

Borough of Jefferson Hills
Regular Meeting of Council
February 8, 2016

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, Weber and King answered to roll call. Mayor Cmar, Borough Solicitor Shimko, Police Chief Roach, Public Works Director Lovell, Finance Officer Bennett, Secretary Essey, and Consulting Engineer Todd were also present.

CITIZENS/TAXPAYERS COMMENTS:

Andy Tullai asked the Council what is JFR and what does that mean to the fire departments. Mr. King explained that JFR is like an umbrella of the three fire depts. JFR has board members and they disburse the money the Borough gives them amongst the fire departments.

REPORTS:

None

MINUTES:

Mr. Weber moved the minutes of the reorganization meeting January 4, 2016 be approved, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

Mr. Montgomery moved the minutes of the agenda meeting January 6, 2016 be approved, seconded by Mr. Weber and carried unanimously.

Mr. Weber moved the minutes of regular meeting January 11, 2016 be approved, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

MONTHLY BILLS:

Mr. Khalil moved the January bills be approved as follows: General Fund \$227,476.87 and Sewer Revenue \$327,718.08, seconded by Mr. Weber and carried unanimously.

MONTHLY PAYROLLS:

Mr. Weber moved the payrolls for the month of January in the amount of \$224,951.01 be approved, seconded by Mr. Montgomery and carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEMS:

Mr. Weber moved to adopt Resolution No. 12-2016 adopting the Borough Amended

Budget for the year 2016 in final form, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

Mr. King read Resolution No.13-2016, ADOPTING THE ALLEGHENY COUNTY 2015 HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN, Mrs. Ielase moved to adopt Resolution No. 13-2016, seconded by Mr. Weber and carried unanimously.

Mr. King read Resolution No. 14-2016, APPOINTING FRANK SOCKMAN TO FILL VACANCY ON BOROUGH COUNCIL WITH TERM EXPIRING FIRST MONDAY IN JANUARY FOLLOWING THE NEXT MUNICIPAL ELECTION Mr. Weber moved to adopt Resolution No. 14-2016, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

Mayor Cmar swore Mr. Sockman in.

Mr. King read Resolution No. 15-2016, "APPOINTING BOROUGH FINANCE OFFICER CHARLES BENNET BOROUGH ASSISTANT SECRETARY", Mr. Montgomery moved to appoint Mr. Bennett as Assistant Secretary, seconded by Mrs. Ielase and carried unanimously.

Mr. King read Resolution No. 16-2016, "APPROVING COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF JEFFERSON HILLS AND THE LABORERS' DISTRICT COUNCIL OF WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA, LOCAL UNION 1058 REGARDING THE ROAD DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES WITH A TERM JANUARY 1, 2015 TO DECEMBER 31, 2017", Mr. Montgomery moved to adopt Resolution No. 16-2016, seconded by Mr. Weber and carried unanimously.

Mr. King read Resolution No. 17-2016, "APPROVING COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF JEFFERSON HILLS AND THE LABORERS' DISTRICT COUNCIL OF WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA, LOCAL UNION 1058 REGARDING THE CLERICAL EMPLOYEES WITH A TERM JANUARY 1, 2015 TO DECEMBER 31, 2018", Mr. Weber moved to adopt Resolution No. 17-2016, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

Mr. King read Ordinance No. 853, "ESTABLISHING THE BASE REAL ESTATE TAX RATE FOR THE YEAR 2016 AT 5.66 MILLS (GENERAL 5.226 MILLS; FIRE 0.355 MILLS; AND AMBULANCE 0.079 MILLS)", Mr. Montgomery moved to accept Ordinance No. 853, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Ielase moved to authorize the properly Borough officials to advertise for enactment of an Ordinance to amend the Borough Zoning Ordinance and Map to change the base zoning district of six properties from I-2 Heavy Industrial Zoning District to the I-1 Planned Industrial Zoning District, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

Mr. Weber moved to approve Payment Application No. 2 to Jet Jack, Inc. in the amount of \$12,805.52 for the SHACOG Joint Municipal Sanitary Sewer Lining Project – Year 9, subject to the receipt of an invoice from SHACOG, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried out unanimously.

Mrs. Ielase moved to approve Payment Application No. 2 and final to Insight Pipe Contracting, LP in the amount of \$1,095.80 for the SHACOG O&M Preventative Maintenance Project – Year 5, subject to the receipt of an invoice from SHACOG, seconded by Mr. Montgomery and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Ielase moved to approve Payment Application No. 2 and final to Roto Rooter Service Company in the amount of \$6,573.85 for the SHACOG Sanitary Sewer O&M Point Repairs Project – Year 4, subject to the receipt of an invoice from SHACOG, seconded by Mr. Montgomery and carried unanimously.

