

Exeter Borough Council  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
1101 Wyoming Ave  
February 4, 2014  
7:00 P.M.

Meeting called to order by Thomas Shannon. The meeting began with the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call

Members Present:

Mr. Morgan, Mr. Shannon, Mr. Dellegrotto, Mr. Turner, Mr. Pizano, Ms. Adams, Mr. Esposito, Mayor Coleman-Corcoran

Motion to approve the January 6, 2014 Council Meeting Minutes. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Turner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Treasurers Report provided by Debra Serbin.

Motion to accept the Treasurers Report as read. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Turner and unanimously carried.

Citizens Input (agenda items only) No public comments.

Correspondence: Letter from Luzerne County Council seeking support allowing the county to enact a 1% sales tax. Letter from WVSA announcing that they will accept credit cards effective January 2014 and cash will no longer be accepted as payment for the sewer bill after April 1, 2014.

Refuse Report – Lynda Hyzenski, report on file.

Recycling Report – Karen Szwast, absent no report.

Reports of Committees

Police – Joseph Esposito & Larry Dellegrotto: 273 calls for the month.

Finance & Insurance (Grants) – Joseph Esposito & Larry Dellegrotto: meeting to be held soon to monitor the budget.

Fire Department – Denise Adams & John Morgan: 50 responses year to date. Mr. Morgan reported updates on the borough web site.

Street/Recycling Departments – Richard Turner, Street Department is ready to plow and salt has been ordered.

Parks & Recreation – Joseph Pizano & Denise Adams: Nothing at this time.

Hicks Creek Maintenance – Richard Turner & Joseph Pizano: Nothing at this time.

Zoning – Larry Dellegrotto, Richard Turner & Joseph Pizano: Nothing at this time.

Building & Grounds – John Morgan & Joseph Pizano: Police entrance door needs replacing.

Remarks from Mayor Cassandra Coleman-Corcoran, reminds every one of the parking ban on Wyoming Ave during snow events.

Solicitors Report – Ray Hassey, will have the agreement for the 1<sup>st</sup> St. Sewer ready for the March meeting.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Motion to accept the prepaid bills in the amount of \$28,800.30. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Dellegrotto and unanimously carried.

Motion to close out the Exeter Borough Acquisition Fund II due to non-usage, in the amount of \$2,136.78 and transfer the money to the Exeter Borough General Fund. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Turner and unanimously carried.

Motion to transfer \$800,000 from the PNC Sewer Fund to the 1<sup>st</sup> National Sewer Fund. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Turner and unanimously carried.

Motion to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> Street Sewer Connection Agreement between Exeter and Wyoming Borough. Motion tabled.

Motion to ratify the January 27, 2014 hiring of Cliff Kosick of Schooley Ave as a part time as needed labor for the Street/Recycling Dept. at the current part time rate. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Turner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Esposito, Roll Call: Mr. Morgan – yes, Mr. Shannon – yes, Mr. Dellegrotto – yes, Mr. Turner – yes, Mr. Pizano – yes, Ms. Adams – yes, Mr. Esposito – yes.

Motion to add Richard Turner, as official check signer for all Exeter Borough accounts. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Dellegrotto, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Esposito and unanimously carried.

Motion authorizing Thomas Shannon, Richard Turner and Debra Serbin to execute on behalf of the Exeter Borough Council official documents pertaining to the Police and Non uniformed Pension Plans. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Dellegrotto, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Esposito and unanimously carried.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Motion to accept the current bills in the amount of \$138,142.94. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Dellegratto and unanimously carried with the exception of Mr. Turner who abstained on all Stackhouse Electric bills due to a family relationship.

Motion to amend the Exeter Borough Interim Rules of Order For Public Meetings, originally adopted at the regular meeting of Council October 1, 2013, as follows:

Miscellaneous:

- a) Smart phone use: Council members and/or Mayor shall not engage in the use of smart phones or other electronic means of communicating for the purpose of communicating with other members of Council or the Mayor during a public meeting of Council

1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Turner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Esposito, Roll Call: Mr. Morgan – yes, Mr. Shannon – yes, Mr. Dellegratto – yes, Mr. Turner – yes, Mr. Pizano – yes, Ms. Adams – yes, Mr. Esposito – yes.

Motion to approve the agreement for auditing services from Rainey & Rainey Certified Public Accounts for the year 2013 at a cost not to exceed \$3,850.00. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Turner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Open to the Public:

Rene Valenti of Anthracite St. asked if the council has any information on the gaming grant that was submitted to correct the water problem in front of her home. Mr. Shannon said at this time the request for funds to correct the problem is up against many others and may not be funded at this time.

Mr. & Mrs. Benish of 501 Roosevelt St. asked council to look into the change of use for the business located at R99 Slocum Ave. Mr. Pepe the zoning officer will address this matter.

Mrs. Hatrack of Sullivan St. asked Council to remind residents that snow is not to be thrown into the street.

Mr. Ed Buffalino of 20 Tunkhannock Ave. would like the police and the zoning officer to look into a car repair business that has many unregistered vehicles on the property.

Adjournment, 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Pizano and unanimously carried.

Prepared and submitted by Debra Serbin