**LEETSDALE BOROUGH COUNCIL** met in Regular Session at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, February 7, 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, L. Michael, J. Weatherby, J. McGurk and L. Jones

**EXCUSED:**  Councilor T. Belcastro

**ALSO PRESENT:** Mayor P. Poninsky

**REPORTS RECEIVED**

**TAX COLLECTOR’S REPORT:** December

**MINUTES:** January Workshop & Regular Sessions

**AUDIENCE ADDRESSING COUNCIL**

***Mary Kay Dschuhan, Beaver Street,*** confirmed the Borough is responsible for replacing the guiderail on the ramp to enter Route 65 North and discussed VFW concerns.

**SOLICITOR** **Megan Turnbull, Esq.**

* Motion to accept Ordinance No. 658, updated the due dates for the rental fees
* Motion to authorize solicitor to send letter to Keystone regarding Leetsdale BPT records
* Comcast Cable Franchise Agreement Proposal update

**ENGINEER** **Daniel B. Slagle, P.E.**

* Review the Engineer’s Monthly Report
* Paving Bids
* Henle Park Gazebo

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

* North Hills Community Outreach donated $200.00 to the food bank
* Motion to add Sworn In Officer Matthew Titmus to the part-time list

**FINANCE/BENEFITS Wesley James, Chairperson**

* Nothing new to report

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

* The Police Pension is being charge $795.05 for quarterly maintenance

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

* Review the Police Department’s and Fire Department’s Monthly Reports
* Mr. Weatherby attended Guy Reschenthaler roundtable on January 18th and some of the topics included; radar guns, new hires utilize a 457B instead of a pension plan, paper shredding event being held on June 3rd, Parks and Rec money available, discussed the Blood Work Bill and Child Abuse Language.

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

* Remaining trees will be removed from the Pillar Property for the Centerside Project by March 31, 2017
* Received Street Opening Permits from the Edgeworth Water Authority for openings that took place in 2016 and 2017 projects.
* Council discussed other openings in the Borough that are not properly filled.
* Council discussed the construction along Sycamore Spur and some damages that occurred to private property

**PARKS & RECREATION Lauren Jones, Chairperson**

* The Parks & Recreation Board will be meeting in the next two weeks to discuss a possible parks program and some ideas for new park equipment; new chains and seats for the swings.

**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
* Elite Towing located along Monroe Way, installed a sign without proper permits and zoning

**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 a packet from Lennon, Smith, Souleret Engineering, Inc. in regards to Pillar Pipe and the Floodplain Ordinance.
* Following vacancies are remaining:
1. Recreation Board – 1 vacancy - Terms exp. 2020
2. 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**

* The QVCOG Clean Water Initiative is partnering with Fern Hollow Nature Center to provide a Free Organic Lawn Care Program. The event will be held on Saturday, February 11th from 9:00 AM – 10:30 AM. Please register online and if you want attend, if a council member attends this would qualify as a MS4 participation.
* Mr. Poninsky and Ms. Simek will attend the Allegheny League of Municipalities Spring Educational Conference that will be held at Seven Springs April 6-9. The deadline to register is March 27, 2017.

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION BY Mr. Weatherby to adjourn at 8:00 PM, second by Ms. Michael

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully submitted,



**Jennifer Simek**

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Borough Secretary/Treasurer