Mr. Khalil moved to approve a Work Authorization from Gateway Engineers dated January 28, 2016 not to exceed the amount of \$24,000.00 for assistance in the completion of the 2016 CCTV Inspections Project, seconded by Mr. Weber and carried unanimously.

Mr. Weber moved to approve a Work Authorization from Gateway Engineers dated January 28, 2016 not to exceed \$54,000.00 for the Open-Cut and Lining Repairs Project, seconded by Mr. Montgomery and carried ~~out~~ unanimously.

Mr. Weber moved to approve a Work Authorization from Gateway Engineers dated January 28, 2016 not to exceed \$8,000.00 for the 2016 Paving Program, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried ~~out~~ unanimously.

Mr. Khalil moved to authorize Gateway Engineers to proceed with coordinating and designing the sanitary sewer relocate from the replacement of the bridge/culvert on Walton Road crossing over Lobbs Run, seconded by Mr. Weber and carried unanimously.

Mr. Montgomery moved to approve the award of a contract to State Pipe Services, Inc. in the amount of \$43,500.00 as lowest responsible bidder for the Acorn Lane Storm Sewer Pipe Burst Contract, seconded by Mrs. Ielase and carried unanimously.

Mr. Weber moved to accept a settlement with Hercules Incorporated in the amount of \$95,000.00 related to the Borough's expenditure of resources with respect to investigation into sanitary sewer odors, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

Mr. Khalil moved to accept the proposal of Woltz & Wind Ford in the amount of 29,215.00 to purchase one (1) Police vehicle under the SHACOG Purchasing Alliance, seconded by Mrs. Reynolds and carried unanimously.

Mr. Weber moved to accept a proposal in the amount of \$3,000.00 from J.T. Sauer & Associates, LLC for Landscape Architecture Services for the Beedle Park Field Review and Renovations, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

Mr. Weber moved to ratify appointment of John Smith, Esquire and Smith Butz, LLC as Special Counsel with respect to legal matters related to EQT Production Company and ET Blue Grass Clearing, LLC v. Borough of Jefferson Hills, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

Mr. Weber moved to authorize Infinite Cohesion Ltd. as Borough website content management provide, subject to Solicitor approval of proposal/agreement, with an initial setup costs of \$1,200.00 and monthly fees of \$150.00, seconded by Mr. Montgomery and carried unanimously. Mr. Shimko advised he and Jan Milner have talked with Infinite Cohesion and are in the process of defining how the relationship is going to be defined by between the Borough and Infinite Cohesion. You can either work through a proposal agreement or an agreement approval.

Mr. Montgomery moved to appoint Holly Schrum as a member to the library board of Directors for a term ending December 31, 2018, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

Mr. Weber moved to appoint Jen Bittel as a member to the library board of Directors for a term ending December 31, 2018, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

FINANCE OFFICER/TREASURER:

Mr. Bennett spoke with Senate Engineering and Rich Lear, Pennsylvania Municipal regarding the sewer rates and wants to jump start the sewer study.

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S REPORT:

[Nothing to report?????????](#)

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Lovell has left numerous messages in regards to the work request from PennDot for the work to be done on Route 885 during the hours of 7:00 p.m. – 6:00 a.m., but has not yet received a call back. Mr. Weber suggested an email to her and her boss to have our questions answered before we can make a decision.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT:

Nothing to report

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Nothing to report

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Cmar read a letter she received from a resident acknowledging Officer Brunetti and Officer King for their kindness and professionalism working with autistic kids with the Project Lifesaver.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Mr. Montgomery asked if anyone knew how to dispose of TV's since Best Buy is no longer taking them. Mr. Weber said the County has two pick-ups a year at the County Airport. He suggested that they be put in the In [Community](#) Magazine and also on the website.

Mr. Montgomery told the Council that the Planning Commission is having a retirement dinner for [ex-Commission member](#) Mr. Lostetter at Payne Hill Grill on Monday, February 22nd.

Mr. Sockman thanked members of Council for their confidence in appointing him to Council and hopes he can contribute and assist the Council and citizens.

Mr. Weber reviewed the Summer Camp proposal and agrees with it and thinks we should proceed with it.

Mr. Weber asked if the letter was sent to Mr. Clayton to speak at the March 9th meeting.

Mr. Khalil said Tuesday, February 23rd at 5:30 would be the best time for an engineering meeting.

Mr. Khalil reported there will be a JFR meeting on February 16th at 7:00 p.m. at Gill Hall Fire Department.

Mr. Khalil also reported this Thursday, February 11th, at 3:00 p.m. he will be meeting with [State Representative-Senator](#) Reschenthaler.

Mrs. Reynolds said she received complaints during [the lasta recent](#) snow storm about the lack of road crew.

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ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Weber moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m., seconded by Mr. Sockman and carried out unanimously.

Linda M. Essey
Borough Secretary

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