



BOROUGH OF DORMONT

EXECUTIVE SESSION 6:00 PM

Personnel Issue and Real Estate Issue, Conservatorship Property

REGULAR MEETING OF THE DORMONT BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, JULY 6, 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, Val Martino,
Bill McCartney

Also present: Borough Manager Ben Estell
Borough Solicitor John Rushford
Mayor Phil Ross
Junior Council Member Connor Tokarsky

REGISTERED COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR

Mayor Ross briefed on Dormont Day; it was a great event, a lot of hard work and no problems. Chief Bisignani informed that the Police Department responded to 308 calls for service. Bisignani briefed on the SHACOG SWAT team and commended Officer Dailey on his dedication to his job with them.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance and Legal: Costanzo briefed on the budget and the Borough's property taxes.

Community Affairs/Recreation: Fabus briefed on Dormont Day; thanked everyone that helped set up and the sponsors.

Recreation and Community Affairs Director, Kristin Hullihen, briefed on Dormont Day; she thanked all the volunteers. The borough is looking for volunteers for a Dormont Day Committee run by the Borough.

Fabus briefed on Movies in the Park; the June movie was cancelled due to the weather. There will be two movies in July; Box Trolls and the Big Hero 6. The Hollywood Theater has many great upcoming events.

Mr. Ray Beeson, representing Friends of Dormont Pool RE: Raising money for Dormont Pool and presented a check for \$9,000.00 to the Borough to pay for the new slide at the Dormont Pool.

Fabus commended the Friends of Dormont Pool for all they do. Fabus informed that the Borough is completely in charge of the Dormont Pool and hired Jeff Ellis Management to manage the pool and pool employees. He explained the guards and pool manager duties.

Public Safety/Service: Hodson informed that the planting was completed on July 6 at the Bill Moreland Memorial Garden. During the month of May MRTSA responded to 73 calls for service in Dormont. During the month of June DVFD responded to 25 calls for service. Hodson briefed on the traffic signal push buttons on West Liberty Avenue.

McCartney thanked Representative Miller for all his help. He will be here after the September meeting for a town meeting.

Property, Supplies and Planning: Martino stated that her committee will possibly be conducting a meeting to discuss some park benches. Martino briefed on the budget, Asset Report and some of her concerns.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT REPORT

McCartney briefed on the Stormwater Public Workshop, meetings with the Saw Mill Run Watershed Association and the attendance of those.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT

Ben Estell introduced himself and briefed on some of his plans for the Borough.

The Borough Council recognized the Interim Manager Rebecca Bradley and commended her for her help with the Borough between Managers.

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 June 1, 2015 Council Business Meeting, D. Motion to approve the Minutes of the June 15, 2015 Council Special Meeting, E. Motion to approve the Warrant list for June 2015, F. Motion to accept the recommendation of the Engineer approving the quote from Insight Pipe in the amount of \$2,800.00 to clear the blockage in the sanitary sewer at the end of Dwight Avenue as per Mr. McVicar's memorandum, G. Motion to accept the recommendation of the Engineer authorizing Payment No. 3 [Final Payment] to East Coast Paving & Sealcoating Inc. for the 2014 Alley Resurfacing Project in the amount of \$5,362.54 as per Mr. McVicar's memorandum [Funds to be drawn from the Capital Improvement Fund], H. Motion accepting the recommendation of the Park

Superintendent to accept the quote from Carusso Heating & Air Conditioning, Inc. to replace one HVAC unit at the Thomas Lloyd Recreation Center at a cost of \$14,570.00 as per Mr. Conroy's memorandum [Funds to be drawn from the Contingency Account], I. Motion accepting the recommendation of the Public Works Superintendent to accept the quote from Carusso Heating and Air Conditioning, Inc. to repair two HVAC units on the Borough Building roof which were damaged June 23, 2015 when a Duquesne Light transformer exploded at a cost of \$4,986.00 per Mr. Schneider's email [insurance claim filed], J. Motion to accept the recommendation of the Public Works Superintendent to contract with Cargill, Inc., for salt for the 2015-2016 winter season at a cost of \$69.29 per ton; further authorizing the submission of a letter of award and the execution of a contract contingent upon the review and approval of the solicitor, K. Motion to accept the recommendation of the Engineer authorizing Pay Estimate #3 to Niando Construction in the amount of \$28,712.32 for the 5th Alley Emergency reconstruction project, addendum #1, L. Motion to accept the recommendation of the Engineer authorizing final Pay Estimate #3, to Insight Pipe in the amount of \$8,040.53 for the sewer lining project [final])
Motion carried 7-0.

ACTION ITEMS

A. Motion by Hodson, second by Lehman to advertise proposed Ordinance #1607, adopting International Fire Code, 2009 Edition.

Public Comment: Mat Davis, Deputy Fire Chief, spoke on the subject.

Council Discussion: Maggio expressed his concerns. Council discussed the fees.

Motion carried 7-0.

B. Motion by Hodson, second by Costanzo to advertise proposed Ordinance #1608, amending Chapter 110, Fire Safety Inspection Program of the Codified Book of Ordinances.

