

February 9, 2021

Pursuant to Governor Wolfes Covid-19 proclamation of Disaster Emergency public meetings were conducted remotely via Zoom. Derry Borough Council met in regular session Tuesday, February 9, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. remotely with the Zoom App inviting the public to attend electronically with the following members present: Grant Nicely, Presiding, Sara Cowan, Al Checca, Matthew Clever, Jeremy Stein, and Barbara Phillips. Jim Ritenour entered later in the meeting. Lee Demosky, Solicitor was present. Nick Cammuso was reporting for the Latrobe Bulletin.

MOTION by Al Checca to approve Regular Meeting Minutes of January 12, 2021. Motion **SECONDED** by Jeremy Stein. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

MOTION by Sara Cowan to approve the Treasurer’s Report in the amount of \$371,298.36 for January 31, 2021. Motion **SECONDED** by Al Checca. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

1. Jasen Lentz – W. Owens Avenue – Observing
2. Steve Kozar – W. Second Avenue – Observing and support any questions regarding the Hazard Mitigation Resolution from the County.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT

No report for the public.

MAYOR’S REPORT

The Mayor reported for January 2021 with receipts of \$402.41 which included traffic receipts of \$0, non-traffic receipts of \$64.52, and \$337.89 in clerk of court and miscellaneous receipts. There were 24 complaint calls, 0 traffic citations, 0 non-traffic citations, and no parking tickets.

K-9 Report

The K-9 Report for January 2021 balance is \$1,377.10. Two invoices were paid, \$50 to NAPWDA and \$39.74 for Latrobe Animal Clinic. Maintenance training is continuing on Tuesdays when staffing allows and t-shirts and sweatshirts are still available to support the K-9 program.

CODE OFFICIALS REPORT

BIU submitted 3 Occupancy Permits and 1 Code Violation for January 2021.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Works – Mr. Nicely reported on behalf of Adam Hebenthal, a salt delivery is due on Thursday, February 11, 2021. The Public Works department has enough salt for emergency needs at this time. The township has allowed us to utilize some of their salt as we were in

need, which we will reimburse with our next large order. Mr. Checca wanted to Thank Derry Township for assisting us.

Buildings and Grounds – An inquiry with the Landbank to find status of 3 specific dilapidated residential properties in the borough.

Police – The police will be shredding documents next week as scheduled with the Allegheny Shredding mobile unit. Mayor Gaudiello was hoping public works may be able to assist with moving the boxes to the mobile unit if possible. (***Due to weather, at a later date after the meeting the unit was rescheduled for March**) Mayor Gaudiello wanted to mention that Justin James has completed training and enjoys working for the Borough. Rex Hunter received a compliment for playing ball at the community park with the kids on facebook. Mayor Gaudiello would also like to request council to approve Chief Glick’s contract for the year of 2021. Council agreed to approve later in the meeting.

Finance/Budget

Zoning/UCC/Code

Parks and Recreation

Fire Protection- Grant explained the changes to the Public Safety and Fire Protection Committees Mayor Gaudiello mentioned that the most recent meeting with the Fire Department went very well and she feels confident that communication will be open moving forward.

Grants

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Derry Borough Council went to executive session at the Derry Borough Council Worksession held on Tuesday, February 2, 2021 at 8:15pm for personnel and legal discussion. Executive session ended at 9:05pm.

PLANNING COMMISSION

No report

REPRESENTATIVES

DARCEE met on Wednesday, January 27th, 2021. A few DARCEE members mentioned that they would like to support any projects for grounds improvements at the Derry Outdoor Community Pool. Mainly their concern is the fencing and possibly some visual attributes in the back area facing the baseball fields and landscaping in the front where the trees were removed.

COMMUNICATIONS

- Cat’s Twilight is co-hosting an online comedy show called Dogs, Cats & Comedians - It’s Stand Pup Comedy on Tuesday, February 16! We’re partnering with Comic Cure for a fun online event starring adoptable pets and funny humans. Performers have been seen on America’s Got Talent, Comedy Central, Conan and many more! Tickets are \$20, and 50% comes back to Cat’s Twilight. You can buy tickets on Cat’s Twilight’s Facebook page, or calling us at 412-245-1585. You will need an internet capable device (phone, tablet, or computer) to participate!

- Boy Scout Troops are working with us to put a community service project together for some perennial planting on April 24th.
 - Westmoreland County Parks and Recreation \$1,000 Grant Applications for Performing Arts and Visual Arts is due by March 30, 2021 www.co.wetmoreland.pa.us/parks
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OLD BUSINESS

1. Board and Commission terms expiring in the Borough:
 - a) One (1) vacancy and (1) alternate vacancy for the Zoning Hearing Board

MOTION by Sara Cowan to approve resignation of Joe Serrao from the MABD and advertise for the vacancy. Motion **SECONDED** by Al Checca. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

2. Porcelain Park – KU Resources Planning – Email received by Hallie Chatfield regarding progress.
3. 2020 Paving Project – PIB Loan application submitted, waiting for approval from PIB to move forward with DCED paperwork. (Loan amount of \$200,000)
4. Approve Ordinance 791 an Ordinance increasing the Indebtedness of the Borough of Derry, Westmoreland County, PA by the issue of a General Obligation Note in the amount of \$200,000 for purposes of Street Resurfacing in the Borough of Derry. (DCED Requirement) – Tabled
5. 5th Avenue Culvert – Permit Applications Initiated and Budget Revision completed.
6. Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer – Discussion of possible share agreement with the City of Latrobe for these services took place. . Ms. Phillips explained that the City of Latrobe has hired a person for the position starting salary of \$46,000 which they would like us to share 25% with benefits. They will be approving their candidate in March. Council will further discuss at the March meeting.
7. Sewer Lateral Testing Ordinance Amendments – Committee meeting will present to council in March with the Solicitor the recommended amendments.
8. Stormwater Ordinance- Doug Siler, GTE – Presented draft ordinance. (Forwarded to Amy Forsha, Lee Demosky, and Council for review) Solicitor is waiting on comments from the manager of the Municipal Authority.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **MOTION** by Al Checca to approve the budget amendments that were reviewed and presented by the budget committee. Motion **SECONDED** by Sara Cowan. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

2. **MOTION** by Al Checca to approve Resolution 653-21 Westmoreland County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Motion **SECONDED** by Jim Ritenour. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

3. **MOTION** by Sara Cowan to approve August 2021- July 2022 Salt Contract request for 650 ton. Motion **SECONDED** by Jim Ritenour. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

4. Public Works Contract - Tabled

5. **MOTION** by Al Checca to approve the 2021 DASD Police Service Agreement with an increase of \$500 (3.7%). Motion **SECONDED** by Sara Cowan. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

6. **MOTION** by Al Checca to approve extension of Chief of Police Contract for the year of 2021 with a 2% increase and all other language the same effective January 1, 2021. Motion **SECONDED** by Jeremy Stein. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

MOTION by Matt Clever to pay the bills totaling \$37,860.32 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 Sara Cowan to adjourn at 7:44pm. Motion **SECONDED** by Al Checca. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori L. Latta
Secretary