

Borough of Jefferson Hills
Regular Meeting of Council
November 12, 2013

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, Montgomery, Reynolds and King answered to roll call. Acting Engineer Minsterman, Solicitor Shimko, Public Works Director Lovell, Police Chief Roach, Finance Officer/Treasurer Jones and Planner/Zoning Officer Cohen were also present. Council Members Barclay and Weber and Borough Manager Arndt were absent. Council Member Khalil arrived at 7:04 p.m.

CITIZENS/TAXPAYERS:

A. Darla Kozak - 6004 Claire Valley Court - President of the Board of Directors of Jefferson Estates Homeowners Association - asked about the meeting Council planned to have with Pleasant Hills regarding Frank Street. Mr. King stated Mr. Montgomery spoke with a couple of individuals who were going to take it back to their Council to have a discussion on it.

Mr. Khalil arrived.

B. Dr. Diane Landers - 4334 Harlin Drive - voiced concern over the safety of the intersection of Woodwind Drive and Gill Hall Road if Frank Street is made a through-road.

C. Carmen Gioia - 4306 Harlin Drive - He asked, for the record, is it Council's opinion that Frank Street should be for emergency and public works access only. Mr. King stated it is important that the message we deliver to Pleasant Hills is the same one Council and the Homeowner's Association have and is the right one.

Mr. Montgomery advised Pleasant Hills wants in writing what we are requesting.

D. Diane Hughes - 4302 Harlin Drive - asked the timeline of the building of the bridge, and Mr. Cohen stated it really depends on the discussion between Jefferson Hills and Pleasant Hills.

E. Tim Landers - 4334 Harlin Drive - suggested a committee be formed by Council Members to meet with the Homeowners Association and talk things out. Mr. King appointed Dave Montgomery, Jay Weber and Melissa Barclay to be on the committee.

F. Brent Bowker - General Manager of Republic Services, gave a short overview of their services. Mr. King advised the item to accept the bid for the Solid Waste Collection was removed from tonight's agenda as there were three Council Members missing from Wednesday's discussion meeting.

MINUTES:

Mr. Khalil moved the minutes of regular meeting September 9, 2013 be approved, seconded by Mrs. Ielase and carried unanimously.

Mr. Montgomery moved the record of public hearing October 9, 2013 be approved, seconded by Mrs. Reynolds and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Reynolds moved the minutes of agenda meeting October 9, 2013 be approved, seconded by Mr. Montgomery and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Ielase moved the minutes of regular meeting October 14, 2013 be approved, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried on a 4-0-1 roll call vote. Mr. Khalil abstained.

MONTHLY BILLS:

Mr. Khalil moved the October bills be approved as follows: General Fund \$392,597.08, Sewer Revenue \$272,394.62, 2005 GOB Capital Fund \$6,490.90, 2005 GOB Project Fund \$141,878.03, Ambulance Tax \$1,518.95, Fire Tax \$378.29, Highway Aid \$2,282.93 and Escrow \$742.25, seconded by Mr. Montgomery and carried unanimously.

MONTHLY PAYROLLS:

Mrs. Reynolds moved the payrolls for the month of October in the amount of \$198,855.09 be approved, seconded by Mr. Montgomery and carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEMS:

Mr. King read Resolution No. 36-2013, "AMENDING THE SALARIES, COMPENSATION AND WAGES FOR BOROUGH EMPLOYEES FOR THE YEAR 2013." Mrs. Ielase moved to adopt Resolution No. 36-2013, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

Mr. King read Resolution No. 37-2013, "APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE ZONING HEARING BOARD FOR THE UNEXPIRED TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2013." Mr. Montgomery nominated Karen Devine, seconded by Mrs. Ielase and carried unanimously.

Mr. King read Ordinance No. 836, "AMENDING THE UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE (UCC) TO REQUIRE BUILDING PERMITS FOR RESIDENTIAL ACCESSORY STRUCTURES OVER 300 SQUARE FEET RATHER THAN 1,000 SQUARE FEET AS ALLOWED BY PENNSYLVANIA ACT 45." Mr. Khalil moved to adopt Ordinance No. 836, seconded by Mrs. Reynolds and carried unanimously.

Mr. Montgomery moved to accept bids for the SHACOG Purchasing Alliance 2013 Fall Commodities, seconded by Mrs. Reynolds and carried unanimously.

