



BOROUGH OF DORMONT

EXECUTIVE SESSION 6:00 PM

Personnel Matter and Real Estate Matter

REGULAR MEETING OF THE DORMONT BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 1, 2015 7:00PM IN THE DORMONT MUNICIPAL CENTER COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Council President McCartney called the Meeting of the Dormont Borough Council to order at 7:00PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

The following members of Council responded to roll call:

Onnie Costanzo, Jeff Fabus, Joan Hodson, Drew Lehman, John Maggio, Bill McCartney

Also present: Interim Manager, Rebecca Bradley
John Rushford, Borough Solicitor
Mayor Phil Ross
Jr. Council Member, Connor Tokarsky

REGISTERED COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR

Mayor Ross informed that during the month of May the Police Department responded to 280 calls for service.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance and Legal: Costanzo briefed on a Finance and Legal Committee Meeting that was held on Monday, May 18th to discuss a policy on abatement or forgiveness of penalty and interest on sewage and garbage. Present at the meeting was Costanzo, Maggio, Rushford and Martino. The borough code requires the borough to charge penalties and interest on delinquent sewage bills, garbage bills and real estate taxes. The only way to forgive real estate delinquencies is through the courts with full exoneration. The committee advises that the borough follow code and not abate any penalties and interest on garbage or sewage.

Costanzo briefed on the Borough's financial state and recommended that council hold off on any Seven Springs Conferences for 2015.

Community Affairs/Recreation: Fabus briefed on events: the Farmer's Market started today, the Movie in the Park on June 12th is Big Hero 6, and the Dormont Dash was very successful. Profits will go to the Joey Fabus Childhood Cancer Foundation; May is the month for Brain Cancer Awareness, the Recreation Board has recommended that we keep that theme for next year's event. The winner was from Seattle, Washington. Thank you to all that helped with the event.

The D on the new Dormont Park sign was missing, it has been replaced. A young man and his friend were climbing over the wall and broke it; they brought it up to the borough and said they were sorry and paid for it.

Public Safety/Service: Hodson informed that during the month of April MRTSA responded to 63 calls for service in Dormont; 524 service wide. MRTSA is running their program subscription and in Dormont there were 530 renewals and 89 new subscribers.

During the month of May the Borough received 35 complaints relating to Code Enforcement and out of that 4 are resolved.

Hodson informed that during the month of April the DVFD responded to 30 calls for service and the total for May is 22. Hodson briefed on the annual DFVD raffle.

Code Enforcement Officer, Monica Dahlkemper, gave an update on the mailbox graffiti.

Property, Supplies and Planning: Martino not present.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT REPORT

McCartney informed that the Borough Engineer, Wayne McVicar, was contacted last week by the Pennsylvania County Commissioners Association. The Association invited the Borough to address their annual convention in August.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT

Interim Manager, Rebecca Bradley, informed that all of the push buttons at the pedestrian cross walks on West Liberty Avenue are scheduled to be replaced tomorrow and Wednesday. Bradley

stated that those will come at no cost to the Borough and will include Wisconsin and Hillsdale Avenues. Bradley informed that emergency prompters that were installed upside-down will also be re-installed by a new company.

Bradley briefed on a conversation she had with the Manager from Mt. Lebanon about putting together an agreement with them to do traffic signal maintenance for the Borough.

Bradley briefed on a request from the Traffic and Parking Planning Commission to the Council to re-address the CMU Parking Study and consider the recommendations that were given from the Commission a while back. She will ask them to review the study piece by piece and give separate recommendations.

Bradley briefed on work being done in the Borough by Port Authority on the three T Crossings.

Bradley briefed on fire inspections in the Borough.

McCartney thanked Representative Dan Miller's office for helping with the traffic signal situation.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Hodson , second by Costanzo to accept Consent Agenda Items A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K (A. Motion to accept the written report of the Borough Solicitor, B. Motion to approve the written reports of Borough Officials, C. Motion to approve the Minutes of the May 4, 2015 Council Business Meeting, D. Motion to approve the Warrant List for May 2015, E. Motion to approve the request of the Tax Collector for exoneration from the collection of 2014 real estate taxes in the amount of \$124,877.02 which have been turned over to Jordan Tax Service for delinquent collection, F. Motion to accept the recommendation of the Engineer authorizing Payment No. 2 in the amount of \$53,394.97 to Insight Pipe Contracting, L.P., for the 2015 Cured In Place Lining Project, G. Motion to accept the recommendation of the Road Superintendent to apply for LED light conversion through the Duquesne Light Pilot program for ten lights on Potomac Avenue beginning at the tracks and heading towards the Borough boundary line and continuing on to Dwight Avenue at a cost of \$109.00 per light replacement, H. Motion accepting the recommendation of the Park Superintendent to employ Joe Garfold as a permanent employee of the Dormont Parks Department upon the successful completion of his probationary period effective June 16, 2015, I. Motion approving the repair of the air conditioner unit at the Recreation Center at a cost not to exceed \$4,000.00 to Carusso, J. Motion to accept the recommendation of the Recreation Director to use the food truck provided by Keystone Oaks for the Summer Lunch Program instead of the Allegheny County delivery, K. Motion to accept the recommendation of the Recreation Director to enter into a contract with Ruff Creek Band for a performance at Dormont Day at a cost of \$1,200.00)

Motion carried 6-0.

ACTION ITEMS

A. Motion by Costanzo, second by Hodson to approve Resolution #8-2015 amending and consolidating the Schedule of Fees Resolutions.

Public Comment: None.
Council Discussion: None.
Motion carried 5-1; Maggio, No.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Presentation by the Adhoc Citizens' Stormwater Management Committee – Stormwater Authority.

McCartney, Stormwater Committee Chairperson Frank Stumpo, and Hazen and Sawyer Consulting Engineers Employee Debbie, all participated in the Stormwater presentation.

McCartney briefed on the Stormwater Public Workshop being held on Thursday, June 18th.

John Rushford informed what an Authority is and how they are hired.

Bob Palmieri, Espy Avenue RE: Map of impervious surface percentages. Source of phosphorus. Stormwater detention.

B. Review of April Financial Statement.

Bradley briefed on the Financial Statement, including real estate taxes.

C. Update on progress on Conservatorship Properties.

1. 1477 Dormont Avenue
2. 2708 Broadway Avenue

Bradley briefed on the Conservatorship Properties. There will be a Special Meeting held on Monday, June 15th at 7:00 PM to get an authorization to advertise the sale of 1477 Dormont Avenue. Funds will replenish the Contingency Fund.

Engineering fees related to sewer, reconstruction and maintenance projects shall now come from the Sewer Fund.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Lehman commended Dig Dormont for the work they did at the passive park.

Bob McClellan, 2705 Philadelphia Avenue RE: Stop signs on Park Blvd. at the T tracks should be removed; potholes on Potomac Avenue, West Liberty Avenue and the top of Park Blvd; who checks the jobs once they're completed? Trucks parked on the street; Philadelphia Avenue sinking in.

Silvia Palmieri, 2737 Espy Avenue RE: Intersection at Broadway Avenue and Wenzel Avenue.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

