

**LEETSDALE BOROUGH COUNCIL** met in Regular Session at 7:00 PM on Thursday, March 9, 2023 in Council Chambers.

Council President Lee called the meeting to order and announced the meeting was being recorded.

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

#### **ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:** Council President P. Lee; Councilors M. Carroll, W. James, M. Napolitano and J. Weatherby

**ATTENDED BY PHONE:** Mayor S. Ford

**EXCUSED:** Councilors O. Awad and R. Nanni

**ALSO, PRESENT:** D. Conlon, Esq., Tucker Arensberg Attorneys; D. Slagle, P.E., Nichols & Sagle Engineering, Inc.; Daniel Raible, Chief of Police

#### **REPORTS RECEIVED**

**MINUTES:** February Regular Session

**TREASURER'S:** January

**MOTION BY** Mr. Weatherby to approve the January and February Treasurer's Reports, February Regular Session Minutes and the February Tax Collector's Report, second by Ms. Napolitano  
**MOTION CARRIES**

#### **AUDIENCE ADDRESSING COUNCIL**

**Judy Felicion, 186 Broad Street**, discussed the possible adoption of the chicken ordinance that is being considered for advertisement and adoption in the future

**Jim Gilbert, 3 Main Street**, expressed that he is not in favor of the chicken ordinance

**Tom Casillas, 12 Main Street**, interested in Council adoption since neighboring communities already have such an ordinance in place

**Scott Zahner, 164 Victory Lane**, since the 4<sup>th</sup> of July is not an agenda item, Mr. Zahner will present the committees ideas at the end of the meeting

**John Wright, LSSE Engineers for Centerville Development LP**, provided an update on the project located at 1101 and 1201 Brickworks Drive, Leedsdale Industrial Park

**Henriette Kretzler, 343 Washington Street**, provided an update on the vehicles that were moved in the parking lot at Snyder and requested additional information for Elite Towing violations

#### **SOLICITOR**

**D. Conlon, Esq.**

**MOTION BY** Ms. Napolitano to advertise the Chicken Ordinance, second by Mr. Weatherby

Question on the motion by Ms. Carroll, questioned the process for adoption? Mr. Conlon confirmed this is to advertise the ordinance for possible adoption at the April meeting.

**MOTION CARRIES**

**MOTION BY** Mr. Weatherby to advertise the amendments to the Property Maintenance Code to set fines and penalties, second by Ms. Napolitano

**MOTION CARRIES**

#### **ENGINEER**

**Dan Slagle, P.E.**

- Mr. Slagle reviewed the Engineer's monthly report

**MOTION BY** Ms. Napolitano to pay final estimate no 1 to C. Crump, Inc. in the amount of \$5,800.00 for the First Street Stormwater Project, second by Mr. Weatherby

**MOTION CARRIES**

**MOTION BY** Ms. Napolitano to authorize the Borough Engineer to apply for the DCED Local Share grant for an emergency exit from the industrial park area, Ms. Carroll  
**MOTION CARRIES**

**MAYOR'S REPORT****Sandra J. Ford**

- Mayor Ford thanked Scott Zahner for heading the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Committee so the parade and fireworks can still be held this year
- The Annual Cleanup Day will be held Saturday, April 22, 2023 from 9:00 AM until Noon
- The Sewickley Library is celebrating 150<sup>th</sup> years

**FINANCE/BUDGET/TAXES****Patricia Lee, Chairperson**

**MOTION BY** Mr. Weatherby to transfer \$9,602.50 from the Road Reconstruction Fund to the General Fund for reimbursement of the Final Estimate no. 3 for the Overpass Barrier Ramp Project paid to El Grande Industries, Inc., second by Ms. Napolitano  
**MOTION CARRIES**

**MOTION BY** Mr. Weatherby to table the motion to have Chief Daniel Raible attend workshop meetings for additional cost not to exceed \$4,000.00 for overtime to cover the daylight Friday shift after the meeting  
**MOTION TABLED**

