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Derry Borough Council met in regular session Monday, June 12, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. in the Derry Station Community Room, 200 West Second Avenue, Derry, PA with the following members present: Al Checca, Presiding, Daniel Chaney, David Jones, Dave Fletcher and Jim Ritenour. Chad Fabian was absent. Mayor Kevin Gross was present and Nick Cammuso was reporting.

MOTION by Dave Fletcher to approve the minutes for the regular council meeting of May 8, 2017. Motion **SECONDED** by Jim Ritenour. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

MOTION by Daniel Chaney Sr. to approve the treasurer’s report with a General Fund Balance Sheet totaling \$300,968.92 for May 31, 2017. Motion **SECONDED** by Jim Ritenour. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

1. Don Ritenour – Owens Avenue – Observing for any information on Owens Avenue Extension Project.
2. Grant Nicely – 205 Park Street – Observing with interest of council vacancy.
3. Mike Reffo – 221 S. Chestnut St. – Observing with interest of council vacancy.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT

The Solicitor provided a written report to Borough Council relating to public and attorney client privileged issues. Due to the moratorium Borough Counsel enacted to reduce expenses, the Solicitor was directed to not appear at the public meeting.

Motion by Jim Ritenour to go to executive session. Motion **SECONDED** by Daniel Chaney. All members present agreed. **Derry Borough Council went into executive session for legal and personnel reasons at 7:04pm. Executive session ended at 8:21pm.**

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Kevin Gross submitted the Mayor’s report for May 2017 with receipts of \$600.81 which included traffic receipts of \$502.06 and non-traffic receipts of \$.24. There were 89 complaint calls, 19 traffic citations, 0 non-traffic citations, and one parking ticket.

BUILDING INSPECTIONS UNDERWRITERS, INC. MONTHLY REPORT

BIU reported for the month of May 2017 (5) five code violations, (1) one Occupancy permit, and (1) zoning permit.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Municipal Authority Review Committee – Chad Fabian and Al Checca ***Stormwater Agreement*** **MOTION** by Al Checca to advertise for letters for the possibility of selling the Municipal Authority. Motion **SECONDED** by Dave Fletcher. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

Jim Ritenour – ***Public Works*** – ***Punch List Rt. 217 Bridge Project***. Mr. Ritenour is working with Penn Dot regarding the items which need addressed. There are many new

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lawns not being maintained this year. Public works department has been attending to them as necessary.

***Al Checca**-Police Mr. Checca asked the Mayor to have the police department address and enforce trucks that are still using their jake-brakes on the bridge even though signage is posted. Mayor Gross stated the new car should be ready within a week, and that council can proceed with the sale of the 2011 Crown Vic if they wish.*

***Chad Fabian**- Absent*

***Lori Latta** – Pool, Mossback Park, and 2nd Ward Playground has been weeded and mulched Thank you to DARCEE for assisting with the Playground including Vince Mastrorocco and family, Sara Crispin Thomas, and Celia Rajkovich*

REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

- DARCee Meeting will be held on June 28, 2017 at 7pm, location will be at Derry Township meeting room.
- RR Days Committee meets 2nd Thursday, monthly at Derry Station Community Room at 6:30pm New volunteers are always welcome.

PLANNING COMMISSION

COMMUNICATIONS

- Letter received by Micah Ritenour for the council vacancy
- Letter received by Grant Nicely for the council vacancy
- Letter received by Michael Reffo for the council vacancy
- Derry Midget Football Sponsor request \$30- \$225 options
- Thank you letter received from Friends of Caldwell Memorial Library
- Review and planning for 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Plan Bridge or Road Projects
- PSAB Annual Conference October 13-15, 2017 Mount Pocono (Elected Officials/Council) Cost to be announced
- PA Municipal Administrators Annual Conference – August 16-19, 2017 Mount Pocono (Secretary/Treasurer) \$300 Conference Fee, Room & Mileage

PUBLIC HEARING

Review - Ordinance #777

Modifying Derry Code, Article VII – Signs §425-87 to allow for Zip-change Lettering on signs within the Borough of Derry

Public Comment

Approval and Adoption of Ordinance 777-17

MOTION by Jim Ritenour to approve and adopt Ordinance 777. Motion **SECONDED** by David Jones. A roll call vote was taken. All five members present Dave Fletcher, David Jones,

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Jim Ritenour, Al Checca, and Daniel Chaney Sr. voted “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Board and Commission terms expiring in the Borough:
 - a) Two (2) vacancies and (1) alternate vacancy for the Zoning Hearing Board
 - b) Three (3) Civil Service Commission Vacancies three (6) year-terms expiring every two years
 - c) Vacancy Board Chairman
2. N. Ligonier Street Bridge and Owens Avenue Extension Project
3. Council Vacancy – Dave Fletcher recommended appointing Grant Nicely for the council position available. **MOTION** by Dave Fletcher to appoint Grant Nicely as a Borough Councilmember was made. Motion **SECONDED** by Jim Ritenour. A roll call vote was taken. All five members present Dave Fletcher, David Jones, Jim Ritenour, Al Checca, and Daniel Chaney Sr. voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.
4. Community Park Project – Ken Orié, Gibson-Thomas Engineer is finalizing plans for the project.
5. Occupancy Permits/Zoning Certificates/ Rental Properties – Review samples provided
6. Public Works Crew Leader Position – Scheduled interviews took place. There were several excellent candidates. The committee will be reviewing again and creating a list for second interviews.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Rt. 217 Bridge Project Punchlist/ Fencing
2. **MOTION** by Dave Jones to approve and request Bids for the 2011 Crown Victoria Police Car. Motion was **SECONDED** by Dave Fletcher. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed. It will be posted on Municibid and in our local paper. All equipment will be removed prior to sale.
3. **MOTION** by Jim Ritenour to approve Resolution #615-17 Intergovernmental Agreement for an IPM Code Appeals Board with the Central Westmoreland COG. Motion **SECONDED** by Daniel Chaney Sr. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.
4. Resident Concern Richard Payne – Intersection light at N. Chestnut and Rt. 217 (4th Street/Owens Avenue) An engineering study would need to take place first. An intersection would be costly and due to the fact that Rt. 217 is a State Route, Penn Dot would have to approve of installation as well.

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There was discussion regarding speeding by many drivers taking place on E. Third Avenue downhill approaching S. Chestnut Street. Councilmembers requested the Mayor to ask the police to please enforce the speed in that area for a period of time. Once a few people receive some tickets for speeding people may begin to slow down.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MOTION by Dave Fletcher to approve payment of bills totaling \$80,470.56 and all outstanding legitimate bills through the end of the month. Motion **SECONDED** by Jim Ritenour. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Dave Jones to adjourn at 7:43p.m. Motion **SECONDED** by Al Checca. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori L. Latta
Secretary