

LEETSDALE BOROUGH COUNCIL met in Regular Session at 7:00 pm on Thursday, January 12, 2017 in the Council Chambers

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Council President W. James; Councilors M. Nobers, T. Belcastro, L. Michael, J. Weatherby, J. McGurk and L. Jones

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor P. Poninsky; M. Turnbull, Esq., Goehring, Rutter and Boehm; D. Slagle, P.E., Nichols & Slagle Engineering, Inc.; Chief Raible, Leetsdale Police Department

REPORTS RECEIVED

MINUTES: December Workshop & Regular Sessions

TREASURER'S REPORTS: December

MOTION BY Mr. Belcastro to accept the following reports; December Workshop and Regular Session Minutes and the December Treasurer's Report, second by Ms. Michael

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

AUDIENCE ADDRESSING COUNCIL

Suzie Felcon, 11 Winding Road, Discussed the water run-off along Beaver Street at Winding Road.

Judy Felicion, 186 Broad Street, Advised Council that she attended the Edgeworth Water Authority Meeting on this day at 6:00 pm and discussed the Broad Street Water Project.

SOLICITOR

Megan Turnbull, Esq.

MOTION BY Mr. Belcastro to accept the policy to Ordinance No. 658 providing for Notice and Fines for Non-Traffic Violations, second by Mr. Belcastro

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION BY Mr. Belcastro change the yearly rental fee due date to January 31st after this year and the due date to June 1, 2017 for this year only and adjust due date by resolution in the future, second by Mr. Nobers

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

- Comcast Cable Franchise Agreement Proposal is still being prepared.

ENGINEER

Daniel B. Slagle, P.E.

- Review the Engineer's Monthly Report

1. Centerside Development Site Plan (Building # 803) – We have reviewed the Developers Agreement and the Developers Engineer's estimate for Bonding. We are currently prepapring the Bonding. We attended a joint meeting on December 22, 2016 to review project status.
2. Centerside Development (NOV) Site Plan – We attended a joint meeting on December 22, 2016 to review project/bonding status
3. Centerside Development Site Plan (Building 180) – We understand that occupancy has not been given to this building. We attended a joint meeting on December 22, 2016 to review project/bonding status and status of As-Built plans.
4. Centerside Development Site Plan (Building No 803) Grading Permit – the Developer is withdrawing the Grading Permit. We attended a joint meeting on December 22, 2016

5. Centerville development Pillar Pipe Grading Permit – We reviewed the grading permit for Pilled Pipe Site. The major issue is filling in the Floodplain. We attended a joint meeting on December 22, 2016.
6. Three rivers Trust Estate Sewer/Storm Sewer Project – the Developer has indicated that the project is being pulled.
7. Columbia/NiSource Gas Line Replacement – The Bonds should not be released until the road is overlaid.
8. Edgeworth Water Authority Waterline Replacement Project - The contractor is installing service lines. The next waterline replacement is Sycamore Spur. We will meet with Shawn Scott next week to establish bonding.
9. Broad Street Paving Project – the paving project is scheduled to start upon completion of the waterline. The contractor has agreed to hold his price until spring.
10. Washington Street ADA Sidewalk Project – We are completing the plans/specs for the first of a five phase project to replace the sidewalks on Washington Street with ADA sidewalks. We are waiting for executed Agreements from ADD/QVCOG
11. 2017 QVCOG/ACDD Grant Applications – We believe that this may be the last round of funding for this program. We have prepared the final Grant Applications which were submitted by the November 18, 2016 deadline.

QUESTIONS ON THE MOTION:

- Mayor Poninsky, will the grant money include new sidewalks and concrete pad for the gazebo? Mr. Slagle confirmed that the grant money will cover the sidewalks and the pad.
- Ms. Michael questioned the awarded amount at \$43,355, could the additional money be used towards the removal of the old gazebo? Mr. Slagle stated that he would review with COG
- Mr. Weatherby requested that the money provide picnic tables and benches and Mr. Slagle suggested that council re-channel funds appropriately; benches \$520 and tables \$850, since they are not currently included. .

MOTION BY Mr. Belcastro to accept the lowest bid with Sports and Recreation in the amount of \$38,479.00 to build a 20' diameter Gazebo in Henle Park, second by Mr. McGurk

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

12. DCNR Boat Launch Ramp Grant Application – We are currently designing the boat launch ramp project utilizing only the DCNR 50% Grant.
13. MS4 – The next Annual Progress Report is due May 30, 2018.

