

Borough Council Regular Meeting

Minutes – August 29, 2022

Call to Order – Mr. Daly called the meeting to order at 5:30pm and Mrs. Dekar offered the meeting prayer and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call – The following members of the Borough Council were present; Jessie Dekar, Gabriel Felt, Jessica Meyer, Irene Slocum, James Daly, and Patrick Gillette. Also present; Henry Farley, Mayor; Elizabeth Fice, Borough Treasurer; Gil Crossett, Fire Chief; Christopher Kaiden, Code Enforcement Director; Blane Lathrop, DPW Foreman, Daniel Reynolds, Police Chief; and David Jarrett, Borough Manager.

Citizens to be Heard – Richard Hunsinger, 111 South Keystone Avenue addressed the Borough Council regarding a parking situation on Woodworth Street. Mr. Hunsinger explained that Woodworth Street is posted as Residential Parking during the week until 5:00pm and that other residents on South Keystone Avenue have been parking on Woodworth Street evenings after 5:00pm and all day on Saturday and Sunday making it difficult for him to park near his home. Mr. Hunsinger asked the Council what they were going to help him with his parking situation, and Mr. Gillette explained that the other vehicles are allowed to park on the street when the Residential Parking regulations are not in effect and suggested to Mr. Hunsinger that he speak with his neighbors. Mr. Hunsinger also addressed the Borough Council with his concerns with the amount of noise that comes from the Dunkin Donuts business across from his home. Mr. Hunsinger explained that the garbage truck comes as early as 3:00am and the delivery truck also comes early and makes noise. Mr. Gillette suggested to Mr. Hunsinger that he talk with the management of Dunkin Donuts about the noise from the property.

Approval of Minutes – A motion was made by Mrs. Dekar and seconded by Miss Meyer to approve the minutes of the Borough Council's regular meeting on July 27, 2022 and workshop meeting on August 15, 2022. The minutes of both meetings were approved as presented without objection and filed for the record.

Approval of Bills List – A motion was made by Mrs. Slocum and seconded by Mr. Felt to approve the bills list. Under the question: There were none. Roll Call: Mrs. Dekar, Mr. Felt, Miss Meyer, Mrs. Slocum, Mr. Daly, and Mr. Gillette; YES.

Correspondence Report – There were no questions or comments.

Finance Report – There were no questions or comments.

Elected and Appointed Officials Questions & Comments – Mr. Gillette announced that the Borough's 2023 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) has been prepared by the Borough Treasurer and reviewed and approved by Girard Pension Services. The MMO will be included in the 2023 budget. Mr. Daly stated that the Planning Commission a member short and that he would like to find a new member. A motion was made by Mr. Daly and seconded by Mrs. Dekar to seek letters of interest for the vacant Planning Commission position. There were no objections.

Consent Agenda - Mr. Gillette explained the items listed on the Consent Agenda are Items of business and matters that are considered to be routine and non-controversial and will be enacted by one motion and one roll call vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If

discussion is desired by a Council Member, that item is to be identified and removed from the Consent Agenda, and will be considered separately at the appropriate place on the Agenda

- a. Approve Advertisement of Amendment to Ordinance 913 – LERTA Ordinance
- b. Approval of Proposal from JD Ward for Fire Truck Room Floor Repair - \$9,775.00
- c. Approval of Proposal from JD Ward for the Yanuzzi Bump Out - \$20,220.00
- d. Approval of Park Use Request – BCRAC Lantern Release on September 10, 2022
- e. Approval of Park Use Request - IRFCU Dog Walk on October 22, 2022
- f. Approval of Park Use Request – SBA Farmers Market – May thru October 2023
- g. Approval of Park Use Request - Guthrie F3 Festival – August 5, 2023
- h. Approval of Sayre High School Girls Basketball Recycling Event Fundraiser
- i. Approval of Plants & Things Mural Project
- j. Approval of Advertisement for Bids – Downtown Streetscape Project
- k. Approve the hiring of Gary Winslow – Per Diem Aerial Truck Driver

A motion was made by Miss Meyer and seconded by Mrs. Dekar to approve the items listed on the Consent Agenda. Under the question: There were none. Roll Call: Mrs. Dekar, Mr. Felt, Miss Meyer, Mrs. Slocum, Mr. Daly, and Mr. Gillette; YES.

Vote to approve the four (4) year Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Borough and the Police Department effective January 1, 2023. A motion was made by Miss Meyer and seconded by Mrs. Slocum to approve the four (4) year Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Borough and the Police Department effective January 1, 2023. Under the question: Mrs. Dekar asked for a copy of the Progressive Discipline Policy. Roll Call: Mrs. Dekar, Mr. Felt, Miss Meyer, Mrs. Slocum, Mr. Daly, and Mr. Gillette; YES.

Vote to extend an offer of employment to Spencer Short for the position of full-time Operator Class B Probationary employee effective September 1, 2022. A motion was made by Mr. Felt and seconded by Mrs. Dekar to extend an offer of employment to Spencer Short for the position of full-time Operator Class B Probationary employee effective September 1, 2022. Under the question: There were none. Roll Call: Mrs. Dekar, Mr. Felt, Miss Meyer, Mrs. Slocum, Mr. Daly, and Mr. Gillette; YES.

Adjourn – A motion was made by Mrs. Dekar and seconded by Miss Meyer to adjourn the meeting at 5:55pm. There were no objections.