

Borough of Jefferson Hills
Regular Meeting of Council
March 12, 2018

The regular meeting of Council was called to order by President King at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Center, 925 Old Clairton Road. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Council Members Ielase, Khalil, Montgomery, Reynolds, Sockman, Vice President Weber and President King answered to roll call. Borough Manager Levander, Finance Officer Bennett, Solicitor Shimko, Chief Roach, Consulting Engineer Minsterman and Public Works Director Volpe were also present. Mayor Cmar arrived at 7:04 p.m.

CITIZENS/TAXPAYERS COMMENTS:

Bob Gulla of 1301 Collins Avenue asked why the new police cars were being purchased at Day Ford rather than Sturman & Larkin Ford. Chief Roach replied the police cars are required to be bid out and the SHACOG Purchasing Alliance is typically used for this process. Five (5) dealers submitted bids, but a bid was not received from Sturman & Larkin Ford.

Keith Reynolds of 1313 Collins Avenue thanked Council and Chief Roach, on behalf of the residents, for helping with the motorcycle problem in Floreffe. Chief Roach responded he was welcome, but he knows it is an ongoing issue. Mr. Reynolds stated there has not been one motorcycle since. Mr. Reynolds stated the soil at a Beedle Park field is spongy and will have to be rolled. Mr. Reynolds stated Community College will be using the field and, in return, will provide training for the coaches, stock the field with clay for the mound and furnish the field with the needed supplies.

MINUTES:

Mr. Sockman moved the minutes of the agenda meeting February 7, 2018 be approved, seconded by Mrs. Ielase and carried unanimously.

Vice President Weber moved the minutes of regular meeting February 12, 2018 be approved, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

MONTHLY BILLS:

Mr. Sockman moved the February bills be approved, seconded by Mr. Montgomery and carried unanimously.

MONTHLY PAYROLLS:

Mrs. Ielase moved the payrolls for the month of February in the amount of \$263,160.51 be approved, seconded by Vice President Weber and carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEMS:

Mr. Sockman moved to adopt Resolution No. 6-2018 granting preliminary approval to the Subdivision Plan known as PS-2-2017, Hunters Preserve Plan of Lots, seconded by Mr. Montgomery and carried unanimously.

Mr. Montgomery moved to adopt Resolution No. 7-2018 authorizing the Borough of Jefferson Hills to bypass the otherwise required public advertising, bidding and award process in the Borough Code, 8 Pa.C.S. § 1402, and accept proposals for an emergency project for Lewis Run stream remediation to protect Lewis Run Road where damages necessitate immediate action to correct a dangerous condition that creates a threat to public health, welfare and/or safety, seconded by Mr. Sockman and carried unanimously.

Mr. Montgomery moved to hire Mike Glister to the position of Borough Engineer, seconded by Mr. Sockman and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Ielase moved to accept the proposal of Day Ford, Inc. in the amount of \$31,355.00 to purchase one (1) 2018 Ford Interceptor Utility Police Vehicle under the SHACOG Purchasing Alliance Program, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

Mr. Sockman moved to accept the proposal of Day Ford, Inc. in the amount of \$34,565.00 to purchase one (1) 2018 Ford Interceptor Utility Police Vehicle under the SHACOG Purchasing Alliance Program, seconded by Mr. Montgomery and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Ielase moved to authorize the sale of a used public works vehicle, a 1999 F-250 Ford Pick-up Truck, at the Perryopolis Auto Auction, seconded by Mrs. Reynolds and carried unanimously.

Mr. Khalil moved to authorize the sale of a used public works vehicle, a 2011 Ford Expedition, at the Perryopolis Auto Auction, seconded by Vice President Weber and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Ielase moved to accept the proposal of Bobcat Company in the amount of \$54,712.06 to purchase one (1) T630 T4 Bobcat Compact Track Loader under the PA COSTARS Cooperative Purchasing Program Contract #4400011419, seconded by Mr. Sockman and carried unanimously.

Mr. Khalil moved to approve Application for Payment No. 1 from Global Heavy Corporation in the amount of \$86,850.00 for work completed on the Jefferson Hills/West Elizabeth Sewershed ACT 537 Plan Capital Improvements Project Contract A, seconded by Vice President Weber and carried unanimously.

Mr. Khalil moved to approve Application for Payment No. 4 from Swede Construction Corporation in the amount of \$427.50 for the work completed on the Beedle Park Baseball Field Improvements Phase 1B Project, seconded by Mr. Sockman and carried unanimously.

Vice President Weber moved to approve Change Order No. 1 from C. Crump, Inc. in the amount of \$6,000.00 for additional fill material that was placed in the stream for the Peters Creek Stream Restoration Phase V Project, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Ielase moved to approve Application for Payment No. 1 from C. Crump, Inc. in the amount of \$186,285.50 for the work completed on the Peters Creek Stream Restoration Phase V Project, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

Mr. Sockman moved to approve Work Authorization dated February 27, 2018 from Gateway Engineers, Inc. for the preparation and submission of The Watershed Restoration and Protection Program grant for Lewis Run in the amount not to exceed \$2,500.00, seconded by Mr. Montgomery and carried unanimously.

Mr. Khalil moved to approve Work Authorization dated February 22, 2018 from Gateway Engineers, Inc. for the Pollution Reduction Plan tasks in the amount not to exceed \$10,000.00, seconded by Mrs. Reynolds and carried unanimously.