MOTION BY Mr. Weatherby to accept the Waste Landfill Tipping Bid with Brunner Landfill; first year bid of \$31,500 and will be for 2017 – 2019 with a three year bid of \$96,600.00, second by Mr. McGurk

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION BY Mr. Belcastro approved advertising for bids for the following possible 2017 paving projects to be opened at the February or March meeting; Sixth Street, Davis and Beach Streets and Beaver Street (Leet Street Bridge to Ambridge), second by Mr. McGurk

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

14. There will be meeting on January 24, 2017 in Moon Twp to discuss the construction of a hydroelectric plant at the Dashields Dam.

MAYOR'S REPORT**Peter A. Poninsky**

- Avelli completed the repairs at the Borough Building and Fire Department.
- Mr. Poninsky suggested that council allow a proclamation for Tim Budacki and it was agreed that Ms. Turnbull would assist.

FINANCE/BENEFITS**Wesley James, Chairperson**

MOTION BY Mr. Nobers to purchase an ad in the Allegheny County Boroughs Association Annual Yearbook in the amount of \$250.00, second by Mr. Weatherby
MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION, BENEFITS & PENSIONS**Mike Nobers, Chairperson**

MOTION BY Mr. Nobers to accept the Resolution to authorize the Borough to be a member of the PA Municipal Health Insurance Cooperative (PMHIC), second by Mr. Nobers
MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

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

- Mr. Weatherby reviewed the Fire Department's Monthly Report
- Police Chief Raible reviewed the Police Department's Monthly Report

STREET DEPARTMENT/BOROUGH PROPERTY**Joseph McGurk, Chairperson**

- Mr. McGurk discussed the water run-off issues along Davis and Winding Roads.
- Reviewed the options for purchasing a new high lift for the Borough Garage

PARKS & RECREATION**Lauren Jones, Chairperson**

- Nothing new to report this month

PLANNING, ZONING, CODE ENFORCEMENT & ORDINANCES**Tom Belcastro, Chairperson**

- Received the Monthly Code Enforcement Report by Jim Ivancik and the Monthly Building Inspection Report by Joe Luff
- Mr. Belcastro requested an updated tenant lists for the Leetsdale and Buncher Industrial Parks

NEW BUSINESS

- Statement of Financial Interests forms will be distributed and need to be returned to the Borough Office no later than May 1, 2017
- Received an Act 14 Municipal Notification for the Pillar Property located in the Leetsdale Industrial Park, Dan Slagle will reply to Lennon Smith Souleret Engineering, Inc. requesting further information before the Planning Commission reviews
- Following vacancies are remaining:
 - a) Recreation Board – 1 vacancy - Terms exp. 2020
 - b) Planning Commission – 1 vacancy – Term exp. 2023

OLD BUSINESS

- Estimates are needed for the proposed maintenance on the Michele Maruca Memorial Overpass
- Contact Jeff Weatherby if interested in joining the American Red Cross Community Shelter Team.
- The Leetsdale Fire Department and the American Red Cross are offering up to three smoke alarms per Leetsdale household free of charge.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Received Thank You Card from Mrs. Ford for the Christmas Gift
- State Senator Guy Reschenthaler is hosting a municipal roundtable for local elected officials and employees on Wednesday, January 18 at 10:30 AM located at 1000 Beaver Grade Rd, Moon. Mr. Weatherby and Mr. Poninsky will attend.
- The Allegheny County Boroughs Association Annual Banquet is February 4, 2017 at the Rivers Casino Ballroom. Mr. Belcastro, Mr. Poninsky and Mr. James will attend with spouses.

- Allegheny League of Municipalities Spring Educational Conference will be held at Seven Springs April 6-9. Deadline to register is March 27th. Mayor Poninsky and Ms. Simek will attend.

MOTION BY Mr. McGurk for Mayor Poninsky and Ms. Simek to attend the Allegheny League of Municipalities Spring Educational Conference, second by Mr. Belcastro
MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

LIST OF BILLS

MOTION BY Mr. Weatherby to accept the List of Bills, second by Mr. Belcastro
MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION BY Mr. McGurk to adjourn to executive session at 7:56 PM for personnel issue and litigation, second by Ms. Michael
MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION BY Mr. McGurk to return from executive session at 8:55 PM, second by Ms. Michael
MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY Mr. McGurk to adjourn at 8:55 PM, second by Ms. Michael
MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Simek



Jennifer Simek
Borough Secretary/Treasurer