



BOROUGH OF DORMONT

EXECUTIVE SESSION 6:00 PM

REGULAR MEETING OF THE DORMONT BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2014 7:00PM IN THE DORMONT MUNICIPAL CENTER COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Council President Bill 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: Jeffrey Naftal, Manager
John Rushford, Borough Solicitor
Mayor Phil Ross

REGISTERED COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR

Mayor Ross informed that the Police Department responded to 298 calls for service for the month of August. Officer Zawischa is returning back to work.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance and Legal: Nothing at this time.

Community Affairs/Recreation: Fabus briefed on the Main Street Taste of Dormont, Saturday, September 13th; Hollywood Theater Breakfast at Tiffany's; Farmers Market every Monday 4 to pm; Doggie Dip was well attended; and the FODP Market District South Hills fundraiser on Saturday, September 6th. October has the Street Fair on the 11th; the Halloween Pet Parade on the 26th; the Halloween Party on the 31st and the Dormont Dash is Sunday, October 19th at 830 am.

Public Safety/Service: Hodson informed that Fire Department responded to 31 Fire Calls in July and MRTSA responded to 71 calls for service during the month of August. Hodson briefed on the meetings she attended in August. Hodson would like to schedule Public Safety/Service Committee meeting for September to discuss the changes to the Emergency Management Manual, Monday, September 29th at 7pm.

Property, Supplies and Planning: Please support the Library.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT REPORT

McCartney briefed on the Executive Session discussion which concerns the building inspector, Pat Kelly being out for a few months and the two Conservatorship properties are on the agenda and one is problematic.

BOROUGH MANAGER REPORT

Naftal informed that he was approached last year from a company called Communities of Distinction to participate in a 5 minute promotional video of Dormont at a cost of \$19,800.00. Naftal stated that Council was not interested last year and asked if Council would now like to participate. *Council would not like to move forward with the promotional video.*

Naftal informed Council that our lighting ceremony this year will not be called "Light up Night" or the Borough will have to pay \$100.00.

Naftal briefed on the Borough's Minimum Municipal Obligation in regards to the Pension Plan.

Naftal stated that next year he would like to keep the Dormont Pool open a week past Labor Day.

Next month on the Warrant List there will be a payment to KOSD for \$44,770.96; the reason is that the tax collector deposited funds for the school district into the borough's bank account and they must be sent to KO.

McNeilly Road paving should be this month.

Naftal informed that the Treasurer has resigned his position and if anyone is interested, please apply.

September 19th thru the 21st the Potomac Avenue Rail Crossing will be closed for construction.

Naftal gave an update on the West Liberty Avenue Redevelopment.

The alley paving work should begin next week; the full list is on the website.

The crosswalk work should also begin next week.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Hodson, second by Costanzo to accept Consent Agenda Items A, B, C, D, E, F, G (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 August 4, 2014 Council Business Meeting, D. Motion to approve the Warrant List for August, 2014, E. Motion to authorize Payment #3 and Final for Designs in Metal for \$2,425 for work on the metal railing at the Borough Building, F. Motion to authorize Payment #1 for Insight Pipe Contracting, L.P. for \$38,539.01 for the 2014 Sanitary Sewer Preventative Maintenance program, G. Motion to authorize the Borough Manager to execute agreements and pay the three bands playing at Street Fair for a total cost of \$3,300).

Motion carried 6-1.

ACTION ITEMS

A. Motion by Hodson to authorize expenditures for the conservatorship properties located at 1447 Dormont Avenue and 2708 Broadway Avenue as outlined in the staff report.

Motion by Hodson, second by Costanzo to amend the above Motion to read to authorize expenditures for the conservatorship property located at 1447 Dormont Avenue as outlined in the staff report.

Public Comment: None.

Council Discussion: None.

Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by McCartney, second by Hodson to authorize expenditures for the conservatorship property located at 1447 Dormont Avenue as outlined in the staff report.

Public Comment: None.

Council Discussion: None.

Motion carried 7-0.

B. Motion by Hodson, second by Costanzo to approve Resolution No. 17-2014 authorizing an awning to overhang the sidewalk at 3285 West Liberty Avenue as outlined in the staff report.

Public Comment: None.

Council Discussion: None.

Motion carried 7-0.

C. Motion by Hodson, second by Fabus to authorize the Borough Manager to reimburse Ms. Megan Kowalski, the owner of 1460 Edgehill Avenue, \$11,000 for repairs to the sanitary sewer lateral as outlined in the staff report.

Public Comment: None.

Council Discussion: None.

Motion carried 7-0.

D. Motion by Martino, second by Hodson to authorize the Council President to execute an agreement with Cargill for salt purchases during the 2014/2015 winter season at a cost of \$79.29 per ton as outlined in the staff report.

Public Comment: How many ton do we use a year?

Council Discussion: Discussed the increase in cost from the previous year and the usage.

Motion carried 7-0.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Recommendation from Ad Hoc Stormwater Advisory Committee: McCartney briefed on Stormwater issues and the formation of the committee. McCartney introduced the members of the committee: Frank Stumpo, Belrose Avenue, Chairperson, Leah Petrelli, Voelkel Avenue, Ernie Ceraso, Latonia Avenue, Ann Stock, Broadway Avenue, Terry Williams, New Haven Avenue, Trevor Evans, McNeilly Road, Valorie Sherman, Illinois Avenue. Stumpo had a video presentation and briefed on the Stormwater Committee's recommendations. John Rushford briefed on the Stormwater Fees.

Budget Calendar: Budget Meetings will all be held at 6:00 pm on the following dates: Expenditures will be Monday, October 13th; Capital Improvements will be on Wednesday, October 22nd; and Revenues will be on Monday November 10th.

Drew Lehman requested that the Borough Council sponsor a night for the KO Band at the Recreation Center on October 24th, 2014. *Council agreed.*

Lehman commended Main Street for the hanging baskets on Potomac Avenue in partnership with the PA Conservancy.

The Dormont Public Library House and Garden Tour is on October 5th, 11 am to 4 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Kathy Hartman, 3120 Wainbell Avenue RE: Utility repairs and business recycling.

Lee Feldman, 3100 Gaylord Avenue RE: Alcohol Permit for a Block Party.

Monique Fontaine, 1454 Alabama Avenue RE: Covering cars on the street.

Lehman stated that the Hollywood Theatre met their fundraising goal.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT