

LEETSDALE BOROUGH COUNCIL met in Regular Session at 7:00 PM on Thursday, February 10, 2022 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 Ms. Lee; Councilors J. Weatherby, O. Awad, R. Nanni, M. Napolitano and W. James

EXCUSED: Councilor B. Carroll

ALSO, PRESENT: Mayor S. Ford; M. Turnbull, Esq., Weiss Burkardt and Kramer LLC; D. Slagle, P.E., Nichols & Sagle Engineering, Inc.; Police Chief D. Raible; Douglas Ford, Street Commissioner

REPORTS RECEIVED

TREASURER'S: December

MINUTES: January Reorganization Session

MOTION BY Mr. Weatherby to accept the December Treasurer's Report and the January Reorganization Minutes, second by Mr. Awad

MOTION CARRIES

- Ms. Napolitano provided an update on the Leet Township Zoning Hearing for the new Quaker Valley High School plan that concluded on Feb 9, 2022 was denied for not having emergency vehicles only access to the proposed property.

AUDIENCE ADDRESSING COUNCIL

Judy Felicion, 186 Broad Street, requested a Leetsdale Food Bank update from Mayor Ford. Mayor Ford advised that she obtained the required 501c3 with the Sewickley YMCA and will be ready to distribute food in March.

SOLICITOR

M. Turnbull, Esq.

MOTION BY Mr. Weatherby to adopt The Police Standard Operating Procedure Manual, second by Mr. Awad

MOTION CARRIES

- Ms. Turnbull advised on the process of obtaining vacant properties in the Borough and suggested a few programs that are available in Allegheny County to assist with the process.

ENGINEER

Dan Slagle, P.E.

- Mr. Slagle reviewed the Engineer's Monthly Report

MOTION BY Mr. Weatherby to accept the \$48,500 grant from the QVCOG/ACDD for the Henle Park ADA Parking/Sidewalk Project, second by Mr. Awad

MOTION CARRIES

MOTION BY Ms. Napolitano to authorize the Engineer to design the Henle Park ADA Parking/Sidewalk Project, second by Mr. Weatherby

MOTION CARRIES

MOTION BY Mr. James to award the Kohlmeyer Park ADA Parking Project to Swede Construction in the amount of \$27,150, second by Mr. Weatherby

Question on the Motion by Ms. Lee requesting the location of the project. Mr. Slagle stated that the pad is planned for where the break in the fence is located as you round the bend from Monroe Way.

MOTION CARRIES

- The 2019 housing demolition project at 240 Beaver Street is complete and the close-out documents are being finalized

MOTION BY Mr. Weatherby to make payment to Pugliano Construction for Estimate No. 1 in the amount of \$14,460.86 for the Route 65 project, second by Mr. Nanni

MOTION CARRIES

- The next MS4 Annual Status Report is due on September 30, 2022
- The Hussey Copper Emergency Access Road is still be researched
- The Quaker Valley High School Site Plan was not approved by the Leet Township Zoning Hearing Board
- The Washington Street Realignment Project will be advertised for accepting bids on March 10, 2022
- The Overpass Ramp Barrier Project will be advertised for accepting bids on March 10, 2022
- The Developer plans on submitting new site plan for the Buncher Building 27 to extend the existing Buncher Building 26

MOTION BY Mr. James to advertise for public bid the 2022 Paving Project, second by Mr. Weatherby

MOTION CARRIES

- Currently reviewing the Mike Maruka Memorial Bridge inspection report for recommendations to Council for their consideration
- Street Opening Permits have been issued to Columbia Gas for Valley Lane

MOTION BY Mr. James to authorize the Engineer to update the Borough's Construction Standards, second by Mr. Weatherby

MOTION CARRIES

- The 2021 Wasteload Management Reports as required by PaDEP for the Ambridge Borough Municipal Authority and the Leetsdale Borough Municipal Authority

