

Borough of Jefferson Hills
Regular Meeting of Council
January 8, 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, Mayor Cmar and 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.

CITIZENS/TAXPAYERS COMMENTS:

Clint Baldwin and Sean Malley of 1220 Gill Hall Road stated in April 2016 they purchased foreclosed property located at 1220 Gill Hall Road adjacent to Gill Hall VFC and there may be a property line dispute with Gill Hall VFC. Mr. Baldwin stated Gill Hall VFC claims that a small portion of the driveway at 1220 Gill Hall Road is on Gill Hall VFC's property. Mr. Shimko stated this appears to be a private property issue as the Borough and Gill Hall VFC are separate entities. President King commented to please contact the Borough Manager if they are in need of any assistance with any Borough related issues.

MINUTES:

Mrs. Ielase moved the minutes of the agenda meeting December 6, 2017 be approved, seconded by Mr. Montgomery and carried unanimously.

Mr. Sockman moved the minutes of regular meeting December 11, 2017 be approved, seconded by Mr. Montgomery and carried unanimously.

MONTHLY BILLS:

Mr. Khalil moved the December bills be approved, seconded by Vice President Weber and carried unanimously.

MONTHLY PAYROLLS:

Mr. Khalil moved the payrolls for the month of December in the amount of \$337,903.64 be approved, seconded by Mrs. Ielase and carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEMS:

Vice President Weber moved to enact Ordinance No. 868 establishing a Volunteer Service Credit Program; enacting an Earned Income Tax Credit for Volunteer Members of Volunteer Fire Companies and Nonprofit Emergency Medical Service Agency; and establishing associated administrative procedures and appeals, seconded by Mr. Sockman and carried unanimously.

Mr. Khalil moved to adopt Resolution No. 4-2018 appointing a representative and an alternate representative to the SHACOG Franchising Authority Board, seconded by Vice President Weber and carried unanimously.

Mr. Sockman moved to approve Application for Payment No. 3 to Roach Brothers in the amount of \$23,278.75 for the Wall Refinishing Project, seconded by Mr. Montgomery and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Ielase moved to approve Application for Payment No. 2 from Robinson Pipe Cleaning Company, Inc. in the amount of \$18,811.12 for the SHACOG O&M CCTV Inspections and Cleaning Contract, Year 7, subject to the receipt of an invoice from SHACOG, seconded by Mr. Sockman and carried unanimously.

Mr. Khalil moved to approve Application for Payment No. 2 and Final to A. Folino Construction, Inc. for the 2017 Paving Program in the amount of \$33,302.02, seconded by Vice President Weber and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Ielase moved to approve Application for Payment No. 1 to Ward Building & Highway Specialties, Inc. for the Waterman Road Guiderail project in the amount of \$35,660.63, seconded by Mr. Sockman and carried unanimously.

Mr. Khalil moved approve Work Authorization dated December 22, 2017 from Gateway Engineers, Inc. for the 2018 O&M CCTV inspections work in the amount of \$24,000.00, seconded by Vice President Weber and carried unanimously.

Mr. Khalil moved to approve Work Authorization dated December 22, 2017 from Gateway Engineers, Inc. for the 2018 O&M open cut repairs & lining repairs in the amount of \$50,000.00, seconded by Mrs. Ielase and carried unanimously.

Mr. Khalil moved to approve Work Authorization dated December 12, 2017 from Gateway Engineers, Inc. for the ongoing construction, inspection and administration for Peters Creek Stream Restoration Phase V in the amount of \$10,000.00, seconded by Mrs. Ielase and carried unanimously.

Mr. Montgomery moved to approve Work Authorization dated December 22, 2017 from Gateway Engineers, Inc. for general planning assistance in 2018 in the amount of \$20,000.00, seconded by Mr. Sockman and carried unanimously.

Mr. Montgomery moved to approve Work Authorization dated December 12, 2017 from Gateway Engineers, Inc. for permitting for the Lewis Run Stream Stabilization in the amount of \$7,500.00, seconded by Mrs. Ielase and carried unanimously.

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Nothing to report.

