

Borough of Jefferson Hills
Regular Meeting of Council
December 9, 2013

The regular meeting of Council was called to order by Council 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 Barclay, Ielase, Khalil, Montgomery, Reynolds, Weber and King answered to roll call. Solicitor Shimko, Engineer Omer, Chief Roach, Finance Officer/Treasurer Jones, Public Works Director Lovell and Planner/Zoning Officer Cohen were in attendance. Borough Manager Arndt was absent.

CITIZENS/TAXPAYER COMMENTS:

- A. Tim Landers - 4334 Harlin Drive, and Carmen Gioia - 4306 Harlin Drive, requested Council put in writing their thoughts of making Frank Street a restricted street for emergency vehicles only.
- B. George Moresea - 1113 Walton Road - says he's been waiting 120 days for an answer from Council on whether they are going to fix water runoff onto his property. Mr. King replied that the Borough cannot undertake the job because it is on private property and does not involve Borough storm sewers.

MEETING MINUTES:

Mr. Khalil moved the minutes of the special meeting October 24, 2013 be approved, seconded by Mr. Weber and carried unanimously.

Mr. Montgomery moved the minutes of the agenda meeting November 6, 2013 be approved, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

Mr. Khalil moved the minutes of the regular meeting November 12, 2013 be approved, seconded by Mrs. Barclay and carried unanimously.

MONTHLY BILLS:

Mrs. Ielase moved the November bills be approved as follows: General Fund \$305,409.48, Sewer Revenue Acct. \$22,874.09, Escrow Acct. \$527.75, Highway Aid Fund \$13,539.16, Fire Tax \$117.44, Ambulance Tax \$26.12, 2005 GOB Capital Fund \$10,858.19, 2005 GOB Series \$5,820.87, and Prepaid Items \$102,726.01, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

MONTHLY PAYROLLS:

Mr. Weber moved the payrolls for the month of November be approved as follows: General Fund \$265,160.22, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEMS:

Mr. King read Resolution No. 38-2013, "ADOPTING THE BOROUGH BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2014 IN FINAL FORM." Mr. Weber moved to adopt Resolution No. 38-2013, seconded by Mr. Montgomery and carried unanimously

Mr. King read Resolution No. 39-2013, "AMENDING CERTAIN FEES FOR THE YEAR 2014." Mr. Weber moved to adopt Resolution No. 39-2013, seconded by Mrs. Ielase and carried unanimously.

Mr. King read Resolution 40-2013, "FIXING THE SALARIES, COMPENSATION AND WAGES FOR THE YEAR 2014." Mrs. Ielase moved to adopt Resolution 40-2013, seconded by Mr. Montgomery and carried unanimously.

Mr. King read Resolution No. 41-2013, "APPROVING REIMBURSEMENT OF THE GENERAL FUND BY THE GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND SERIES OF 2011 PROJECT FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$838,242.84." Mr. Khalil moved to adopt Resolution No. 41-2013, seconded by Mr. Weber and carried unanimously.

Mr. King read Resolution No. 42-2013, "APPROVING A PENNDOT AGREEMENT OPTION PAYMENT PLAN A FOR ADA ACCESSIBLE CURB CUTS AT INTERSECTIONS OF BOROUGH ROADS ON THE ROUTE 51 (CLAIRTON BOULEVARD) PROJECT AT AN ESTIMATED COST OF \$1,655.72." Mrs. Reynolds moved to adopt Resolution No. 42-2013, seconded by Mrs. Barclay and carried unanimously.

Mr. King read Resolution No. 43-2013, "INCREASING THE GARBAGE AND RUBBISH COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL FEES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2014." Mr. Weber moved to adopt Resolution No. 43-2013, seconded by Mrs. Reynolds and carried unanimously.

Mr. King read Ordinance No. 839, "ESTABLISHING THE BASE REAL ESTATE TAX RATE FOR THE YEAR 2014 AT 4.66 MILLS (GENERAL 4.226 MILLS; FIRE 0.355 MILLS; AND AMBULANCE 0.079 MILLS)." Mr. Weber moved to adopt Ordinance No. 839, seconded by Mr. Montgomery and carried unanimously.

Mr. Khalil moved to appoint Wayne Jones, Acting Borough Manager as the Borough Right-to-Know Officer, seconded by Mrs. Ielase and carried unanimously.

Mr. Khalil moved to award the bid for Peters Creek Stream Restoration Phase III & IV Project to Rosscares, Inc. in the amount of \$164,000.00, seconded by Mrs. Ielase and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Barclay moved to accept the Deduct Change Order from General Industries in the amount of \$23,900.00 for the Public Works Complex and Salt Storage Facility, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Ielase moved to approve Payment Application No. 4 to General Industries in the amount of \$338,747.81 for the Public Works Complex and Salt Storage Facility, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Ielase moved to approve Payment No. 2 to Vrabel Plumbing in the amount of \$23,400.00 for the Public Works Complex and Salt Storage Facility, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

Mr. Weber moved to approve Council reorganization, agenda and regular meeting dates for the year 2014, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

Mr. Montgomery moved to approve the requested changes by West Jefferson Hills School District to the Agreement previously passed to retain the services of Law Enforcement Personnel between the Borough of Jefferson Hills and West Jefferson Hills School District, seconded by Mr. Weber and carried unanimously.

Mr. Khalil moved to approve an Agreement between the Borough of Jefferson Hills and SimplexGrinnell LP in the amount of \$7,275.59 for fire alarm testing and inspections including parts and labor for the Municipal Center from January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014, seconded by Mr. Montgomery and carried unanimously.

Mr. Khalil moved to authorize joining the WEX gas card program, seconded by Mrs. Barclay and carried unanimously.

Mr. Montgomery moved to appoint Mark D'Angelo as a member to the Environmental Advisory Council for the vacant term ending December 31, 2015, seconded by Mrs. Reynolds and carried unanimously.

PLANNER'S REPORT:

- The Beedle Park Plan submission to Allegheny County was returned with a few minor comments and questions, which were discussed today with Gateway Engineers. The Plan will be ready for consideration to the Planning Commission at their next meeting.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Nothing to report.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT:

Nothing to report.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

- The Gill Hall VFC has once again made arrangements with Santa for their Annual Santa on a Fire Truck Tour through the Gill Hall VFC primary response area on Sunday, December 15th at 11 a.m.
- The Police Department is having a toy drive with forms available for families in need.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Nothing to report.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

- Ms. Omer opined that the option best for the issue on the Public Works complex site balancing issue is to expand the site which is option #3. Ms. Omer asked if some members of Council could meet tomorrow or Wednesday at the site to help make the decision of which option to choose.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Mr. Khalil asked if we can use money received through a grant for Beedle Park Phase 1B on Phase 1A, and Mr. Cohen replied no.

Mr. Montgomery reported that Greg Jones, of Economic Development South, called and said he has an outside agency looking for river frontage and major rail access. He will show them the Ciafonti and Dillner properties.

Mr. King adjourned the meeting at 8:16 p.m. on motion by Mr. Khalil, seconded by Mrs. Ielase and carried unanimously.

Wayne Jones
Acting Borough Manager