

May 13, 2019

Derry Borough Council met in regular session Monday, April 8, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. in the Derry Station Community Room, 200 West Second Avenue, Derry, PA with the following members present: Chad Fabian, Acting Mayor, Al Checca, Presiding, Grant Nicely, Mary Landis, Jim Ritenour and Daniel Chaney were present. David Jones was absent.

MOTION by Daniel Chaney to approve the minutes for the regular council meeting of April 8, 2019. Motion **SECONDED** by Mary Landis. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

MOTION by Daniel Chaney to approve the treasurer’s report with a General Fund Balance Sheet totaling \$327,463.45 for April 30, 2019. Motion **SECONDED** by Grant Nicely. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

1. Don Ritenour – Owens Avenue – Looking for updates Owens Avenue Extension Project. Inquired about the storm drain he installed on his property to see if it could be cleaned out. It has filled with stone and debris and he felt it came from the work completed by West Penn Power.
2. Alison Camp – 301 S. Ligonier Street – Observing
3. Sara Cowan – 306 W. Sixth Avenue – Observing with Community Interest

SOLICITOR’S REPORT

Lee Demosky was present and there was no report for the public.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Derry Borough Council went into executive session at the Derry Borough Worksession held on Monday, May 6, 2019 at 7:52pm for personnel reasons. Executive session ended at 8:13pm.

MAYOR’S REPORT

The Mayor report for April 2019 with receipts of \$759.63 which included traffic receipts of \$426.25 and non-traffic receipts of \$146.34. There were 54 complaint calls, 13 traffic citations, 2 non-traffic citations, and no parking tickets.

BUILDING INSPECTIONS UNDERWRITERS, INC. MONTHLY REPORT

BIU reported for April 2019 (3) three code violations.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Municipal Authority Review Committee** – Al Checca and Dan Chaney No report*
- Grant Nicely** – Public Works Lawn Tractor at the pool is in poor condition. PW requested a new tractor. Mr. Nicely felt we could purchase a bag instead for the zero turn mower and it would be more cost efficient.*
- Al Checca-Police- FT** – Officer, Food Truck – Lois Lazarchik*

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***Chad Fabian** – Temporary Mayor Pressure washing the pool on Tuesday, May 14, 2019 with the Fire Department Daniel Chaney asked about information regarding a possible leak in the pool. He was concerned there was barely any water in the pool upon taking the cover off.*

***Lori Latta** – Bid Opening Monday, May 13, 2019 at 11am for Community Park is listed below. Researching Landscapers for the 2nd Ward Playground area.*

***Mary Landis** – Grants*

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PLANNING COMMISSION

No report

REPRESENTATIVES

DARCEE Car Show - Sunday, August 4th, 2019 Noon-4pm

DARCEE Meeting Summary (April 24, 2019)

-Creating brochure highlighting each entity

-Improvements DARCEE would like to see Fencing at the Pool, Beautification Front of Pool Area

- Stormwater issue on third base of baseball fields, coming from the railroad track area

- Sojourn Saturday, May 18, 2019 ending at boat launch in New Alexandria (Gray Wing Park)

Next DARCEE meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 22, 2019 at the Derry Borough Municipal Building on the 2nd Floor in the meeting room.

COMMUNICATIONS

- Penn Prime Annual Membership Meeting September 19-20, 2019 Penn State College – Workers Compensation
- Letter of interest from Alanna Derito for Mayor position
- Letter of interest from Micah Ritenour for Mayor position
- Letter of interest from Justin Martinez for Mayor position
- Certifications for Stormwater Management Program – David Overly, Al Checca, and Daniel Chaney.
- Westmoreland County Borough's Association – May 23, 2019 at 7pm Westmoreland Conservation District Education Center Speaker - David Leng Duncan Insurance RSVP by May 20, 2019

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) One (1) Planning Commission Vacancies

2. Garland Mills –Project Planning - 5th Avenue Area – Doug Siler Reviewing Funding Options

3. MS 4 - List requested from Al Checca from PW regarding storm drains that need repaired and infrastructure issues to repair icing issues during winter months - Stormwater Budget

4. Community Park Bathroom Upgrades – Bid Opening 11am May 13, 2019
Two bids were received - JT Masonry Construction - \$40,000
Vince Building Company \$60,000

MOTION by Daniel Chaney to approve JT Masonry Construction in the amount of \$40,000 subject to Gibson-Thomas Engineering’s review and recommendation. Motion **SECONDED** by Grant Nicely. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

5. Police Contract – Wage Increase for PT Officers - Tabled

NEW BUSINESS

1. Mayor Position – **MOTION** by Grant Nicely to approve Kevin Gross’s resignation effective May 13, 2019. Motion **SECONDED** by Daniel Chaney. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed. **MOTION** by Mary Landis to advertise for the Mayor vacancy accepting applications until Monday June 3, 2019. . Motion **SECONDED** by Grant Nicely. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

2. Part-time public works for lawn and grounds maintenance -

3. **MOTION** by Grant Nicely to approve hiring of Dave Marghella effective April 17, 2019 as a part-time officer. Motion **SECONDED** by Jim Ritenour. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of a motion. Motion passed.

4. Full-time Police Officer position.

5. Part-time Officer position.

6. Morgan Sobota will present a plan for an updated Derry Community Park Sign for an Eagle Scout Project at the next Derry Council Worksession.

MOTION by Dan Chaney to go into executive session. Motion **SECONDED** by Mary Landis.

Derry Borough Council went into executive session at 7:26pm for personnel reasons. Executive session ended at 7:54pm.

MOTION by Mary Landis to approve David Marghella as a Derry Borough Full-time Police officer. Motion **SECONDED** by Daniel Chaney. Roll call vote requested. Grant- No, Al Checca – yes, Daniel Chaney – yes, Mary Landis- yes, Jim Ritenour – No Motion passed.

Grant Nicely would like to see the blue Derry Community Park sign moved to a different location for better viewing purposes.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

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MOTION by Grant Nicely to approve payment of bills totaling \$136,342.70 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 Grant Nicely to adjourn at 7:57p.m. Motion **SECONDED** by Jim Ritenour. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori L. Latta
Secretary