FINANCE OFFICER/TREASURER:

Nothing to report.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Nothing to report.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT:

Nothing to report.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Nothing to report.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Nothing to report.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Vice President Weber asked for confirmation that the Agreement with Jefferson Regional Medical Center has been signed. Ms. Levander confirmed that it was signed, received and filed.

Vice President Weber stated Council had received notice that the probationary period for Officer Lucas is about to conclude in February and asked if it was past practice to place this on the Agenda and/or bring the officer in to the Council Meeting when he is made full time and released from probation. Chief Roach replied that it was not.

Vice President Weber stated January 9 is Law Enforcement Appreciation Day. Vice President Weber thanked all the officers for the fine work they are doing in our community. Chief Roach said that he would pass Vice President Weber's comments along to the officers.

Vice President Weber stated the Beedle Park grant was much lower than expected and amounted to only ten percent (10%) of the proposed project. Vice President Weber stated Council mentioned getting the Recreation Board's feedback on how to spend the grant and he feels Council should also look at how to best spend this award, whether it be to build out additional parks, continue along the path at Beedle or to seriously consider a recreation complex. Vice President Weber suggested the following: (1) speaking to the Recreation Board to contact larger local employers to determine if they have interest in the community and will help fund a recreation complex, (2) asking Council to consider establishing a special fund earmarked toward a recreation complex, and (3) reach out to our constituents in our neighboring municipalities and School Board colleagues regarding the recreation complex.

Mr. Khalil asked if the grant had stipulations as to whether the work could be done by Public Works or would it have to be bid. Ms. Levander stated she believed it would have to be bid. Mr. Minsterman noted that each grant is different and it would be worth asking. Ms. Levander said she would ask.

Mr. Khalil asked, since there were a few changes made to the list of representatives for Boards and Commissions, a letter be sent to the Boards and Commissions members letting them know who the Council representatives are so they know who to contact.

Mr. Khalil mentioned Dave Graffam sent a letter of interest to be reappointed to the Library Board and would like to have his reappointment added to the Agenda next month.

Mr. Khalil stated, regarding Vice President Weber’s discussion on a possible recreation complex for the community, the Recreation Board has reached out to the School District and they attended a few meetings in which razing the high school was mentioned. Mr. Khalil stated dialog was opened suggesting the Borough may be able to partner with the School District and examine the area and building as a possible starter for the recreation complex/community center. Mr. Khalil asked the two (2) Recreation Board representatives to reach out to the Board for more information and asked this discussion topic be put on next month’s Agenda.

Mr. Khalil stated he talked to Chief Chalfant, who has been to Floreffe VFC several times, and he reported it has been very productive and Floreffe VFC is making great progress. Mr. Khalil thanked the entire group for all their hard work.

President King provided a few changes to the delegate/representative list for Organizations, Boards and Commissions as follows:

<u>Organization/Board/Commission</u>	<u>Delegate</u>	<u>Alternate Delegate</u>
South Hills Area Council of Governments	David Montgomery	Christopher W. King
PA State Borough Associations	Janice Cmar	Kathleen Reynolds
Allegheny County Borough Associations	Janice Cmar	Kathleen Reynolds
Jefferson Fire Rescue	Tracey Khalil	James A. Weber
West Jefferson School District	Vickie Ielase	Christopher W. King
Eastman Advisory Panel	Kathleen Reynolds	Vickie Ielase
Jefferson Hills Area Ambulance Board of Directors	Tracey Khalil	Francis L. Sockman
Southwest Allegheny County Tax Collection District	Charles W. Bennett	James A. Weber
Economic Development South will be removed		
Planning Commission	Francis L. Sockman	James A. Weber
Environmental Quality Board	David Montgomery	Christopher W. King
Recreation Board	Vickie Ielase	Kathleen Reynolds
Library Board	Kathleen Reynolds	Vickie Ielase
Engineering Committee	James A. Weber	Tracey Khalil
Public Works	Francis L. Sockman	Christopher W. King

President King reiterated a letter will need to be sent to the Boards and Commissions communicating who the Council representatives are.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Sockman moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Reynolds and carried unanimously.

Tricia Levander
Borough Manager