Mr. Montgomery moved to approve Payment No. 1 and Final to SHACOG for Jet Jack, Inc. in the amount of \$15,386.60 for Joint O & M Preventative Maintenance Cleaning - Year 2, seconded by Mrs. Reynolds and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Ielase moved to approve Payment Application No. 3 to General Industries in the amount of \$386,646.27 for the Public Works Complex and Salt Storage Facility, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Reynolds moved to approve Payment No. 1 to A-1 Electric in the amount of \$42,345.00 for the Public Works Complex and Salt Storage Facility, seconded by Mrs. Ielase and carried unanimously.

Mr. Khalil moved to approve Payment No. 1 to Vrabel Plumbing in the amount of \$46,350.00 for the Public Works Complex and Salt Storage Facility, seconded by Mrs. Ielase and carried unanimously.

Mr. Montgomery moved to approve Payment No. 1 and Final to Russell Standard Corporation in the amount of \$65,858.61 for the 2013 Pavement Maintenance Program Contract B Rebid, seconded by Mrs. Reynolds and carried unanimously.

Mr. Khalil moved to approve Work Authorization dated October 30, 2013 in the amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 for Construction Administration and Inspection of the Public Works Complex and Salt Storage Facility, seconded by Mrs. Reynolds and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Reynolds moved to approve Work Authorization dated November 1, 2013 in the amount not to exceed \$39,500.00 concerning the Peters Creek Clairton Interceptor MH Rehab Project, seconded by Mr. Montgomery and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Ielase moved to authorize the proper officers to execute the software support service agreements with Edmunds and Associates for the period January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 for a cost of \$6,749.00, seconded by Mr. Khalil. Solicitor Shimko advised the agreements are for both software and hardware support. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Ielase moved to approve the Agreement to retain the services of Law Enforcement Personnel between the Borough of Jefferson Hills and West Jefferson Hills School District, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Reynolds moved to tentatively adopt the 2014 Borough Budget, seconded by Mrs. Ielase. Mr. Khalil suggested the Budget Committee meet with the various Department Heads up front first, then meet to tweek the budget. Mr. Khalil was instructed to send an email with possible dates to meet with the Department Heads. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Ielase moved to designate Wayne Jones, Finance Officer, to act temporarily in the capacity of Borough Manager, and approve Mr. Jones's temporarily increased salary to \$83,595.00/year until the earlier of Mr. Arndt's return or Borough Council's revocation of this designation, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Ielase moved to extend the Agreement between the Borough of Jefferson Hills and Eugene W. Roach, Jr. through December 31, 2016, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

Mr. Khalil moved to ratify consent to settle to Borough insurance carriers Ace-Westchester and National Casualty in Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, Docket Number GD-11-023492, seconded by Mr. Montgomery and carried on a 4-0-1 roll call vote. Mr. King abstained.

PLANNER'S REPORT:

- The pre-construction meeting was held on the Mill School project.

- We have received the first building permits for the Washington Square Development

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

- Gateway Engineers met with the Engineering Committee today to determine the next step for the Act 537 Plan for the West Elizabeth sewershed. They will be issuing a letter from Council stating that Jefferson Hills will be proceeding with the Act 537 option to upgrade the WESA facility. Gateway will now proceed to revise the existing Act 537 report to reflect that change.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Nothing to report.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT:

- PEMA has now said we can resubmit monies we spent for infrastructure damage due to the July 10, 2013 storm, to include additional dates for storm cleanup.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

- Light-up Night has been cancelled this year due to the lack of parking during the construction of the Public Work Facility.
- The Christmas trees in the Municipal Center will be decorated on November 20th and help would be greatly appreciated.
- The Police Department is having a toy drive with forms available for families in need.
- Jefferson Hills was voted the No. 1 best place to raise young families in the Commonwealth. Mr. Montgomery suggested we put up signs upon entering Jefferson Hills noting this award, and Mr. Lovell was instructed to look into this.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Mr. Khalil asked the official timeline for completion of the Public Works Facility, and Mr. Lovell agreed to copy the document for Council next month.

Mr. Montgomery requested a letter be written to Pleasant Hills stating residents have come before Council with safety concerns if Frank Street is not made a restricted road. Mr. Jones was instructed to work with Mr. Cohen on the letter and submit it to Council for approval before sending out.

Mr. Montgomery advised the Environmental Advisory Council is looking for new members. Mr. King instructed Mr. Jones to have Ms. Esworthy put an ad on the website.

Mr. King adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m. on motion by Mrs. Reynolds, seconded by Mrs. Ielase and carried unanimously.

Wayne Jones
Assistant Secretary