MAYOR'S REPORT

Sandra J. Ford

MOTION BY Mr. Awad for Mayor Ford to attend the PSAB Conference in Hershey, May 22 – 25, 2022, second by Ms. Napolitano

MOTION CARRIES

- Mayor Ford is requesting any Resolutions that can be presented at the conference for consideration
- Mayor Ford provided a Food Bank updated during audience comments and questions

FINANCE/BUDGET/TAXES

Patricia Lee, Chairperson

MOTION BY Mr. Weatherby to adopt the amended 2022 General Fund Budget, second by Ms. Napolitano

Roll Call: Mr. Nanni, no; Mr. James, yes; Mr. Weatherby, yes; Mr. Awad, yes; Ms. Napolitano, yes

MOTION CARRIES

ORGANIZATION ADMINISTRATION

Maria Napolitano, Chairperson

- Ms. Napolitano gave an update on the PSAB NEMO training attended by Ms. Napolitano, Ms. Lee, and Mayor Ford

MOTION BY Ms. Napolitano to authorize a temporary increase in hours for the work on the website work from the ceiling of 5 hours per month to 10 hours per month, through April 2022, for the necessary website updates and modifications, with a report on progress provided at every council meeting, second by Mr. Weatherby

MOTION CARRIES

MOTION BY Ms. Napolitano to give permission to Ms. Napolitano to access the Borough Website, second by Mr. Nanni

Question on the Motion by Mr. James, is there a limit to who gets access to the website or is everyone getting passwords, Ms. Napolitano stated that this is only giving herself access at this time.

MOTION CARRIES

MOTION BY Ms. Napolitano to accept a draft of a policy to codify the role of the mayor in leading Leetsdale Food Pantry and have the Borough Solicitor review, second by Mr. Nanni

MOTION CARRIES

PUBLIC SAFETY/POLICE

Jeffery Weatherby, Chairperson

- Chief Raible reviewed the Police Department's monthly report

PUBLIC SAFETY/FIRE

Wesley James, Chairperson

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

STREET DEPARTMENT/BOROUGH PROPERTY

Osman Awad, Chairperson

MOTION BY Mr. Awad to accept the Mr. John rental contract to have a wheelchair accessible porta-potty placed at the boat launch from May to November, second by Mr. Nanni

MOTION CARRIES

- Mr. Awad advised that he is meeting with the highrise building manager to schedule a dinner for the residents

PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY

Roger Nanni, Chairperson

- The Sewickley Library will be hosting StoryWalk in Henle Park.
 - Spring – April 22 – May 15
 - Summer – June 19 – July 10
 - Back to School – August 7 – 28
 - Fall – September 25 – October 16
- Ms. Carroll and Ms. Lee are meeting with the 4th of July Committee on February 21, 2022 at 7:00 PM to discuss the plans for the 4th of July celebration

PLANNING/ZONING & CODE ENFORCEMENT

Maria Napolitano, Chairperson

- Ms. Napolitano reviewed the Building Inspection and the Code Enforcement Monthly Reports
- Ms. Napolitano advised that updated Borough Plans are needed to be submitted with the 2022 PA Dept of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) grant application
- Mr. Tim Hall, Planning Commission is working on a recommendation for Council's consideration for the property donation located at 240 Beaver Street

MOTION BY Ms. Napolitano to accept the recommendations of the Planning Commission to amend the Oil & Gas Ordinance based on the comments from Allegheny County and community members, second by Mr. James

MOTION CARRIES

OLD BUSINESS

- Two vacancies on the Recreation Board, both with terms ending 2024

CORRESPONDENCE

- Please complete the 2021 Ethic Form and return to the Borough Office by May 1, 2022

LIST OF BILLS

MOTION BY Mr. Weatherby to accept the List of Bills, second by Mr. Nanni
Abstained: Ms. Napolitano and Ms. Lee, received reimbursement for attending training
MOTION CARRIES

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY Mr. Weatherby to adjourn at 8:40 PM, second by Mr. Nanni
MOTION CARRIES

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Simek



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Borough Secretary/Treasurer