

**LEETSDALE BOROUGH COUNCIL** met in Workshop Session at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, December 10, 2019 in the Council Chambers.

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

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

#### **ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:** Council Acting President J. Weatherby; Councilors B. Fredrick, O. Awad, T. Belcastro, J. McGurk and T. Michael

**ALSO, PRESENT:** Mayor Peter Poninsky

**EXCUSED:** Councilor W. James

### **REPORTS RECEIVED**

**MINUTES:** November Special Meeting

**TREASURER'S:** November

### **AUDIENCE ADDRESSING COUNCIL**

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**Bob Kusnirak, Broad Street,** Mr. Kusnirak requested a rental fee update and was advised that an update would be provided on Thursday. Requested that the stop sign located at Main Street and Beaver Street be relocated to be able to observe the intersection and was advised that the location is on purpose due to trucks not being able to make the turn. The Welcome to Leetsdale sign located at Cross Street needs replaced due to the small size.

**Judy Felicion, 186 Broad Street,** neighbors walking their dogs and not picking up after their dogs and suggested more signage.

**Henrietta Kretzler, 343 Washington Street,** Ms. Kretzler disagreed with a fee schedule for the Borough Digital Sign and expressed concern with renting the sign to other organizations

### **SOLICITOR**

**M. Turnbull, Esq.**

- Ms. Turnbull will be working with Council on the Henle Park digital sign policy and a fee schedule.

### **ENGINEER**

**Dan Slagle, P.E.**

- Engineer's Monthly Report will be reviewed Thursday by Mr. Slagle
- Mr. Belcastro questioned the Demolition amount on the Draft List of Bills and will follow up with Jennifer Simek, Borough Secretary.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

**Peter A. Poninsky**

- No Public Safety Meeting held this month
- The Public Safety Meetings will be held on Thursdays starting next year
- Mr. Poninsky advised that he married Arron Nash and Daniel Metta November 25, 2019

### **FINANCE/BUDGETS**

**Wesley James, Chairperson**

- Motion to adopt the 2020 Proposed Budget
- Motion to advertise the 2020 Meeting Dates, please note that the Reorganization Meeting will be held on Monday, January 6, 2020 at 6:45 PM (this meeting will replace the workshop) Judge R. Ford will be in attendance to administer the Oath of Office to the re-elected and newly elected councilors
- Motion to transfer \$43,000 from the General Fund to the Capital Reserve Account before December 31, 2019; Police Department \$13,000, Fire Department \$16,000, Public Works \$12,000 and Office \$2,000.
- Motion to transfer the Liquid Fuels to reimburse the General Fund for Public Lighting, Street Signs and Line Painting before December 31, 2019 in the amount of \$31,156.91.

**ADMINISTRATION, BENEFITS & PENSIONS****Jeffery Weatherby, Chairperson**

- Motion to transfer the Police Reports Income from the General Fund to the Police Pension before December 31, 2019 in the amount of \$940.00
- Attended the EMC Quarterly Meeting today and was advised that the Borough will need to adopt three litigation plans and work on the plans with Amos Cameron

**PUBLIC SAFETY/POLICE & FIRE****Benjimen Frederick, Chairperson**

- Review the Police and Fire Departments' Monthly Reports
- Mr. Frederick advised council that the Borough Secretary does not receive a yearly bonus like the Public Works Department in the same amount as the other employees receive by contract

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

- Received the following estimate from Bartlett; Borough Building Property in the amount of \$1,530.00, Henle Park in the amount of \$1,740.00 and Kohlmeyer Park in the amount of \$863.00
- The overpass was inspected on August 10, 2019 and the total cost of all suggested repairs is \$16,477.00

**PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY****Osman Awad, Chairperson**

- Nothing new to report this month

**PLANNING, ZONING & CODE ENFORCEMENT****Thomas Michael, Chairperson**

- Review the Monthly Building Inspection Report by Brian Hill and the Monthly Code Enforcement Report by Jason Sarver.
- The Planning Commission met on November 26, 2019 and reviewed the following; The Buncher Co for a parking lot and Centerside Land Development along Brickworks Drive.

**ORDINANCES & TAX COLLECTION****Thomas Belcastro, Chairperson**

- Nothing new to report this month

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. Motion to accept the following reappointments
  - a. Henrietta Kretzler to the Planning Commission with a term ending 2026
  - b. Donna Fleig to the Vacancy Board Chairperson with a term ending 2022
2. Board Vacancy
  - a. Recreation Board with term ending December 31, 2020

**CORRESPONDENCE**

- Newly Elected Municipal Officials training is being offered by PSAB
- Bob Kusnirak requested the information for reporting a street light out and advised that the light on Avenue B and Ferry Street as well as Center Street and First Street have been out. Council advised that the Police Department handle and the lights mentioned will be passed along.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION BY** Mr. Frederick to adjourn at 7:27 PM, second by Mr. McGurk  
**MOTION CARRIES**

Respectfully submitted,

*Jennifer Simek*

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Borough Secretary/Treasurer