Public Comment: Rushford explained the changes. Bradley explained some of the amendments.

Council Discussion: None.

Motion carried 7-0.

C. Motion by Costanzo, second by Hodson to advertise proposed Ordinance #1609, creating a Stormwater Authority in accordance with the Pennsylvania Municipal Authorities Act of 1945.

Public Comment: None.

Council Discussion: Maggio briefed on why he doesn't agree with this motion.

Roll call: Costanzo, Yes; Fabus, Yes; Hodson, Yes; Lehman, No; Maggio, No; Martino, Yes; McCartney, Yes.

Motion carried 5-2.

D. Motion by Hodson, second by Costanzo to adopt Resolution #10-2015, amending the Fee Schedule for Fire Safety Inspections.

Public Comment: None.

Council Discussion: None.

Roll call: Costanzo, Yes; Fabus, Yes; Hodson, Yes; Lehman, Yes; Maggio, No; Martino, Yes; McCartney, Yes.

Motion carried 6-1.

E. Motion by Hodson, second by Costanzo authorizing the executing of an agreement with Code.sys Code Consultants for the provision of Fire Inspection Services at an hourly rate of \$45.00.

Public Comment: Bradley explained the hourly rate.

Kim Kunkle, 2816 Crosby Avenue RE: Checklist for businesses prior to the inspection.

Council Discussion: Discussed the fees.

Motion carried 7-0.

F. Motion by Fabus, second by Hodson to adopt Resolution #11-2015, authorizing Dormont to become a Live Well Allegheny Community.

Public Comment: None.

Council Discussion: Fabus explained the program. Maggio asks about promoting the smoke free buildings and perimeters.

Motion carried 7-0.

G. Motion by Martino, second by Hodson to accept the recommendation of the Manager to purchase software from Geotech in the amount of \$2,040.00 for the creation of a Sidewalk and curb inspection database and to purchase a Microsoft Surface Pro 3 with rugged case from CDW-G at a cost of \$1,028.42.

Public Comment: None.

Council Discussion: McCartney explained the program.

Motion carried 7-0.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Request from Cheryl Herrington of the Dormont Historical Society to hold a Family Fun Night at the pool on Wednesday, August 19th from 5:00 PM until 8:00 PM and reducing the cost of the pool pass to \$2.50.

Motion by Costanzo, second by Hodson to approve a Family Fun Night at the pool on Wednesday, August 19th from 5:00 PM until 8:00 PM and reducing the cost of the pool pass to \$2.50 for anyone.

Public Comment: None.

Council Discussion: None.

Motion carried 7-0.

- B. Discussion of soliciting individuals to purchase benches in memoriam for placement in Dormont Park.

Hodson briefed on the benches that need replaced and the cost to replace them with the engraving. Hodson informed that it would be available for all residents and businesses to purchase either for advertising or for remembrance of a loved one.

Council discussed their concerns about having businesses advertise on benches. Council would rather just offer it to residents for loved ones.

- C. Update on progress on Conservatorship Properties.

Rushford informed that there is a buyer for the property at 1447 Dormont Avenue and that the Borough will be reimbursed in full for all its cost that have been put forth. Rushford briefed on the process with having approval done through the Court of Common Pleas.

Rushford briefed on the process with the Conservatorship Property on Broadway Avenue.

- D. Recommendation from the Traffic and Parking Planning Commission to hire a traffic engineer to determine next steps for traffic calming in the 2900 block of Belrose.

George Pitcher, Chairmen of the Traffic and Parking Planning Commission RE: Briefing on the recommendation to hire a traffic engineer to determine the next steps for the traffic calming in the 2900 block of Belrose Avenue.

E. Recommendation from the Traffic and Parking Planning Commission to consider approving the first two recommendations from the Carnegie Mellon University Traffic Study, as follows:

- Update one way and two way street designations: Conduct a study to determine which two-way streets with parking on one side would meet the width requirements for designating as one-way streets with parking on both sides.

Davis and Fire Chief Jeff Arnold RE: Briefed on what would happen during a fire if there were parking on both sides of the street.

Kelly, Lives by the Dormont T Junction Stop RE: Enforcing the limit of parking permits per household.

- Expand and amend residential permit areas: Enforce residential parking permits from 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM Monday through Friday if an only if additional hours can be adequately enforced.

Bob Hutchison, 1332 Illinois Avenue RE: Signs about permit parking on Illinois Avenue.

Discussion between residents, Council, the Mayor and the Police Chief about speeders on Arkansas and throughout the Borough.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Matt Hamilton, 3246 Waltham Avenue RE: Stormwater fee.

Mr. Berman RE: Increasing parking permit time. Sidewalk issues, stormwater drain sealed off and T-Station repairs.

Kathy Hartman RE: Bingo to raise money for the DVFD.

Michele Ross, 3251 Beacon Hill Avenue RE: \$700,000 windfall and how much is rent revenue.

John Maggio RE: Liability with Dormont Delivers. Businesses being fined for graffiti and illegal signs.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by McCartney, second by Hodson to adjourn.