**ORGANIZATION ADMINISTRATION****Maria Napolitano, Chairperson**

- Council was awarded the Local Government Academy 2023 Municipal Intern. A possible motion to accept the Placement Site Guidelines will be considered once the interview process is completed and an intern is selected
- Ms. Napolitano advised the new website is still in the process of being updated and no launch date has been announced yet.
- The Tree-Vitalize Grant award was received and the planting day is scheduled for Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM until Noon.
- Council will be hosting a Meet the Candidates Night on March 30, 2023 at 7:00 PM in the Community Room

**PUBLIC SAFETY/POLICE****Jeffery Weatherby, Chairperson**

- Chief Raible reviewed the police department's monthly report

**MOTION BY** Mr. Weatherby to adopt the QVCOG shared mobile fingerprint scanner by the PA Chiefs of Police Association agreement outlining the device usage and sharing policy, second by Ms. Napolitano  
**MOTION CARRIES**

**PUBLIC SAFETY/FIRE****Wesley James, Chairperson**

- Mr. James reviewed the Fire Department's monthly report

**STREET DEPARTMENT/BOROUGH PROPERTY****Osman Awad, Chairperson**

- Nothing new to report this month

**PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY****Beth Carroll, Chairperson**

- Two Parks & Rec Board vacancies with terms ending 2024
- The Recreation Board is hosting an Easter Egg Hunt & Activities in Henle Park on Saturday, April 1, 2023 at 2:00 PM and a Mother's Day Tea on May 14, 2023 in the community room from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM
- Sewickley Library will be posting StoryWalk in Henle Park this spring

**PLANNING/ZONING & CODE ENFORCEMENT****Maria Napolitano, Chairperson**

- Received the Building Inspection and Code Enforcement Monthly Report
- The Planning Commission is hosting Focus Groups on March 12, April 23 and May 7, 2023 at 6:00 PM located in the Community Room

**MOTION BY** Ms. Napolitano to adopt Resolution 03-2003 to appoint members; Henrietta Kretzler, one-year appointment; Benjamin Frederick, two-year appointment and James Gilbert, three-year appointment to the IPMC Board of Appeals and set an application fee, second by Mr. Weatherby

MOTION CARRIES

- Comprehensive Plan baseline draft compiled from the 2005 and 2007 plans without edits

**NEW BUSINESS**

**MOTION BY** Ms. Napolitano to reappointment John Kroeck to the Leedsdale Municipal Authority with a term ending 2028, second by Mr. Weatherby

MOTION CARRIES

**MOTION BY** Ms. Napolitano to accept the resignation letter from Deb Canney from the Planning Commission, second by Mr. James

MOTION CARRIES

- One vacancy on the Planning Commission with a term ending December 31, 2027

**MOTION BY** Ms. Napolitano to table the reappointment request from Deborah Taggart for the Shade Tree Commission with a term ending 2028

MOTION TABLED

**MOTION BY** Mr. Weatherby to appoint Judy Felicion to the Vacancy Board Chairperson with a term ending 2024, second by Mr. James

MOTION CARRIES

**MOTION BY** Mr. Weatherby to reappoint Debra Henle to the Zoning Hearing Board with a term ending 2025, second by Ms. Carroll

MOTION CARRIES

- One vacancy remains on the Zoning Hearing Board Alternate with a term ending 2023

**CORRESPONDENCE**

- Return your completed Ethics Form to Jennifer Simek by May 1, 2023
- Received the QVCOG Executive Director's Report for March 2023

**LIST OF BILLS**

**MOTION BY** Mr. Weatherby to accept the List of Bills, second by Ms. Carroll

MOTION CARRIES

Ms. Napolitano abstained from the motion for receiving payment from the Borough

**AUDIENCE ADDRESSING COUNCIL**

**Scott Zahner, 164 Victory Lane**, provided an 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade and Fireworks update. Mr. Zahner confirmed that he would be in contact with the Police and Fire Departments for coverage and road closures. Hosting a Spaghetti Dinner on Friday, April 29, 2023 from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM

**Judy, 158 Broad Street**, confirmed the election process for a member of Council

**ADJOURNMENT**

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**MOTION BY** Mr. Weatherby to adjourn at 8:02 P.M.  
MOTION CARRIES

Respectfully submitted,

*Jennifer Simek*



Jennifer Simek  
Borough Secretary/Treasurer