

# Exeter Borough Council

Regular Monthly Meeting  
1101 Wyoming Ave  
October 6, 2015  
7:30 P.M.

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

Roll Call – Member Present,  
Mr. Shannon, Mr. Dellegrotto, Mr. Turner, Mr. Morgan, Mr. Esposito, Ms. Adams, Mr. Pizano, Mayor Castellani

Motion to approve the September 1, 2015 and September 16, 2015 Council Meeting Minutes. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Turner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Dellegrotto and unanimously carried.

Treasurers Report provided by Debra Serbin  
Motion to accept the Treasurers Report as read. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Turner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Dellegrotto and unanimously carried.

Citizens input (agenda items only) No public comments.

Correspondence: Council was in executive session tonight at 7 P.M. to discuss a personnel matter.

Letter from the Exeter Borough Lions Club asking permission to close Lincoln St. on November 29, 2015 for a Christmas tree lighting ceremony in the Lions Park.

Letter from Luzerne County Flood Protection Authority informing us that they will host a flood fighting training class on October 21, 2015 at the Luzerne County EMA building.

Letter from Harold Ash of PennEastern Engineering asking Council permission to start the full project field survey/design work for the Sanitary and Storm Sewer improvements on Stevens Lane, Bennett St. and Jesse Street at an engineering cost estimate of \$100,000.

Motion to close Lincoln St. on November 29, 2015 so the Exeter Borough Lions Club can have a Christmas tree lighting ceremony. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Turner, Roll Call; Mr. Morgan – yes, Mr. Shannon – yes, Mr. Dellegrotto – yes, Mr. Turner – yes, Mr. Pizano – yes, Ms. Adams – yes, Mr. Esposito – yes.

Motion authorizing Harold Ash of PennEastern to perform the full field survey/design work for the Sanitary and Storm improvements on Stevens Lane, Bennett St. and Jesse Street at an engineering cost estimate of \$100,000. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Dellegrotto and unanimously carried.

Refuse Report – Lynda Hyzenski, report on file.

Recycling Report – Karen Szwast, report on file.

Motion for Karen Szwest to apply for a 904 Recycling Grant for a new roof at the Recycling Center and an electric opener for the existing gate at Recycling Center and engineering totals \$155,897.00. Ms. Szwest fee for the grant if successful will be \$7,795.00 payable for the General Fund. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Dellegratto and unanimously carried.

#### Reports of Committees

Police – Joseph Esposito & Larry Dellegratto: 316 calls for the month.

Finance & Insurance (Grants) – Joseph Esposito & Larry Dellegratto: Budget is on target.

Fire Department – Denise Adams & John Morgan: Year to Date calls 270. Monthly financial report is on file.

Street/Recycling Departments – Richard Turner, Street Sweeping will be this coming Friday.

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

Hicks Creek Maintenance – Richard Turner & John Morgan: A large tree fell in Hicks Creek and it has since been removed and the invoice sent to the insurance carrier.

Zoning – Larry Dellegratto, Richard Turner & Joseph Pizano – received application for exploratory coal mining work on Slocum Ave.

Building & Grounds – John Morgan & Joseph Pizano: Nothing at this time.

Remarks from Mayor Castellani, working with the Zoning Officer to clean up the town.

Solicitors Report – Ray Hassey: Explained the Tunkhannock Ave Sewer Hookup Agreement with W. Pittston and the Street Numbering Ordinances.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Motion to accept the prepaid bills in the amount of \$28,113.36. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Turner and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept the Memorandum of Understanding between Exeter Borough and the Fraternal Order of Police, Wyoming Valley Lodge No. 36, establishing a Section 105 Medical Expense Reimbursement Plan. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Dellegratto, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Turner and unanimously carried.

Motion to adopt Ordinance #3-2015 authorizing Exeter Borough to enter into an inter-Municipal Agreement with the Borough of West Pittston for the purpose of a Joint

Sanitary Sewer Construction Project on Tunkhannock Ave and Packer Street in Exeter Borough. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Motion to adopt Ordinance #4-2015, an ordinance to provide standards for the naming of streets; fabrication, erection and maintenance of street name signs and establishing a street address numbering system. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Turner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Dellegrotto and unanimously carried.

Motion to ratify the September 9, 2015 hiring of Christina Smith of Mt. Lookout, Exeter as a part time as needed School Crossing Guard. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Turner and unanimously carried.

Motion to ratify the September 14, 2015 hiring of William Lever of Harland Street, Exeter as a part time as needed School Crossing Guard. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Turner and unanimously carried.

Motion to ratify the September 24, 2015 hiring of Macson McGuirk of Church Street, Nanticoke as an Part Time as needed Patrolman for Exeter Borough. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Turner and unanimously carried.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Motion to accept the current bills in the amount of \$174,698.36. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Turner, Roll Call; Mr. Morgan – yes, with the exception of the Clark Hill and Donald Karpowich invoices, Mr. Shannon – yes, Mr. Dellegrotto – yes, Mr. Turner – yes, Mr. Pizano – yes, with the exception of the Clark Hill invoice, Ms. Adams – yes, with the exception of the Clark Hill and Donald Karpowich invoices, Mr. Esposito – yes.

Motion to accept the 2016 MMO for the Police Pension Plan in the amount of \$0. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Turner and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept the 2016 MMO for the Non-uniform Pension Plan in the amount of \$12,011.00. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Open to the Public: Mr. Bob Trusavage asked about the age of the roof at the Recycling Center. The building was erected in the 1998.

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

Prepared and submitted by Debra Serbin