINEER’S REPORT:**

Mr. Zrenchak stated that the CDGB application for Year 47 is due by September 4<sup>th</sup> so they are going to take a look at a couple projects one of which is the Glenn Avenue embankment project and the other is to supplement the funding for the pump station. They are going to look into what would look more favorable.

We did apply for the CDBG Year 46 grant for the B Street storm sewer project. That came in that it would be funded with the borough’s share would be about \$25,000. We

got word that the project would be fully funded with no cost to the borough other than additional work that we want to do.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Mr. Zrenchak stated that we have been trying to fill some vacancies on the Planning Board and the Zoning Board. We received 1 letter for each board. He asked that if anyone was interested in either board to please submit an application, resume or letter of interest to the borough. The other position we are looking to fill is the Chairman of the Vacancy board. He said we can advertise for those positions on Savvy Citizen.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Motion** to ratify Resolution 2020-06 approving the acceptance of the CARES Act to receive funds up to \$60,000 from Allegheny County.

Motion: Mr. Matlos  
All in favor, motion carries

Second: Mrs. Matyasovsky

**Motion** to ratify the Covid-19 Hazard Pay Grant application that was submitted.

Motion: Mr. Matlos  
All in favor, motion carries

Second: Mrs. McClelland

**Motion** to accept the typed minutes from the July 8, 2020 .

Motion: Mr. Matlos  
All in favor, motion carries.

Second: Mrs. Matyasovsky

Next meeting date/times: Wednesday, September 9, 2020. Work Session at 6:00 pm;  
Regular Session at 7:30 pm.

**Motion** to adjourn.

Motion: Mrs. McClelland  
Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm

Second: Mrs. Matyasovsky

Respectfully Submitted By:

Jill Pack

Secretary