Mr. Montgomery moved to approve Work Authorization dated March 1, 2018 from Gateway Engineers, Inc. for the construction, administration and inspection of the CD Year 43 ADA Wheelchair Lift and Doors Project at the Gill Hall Park Community Center in the amount not to exceed \$3,800.00, seconded by Mrs. Ielase and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Reynolds moved to appoint Keith Reynolds to the Recreation Board for a term ending December 31, 2021, no second was received and motion failed. Vice President Weber moved to reappoint Robert Pugh and reappoint Thomas Bucy to the Recreation Board for a term ending December 31, 2021, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Reynolds moved to appoint Keith Reynolds to the Recreation Board for a term ending December 31, 2018, no second was received and motion failed. Vice President Weber moved to appoint Michelle Zacur to the Recreation Board for a term ending December 31, 2018, seconded by Mr. Khalil. A roll call vote was taken. Council members Ielase, Khalil, Montgomery, Sockman, Vice President Weber and President King voted yes. Mrs. Reynolds voted no. Motion carried 6-1.

Mr. Khalil moved to appoint Lisa Albrecht to the Library Board of Directors for a term ending December 31, 2020, seconded by Vice President Weber and carried unanimously.

Mr. Montgomery moved to approve the Public Works Department Collective Bargaining Agreement with Laborer's District Council of Western Pennsylvania Local Union 1058, seconded by Mr. Sockman. Vice President Weber stated he will be voting no based solely on the lack of healthcare concessions from the Union. A roll call vote was taken. Council members Ielase, Khalil, Montgomery, Reynolds, Sockman and President King voted yes. Vice President Weber voted no. Motion carried 6-1.

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Mr. Minsterman noted there is no current Work Authorization from Gateway Engineers regarding the Lewis Run project and, because Council voted on the Resolution to begin moving ahead with that emergency work, he asked if Council wanted Gateway Engineers to keep working

on the project. Mr. Minsterman will be providing a Work Authorization at the April meeting. Council responded in the affirmative.

FINANCE OFFICER/TREASURER:

Nothing to report.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Nothing to report.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief Roach stated at the meeting on Friday with Jefferson Regional Medical Center and Allegheny Health Network he was given a check to fund the traffic camera located at Coal Valley Road and Route 51 and has passed the check on to Mr. Bennett. A meeting with the contractor is scheduled for Wednesday.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Ms. Levander stated she has spoken to tyco SimplexGrinnell about the fire sensors. The sensors are tested annually and in the last two (2) years none have needed replaced or fixed. If a sensor were to go bad, only that individual sensor would need replaced and the replacement cost would be under one hundred dollars. Ms. Levander asked Council if it were okay to move forward with the replacement of the panel. Council approved moving forward.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Cmar stated one of the privileges she has as Mayor is to participate in important community events. She was honored to be asked to present at Jefferson Regional Medical Center's emergency room expansion and thanked Louise Urban for the invitation. Mayor Cmar stated she passed along Council's congratulations. President King thanked Mayor Cmar for attending.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Mr. Montgomery welcomed Mr. Glister to the Borough staff and stated he looked forward to working with him.

Mr. Sockman congratulated Mr. Glister and stated it was nice to have him aboard.

Mr. Sockman stated he had an opportunity to visit Beedle Park. The weather has been counterproductive to Mr. Volpe being able to remove the graffiti, but he will get it removed and then have someone check on it periodically. The field still needs a lot of work and the road will be improved, but it will be in good shape once the season starts.

Mrs. Ielase welcomed Mr. Glister and congratulated him.

Vice President Weber welcomed Mr. Glistner and stated it was good to have him on board.

Vice President Weber stated he had heard back from School District Superintendent, Dr. Ghilani, and we will move forward to hear his thoughts and concerns. Dr. Ghilani suggested two (2) members of the School Board with two (2) members of Council for the meeting. Vice President Weber and Mr. Khalil will attend the meeting and keep Council apprised of the discussions with the School District.

Vice President Weber asked if everyone had an opportunity to review the 2018 Paving Program outline and stated if there were any questions that now is the time to ask. Vice President Weber asked Mr. Minsterman if this outline is ready to go out next month for bid. Mr. Minsterman replied, working with Mr. Glistner, we will establish that, but the outline is ready to go. Vice President Weber stated past practice has been, if we get the bids out early, they are usually more favorable. It would be in the Borough's best interest to continue to do that this year. Vice President Weber stated, if there is anything anyone would like the Engineers to consider, contact them as soon as possible.

Vice President Weber expressed he would like to give credit to the administration and Council for the very positive Moody's report.

Vice President Weber stated he spoke to some members of Council regarding individually purchasing shirts. These shirts would worn for conferences, events and meetings. Vice President Weber asked anyone who is interested to please see him about ordering shirts.

Mr. Khalil welcomed Mr. Glistner and stated he looked forward to working with him.

Mr. Khalil noted Union Township has a meeting on March 14. The hope is they will vote up for the Clairton Municipal Authority Act 537 Plan amendment, which will release the tap ban and allow the construction of homes in the Borough to restart.

Mrs. Reynolds welcomed Mr. Glistner.

Mr. King welcomed Mr. Glistner and stated he will be a nice addition to the group. Mr. King also congratulated and welcomed the Recreation Board members

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Khalil moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 p.m., seconded by Vice President Weber and carried unanimously.

Executive Session – Personnel only

Tricia Levander
Borough Manager/Secretary