

HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
December 19, 2018

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:

- (X) John H. Weierman, President
- (X) Kenneth V. Farrall
- (X) Jason Ferguson
- (X) John Kroesser
- (X) Lawrence G. Stevens

- () Mayor, Robert L. Kaler III

The record shows that five members of Council were present at roll call, as well as, Solicitor Catherine M. Harper; Timoney Knox LLP, Borough Manager Michael J. DeFinis and Assistant Manager Jaime E. Snyder.

1. APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA:

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Farrall to Approve the Regular Meeting Agenda of December 19, 2018 with additions. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kroesser and unanimously approved with a vote of 5-0.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Motion to Approve the Minutes of the November 7th Workshop & November 21st Regular Meetings

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Farrall to Approve the Minutes of the November 7th Workshop & November 21st Regular Meetings. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kroesser and unanimously approved with a vote of 5-0.

3. PUBLIC INPUT: President Weierman asked if there was any Public Input.
No Public Input.
Media Not Present.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Manager DeFinis made the following announcements:

- Next month's Council Meetings January 2nd Workshop & January 16th Regular Meeting and the February Workshop Meeting is scheduled for January 30th all @ 7:30PM at the HVFC
- HERC is scheduled to meet January 23rd @ 8:00AM at the HVFC
- The Planning Commission is scheduled to meet January 28th @ 7:00PM at the HVFC

5. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Lauman Property – Plan of Simple Conveyance

Manager DeFinis stated that the Maple Avenue Developer is interested in purchasing the entire Lauman Property and would then use that driveway, a shared driveway, to access the development behind Maple Avenue which will need to be worked out with the owner. Manager DeFinis added that this would eliminate the need to use "East Broad Street" as the development entrance.

A discussion ensued amongst Council about the future development and Manager DeFinis stated he would speak with the developer and have updates on progress at the next meeting. Manager DeFinis added that he will also be speaking to the developer about his Escrow account.

B. Edinburgh Square / Caracausa Building & Development Inc.

Manager DeFinis updated Council that Mr. Caracausa stated all he is requesting is final approval and he will hold off building till all sewer connections are granted.

Councilmember Farrall stated that Council meets every two weeks and once we have the sewer capacity the request will be placed on the Agenda and discussed at that time for approval.

A discussion ensued amongst Council about the preliminary approval that was granted for the development and a final for the two lots.

It was discussed to contact the developer with a letter and state where Council stands and that a time extension or withdraw is required or a denial will be issued.

C. Clerk of the Works Report

Manager DeFinis updated Council on the progress of the Municipal Complex and highlighted the storm sewer work.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Towamencin Avenue Phase II Payment Request No. 1

Manager DeFinis informed Council that this payment request is for \$160,344.40 to Blooming Glen Contractors which included the change order reduction. Manager DeFinis added that a sizeable amount of this money will be coming from Liquid Fuels.

B. East School Street Sanitary Sewer Project Payment Request No. 1

Manager DeFinis stated that this is a partial payment request is for \$143,416.5 to Anrich Inc.

C. Recycling Check

Manager DeFinis stated that we received a recycling check for over \$9,000.00

D. Snyder Email Correspondence

Manager DeFinis informed Council of the email correspondence regarding the piece of property that the Snyder's would like to turn into a parking lot that they would maintain.

A discussion ensued amongst Council about the piece of property and the access to the property.

E. PMEA Update

Manager DeFinis highlighted the PMEA Update and noted that 30 of the 35 municipalities have adopted the Resolution for the bylaws and fee schedule and the others will be looking at this after the first of the year. Manager DeFinis stated that he will keep Council to date on this topic.

F. Decorating Contest

Manager DeFinis announced the 2018 Decorating contest winners.

1. Halpine 65 Lambert Street \$225.00
2. Goldoni 387 Towamencin Avenue \$175.00
3. Kriebel 486 W. Vine Street \$100.00

7. ACTION ITEMS:

A. Motion to Consider Resolution 2018-38 Appropriating Specific Funds for 2019

Motion:

A motion was made by Councilmember Farrall to Approve Resolution 2018-38 Appropriating

Specific Funds for 2019. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kroesser.

President Weierman asked if there were any comments or questions. There were no comments or questions.

The motion was approved unanimously with a vote of 5-0.

B. Motion to Consider Resolution 2018-39 Authorizing the 2019 Employee Compensation

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Stevens to Approve Resolution 2018-39 Authorizing the 2019 Employee Compensation. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kroesser.

President Weierman asked if there were any comments or questions. There were no comments or questions.

The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0-1. Councilmember Farrall abstained from the vote.

C. Motion to Consider Towamencin Avenue Phase II Payment Request No. 1 to Blooming Glen Contractors Inc. in the amount of \$160,344.40

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Farrall to Approve Towamencin Avenue Phase II Payment Request No. 1 to Blooming Glen Contractors Inc. in the amount of \$160,344.40. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kroesser.

President Weierman asked if there were any comments or questions. There were no comments or questions.

The motion was approved unanimously with a vote of 5-0.

D. Motion to Consider the East School Street Sanitary Sewer Project Payment Request No. 1 to Anrich Inc. in the amount of \$143,416.52.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Farrall to Approve the East School Street Sanitary Sewer Project Payment Request No. 1 to Anrich Inc. in the amount of \$143,416.52. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kroesser.

President Weierman asked if there were any comments or questions. There were no comments or questions.

The motion was approved unanimously with a vote of 5-0.

E. Motion to Consider Payment Request No. 8 for the Municipal Complex to E.R. Stuebner in the Amount of \$293,545.15

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Farrall to Approve Payment Request No. 8 for the Municipal Complex to E.R. Stuebner in the Amount of \$293,545.15. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kroesser.

President Weierman asked if there were any comments or questions. There were no comments or questions.

The motion was approved unanimously with a vote of 5-0.

F. Motion to Consider Resolution 2018-40 for the Lauman Property Plan of Simple Conveyance.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Farrall to TABLE Resolution 2018-40 for the Lauman Property Plan of Simple Conveyance. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kroesser.

8. MOTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF THE BILLS:

President Weierman and Manager DeFinis reviewed and answered questions regarding the bill list.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Farrall to approve payment of the bills. The motion was seconded Councilmember Stevens.

President Weierman asked if there were any comments or questions. There were no comments or questions.

The motion was approved unanimously with a vote of 5-0.

9. MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Kroesser to adjourn the Regular Meeting of December 19, 2018. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Farrall and unanimously approved with a vote of 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:32PM.

Executive Session Litigation and Personnel

Respectfully Submitted,
Jaime E. Snyder
Assistant Manager