

Exeter Borough Council
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

June 5, 2018

7:00 P.M.

Meeting called to order by Council Chairman Richard Murawski. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Atty. Hassey noted that Council meet in Executive Session tonight at 6PM for a personnel matter.

Mayor Adam named Jack Brogan as the, "Person of the Month".

Mark Anthony Minichello was recognized by Council for achieving high awards in track and field.

Roll Call: Present: Mr. Morgan, Mr. Balent, Ms. DeRoberto, Mr. Dellegrotto, Mr. Esposito, Mr. Pizano, Mr. Murawski, Mayor Adams

Motion to approve the May 1, 2018 Council Meeting Minutes. 1st Ms. DeRoberto, 2nd Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Treasurer Report provided by Debra Serbin

Motion to accept the Treasurers Report. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Esposito and unanimously carried.

Citizens Input (agenda items only) No public input

Correspondence – No correspondence

Refuse Report– Lynda Hyzenski, report on file.

Reports of Committees

Police – Joseph Esposito, Larry Dellegrotto & Betty Ann DeRoberto. Call for the month are 219.

Finance & Insurance (Grants) Larry Dellegrotto, Joseph Esposito and Betty Ann DeRoberto. The 2018 budget is in line. The recycling income is down.

Fire Department – John Morgan & Joseph Pizano – 441 calls year to date. Report on file.

Zoning – Joseph Pizano & Larry Dellegrotto –Report on file.

Street/Recycling –Betty Ann DeRoberto & David Balent – pothole patching is continuing.

Hicks Creek – Joseph Pizano, John Morgan & David Balent – fallen tree in creek needs to be removed.

Parks & Recreation – Betty Ann DeRoberto & John Morgan – Wilson St. Playground is surrounded by construction material due to the reconstruction of Lehigh St.

Remarks from Mayor Adams – working on the June block party.

Solicitors Report – Attorney Hassey, nothing at this time.

UNFINISHER BUSINESS

Motion to accept the prepaid bills in the amount of \$117,132.01. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Motion to award the hiring of Hawk Valley Associates PC to prepare a Community Strategic Comprehensive Plan and Visioning Services with Exeter Proud in the amount of \$25,000 subject to the Borough Solicitor approval of the Professional Services Agreement with funding from the PA DCED grant and Borough matching funds. 1st Mr. Dellegrotto, 2nd Mr. Esposito and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept pay application #2 from Leeward Construction in the amount of \$69,389.55 for the Bennett, Jesse and Stevens Street Sanitary and Sewer Project, Phase 1, as approved by PennEastern Engineering. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept Pay Request #1 from Sikora Brothers Paving in the amount of \$53,665.38 for the Lehigh St. Pave and Drainage Project as approved by PennEastern Engineering. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Motion to hire Personal Strength and Conditioning Professionals to perform the physical agility tests for Civil Service hiring. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Motion authorizing the hiring of McCann Associates to administer the written and oral exams for the Police Civil Service hiring process. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Pizano and unanimously carried.

Motion to approve the agreement between Keystone Automotive Operation, Inc., KAO Warehouse, Inc. and A&A Auto Parts Stores, Inc. and Exeter Borough resolving the tax appeal reimbursement issues and Exeter Borough's obligations in regards to the years, 2015, 2016 and 2017. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Dellegrotto and unanimously carried.

Motion to ratify the May 30, 2018 hiring of Scott Hughes of Exeter, PA as a Part Time as needed Street/Recycling Laborer at a rate of \$9.00 up to 32 hours per week. 1st Mr. Balent, 2nd Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept the resignation of William Harden as Exeter Borough Police Commissioner effective May 25, 2018. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Balent and unanimously carried.

Motion to award the bid to Krasavage Construction in the amount of 364,556.00 for the Susquehanna Ave Sanitary/Storm Sewer Project. 1st Ms. DeRoberto, 2nd Mr. Esposito and unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to accept the current bills in the amount of \$342,748.71. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Balent and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept Resolution #8-2018 authorizes the submission of a Luzerne County Office of Community Development application for capital improvement projects on Schooley Ave. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Motion to waive the requirement under Ordinance No. 2-2016 that a license fee be paid by Wyoming Area Foundation/Exeter Events, a non-profit entity, for the block party event planned for June 30, 2018. The license will still be required. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Balent and unanimously carried.

Motion to hire John Urbanski of Nanticoke, PA as a Part Time as needed Police Officer. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Balent and unanimously carried.

Open to the Public

Elana Hollaren of Aster Ct. asked if the Council is aware that W. Pittston is researching an inflatable dam to eliminate flooding in W. Pittston. Council will be involved in the discussion so that Exeter Borough is not going to be effected if they do get an inflatable dam.

Sue Brown of Bennett St. asked is Stevens Lane will be included in the current work being done in Bennett and Jesse St. Council informed her that Stevens Lane will not be done at this time.

Also, she informed the Council that residents are dumping grass clipping in Hicks Creek.

Council will address the matter with the residents.

Carman Nardozi of Penn Ave asked questions on the current fire ordinance. Atty. Hassey will research the matter.

Joanne Shiner of Donna Way said there is a tree blocking the Hicks Creek channel. Council is working on removing the tree.

Adjournment, Mr. Balent

Prepared and submitted by Debra Serbin