

Exeter Borough Council Meeting
June 2, 2020
12:00 Noon

Meeting called to order by Council Chairman Joseph Pizano.

This meeting was held on Zoom. It is noted that this meeting has been rescheduled from June 2, 2020 at 7 PM to June 2, 2020 at 12:00 Noon. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic no public will be allowed in the building for the meeting. The meeting's agenda was posted on the Borough's web page. The public was given the opportunity to question or comment by e-mail by Monday, June 1, 2020 at 3:00 PM.

Roll Call: Mr. Morgan, Mr. Balent, Mr. Marranca, Mr. Murawski , Mr. Pizano, Ms. DeAngelo, Mr. Esposito, Mayor Adams.

Person of the Month – no person of the month.

Motion to approve the May 5 and May 18, 2020 Council Meeting Minutes. 1st Mr. Balent, 2nd Ms. DeAngelo and unanimously carried.

Treasurers Report- Motion to accept the Treasurers Report as read. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Marranca and unanimously carried.

Citizens Input (agenda items only) No public input.

Correspondence – letter from West Pittston Council requesting a meeting to discuss the school crossing guards. Exeter Borough will coordinate a meeting with West Pittston to discuss the matter.

Refuse Report – Lynda Hyzenski – report on file.

Recycling Report – no report.

Reports of committees

Police – John Morgan, David Balent & Carmen Marranca – calls for service in May were 283.

Finance & Insurance (Grants) Lori DeAngelo, John Morgan & Richard Murawski
The finance committee will meet this week to review the finances and the effect the pandemic is having on the Borough's budget.

Fire Department – Carmen Marranca, John Morgan & Richard Murawski
The station has again been cleaned and sanitized as a precaution during the Pandemic.

Street/Recycling Departments – David Balent & John Morgan

The Street Department Union contract expires August 14, 2020 and Council will meet to discuss the new contract.

Parks & Recreation – Lori DeAngelo, Carmen Marranca & Joseph Esposito
Work has been done at the Nature Park and the Kiwanis Club did a cleanup at McKenna's Park.

WVSA Report – John Morgan – Report on file.

Zoning – David Balent, Richard Murawski & Lori DeAngelo – Nothing at this time.

Hicks Creek – David Balent & Richard Murawski – the beavers are still building dams in Hicks Creek. Atty. Hassey to send a letter to the Game Commission to ask for assistance.

Building & Grounds – Richard Murawski & Joseph Esposito
A tree is growing in the chimney on the roof and needs to be removed.

Remarks from Mayor Denise Adams, notified Council of quad activity in the black desert. Atty. Hassey will send a letter to the property owner to ask them to put up barriers so the quads cannot enter the property.

Solicitors Report – Ray Hassey, the Street Department contract negotiations will be starting soon.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Motion to extend the probation period for Scott Hughs until December 31, 2020. 1st Mr. Balent, 2nd Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept the prepaid bills in the amount of \$26,971.65. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Marranca and unanimously carried.

Motion to award the Refuse Collection Contract to Waste Management for 3 years, at a bid price of \$892,872.00. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Esposito and unanimously carried.

Motion to ratify the 1 year purchase of Zoom Conferencing for Exeter Borough meeting during the COVID – 19 pandemic at a total cost of \$317.79. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Esposito and unanimously carried.

Motion to ratify the award for the Schooley Avenue Storm Sewer Rehabilitation Project to Krasavage Construction in the amount of \$19,343.00 payable from the General Fund and to be reimbursed by the WVSA Stormwater Saving Fund. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Murawski and unanimously carried.

Motion to approve Change Order #2 – Final (a decrease in quantities) for the Stevens Lane, Bennett Street and Jesse Street Sanitary and Storm Sewer Project – Phase 1 for a decrease of \$26,225.00. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Balent and unanimously carried.

Motion to approve Pay Application #8 (final) to Leeward Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$22,610.73 for the Stevens Lane, Bennett Street and Jesse Street Sanitary and Storm Sewer Project – Phase 1. The release of payment is conditioned upon the satisfactory review of the final punch list items by the Borough Engineer. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Esposito and unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to approve the current bills in the amount of \$156,900.31. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Marranca and unanimously carried.

Motion to enter into a lease agreement with Topp Copy for a copier for the police department. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Marranca and unanimously carried.

Motion to to authorize the Borough Engineer to prepare the necessary documents and to obtain quotes for the McCawley Court Trench Pave Restoration Project payable from the Exeter Borough Street/Sidewalk Fund. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Marranca and unanimously carried.

Motion to award the McCawley Court Trench Pave Restoration Project to the lowest responsible bidder conditioned upon the review of the submitted bids by the Borough Engineer and the Borough Solicitor. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Marranca and unanimously carried.

Motion authorization the Borough Engineer to prepare the final plans and necessary bid/contract documents and to advertise the Sullivan Street Sanitary Sewer Improvement project for public bidding. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Murawski and unanimously carried.

Open to the Public, Carman Nardozi of 131 Penn Ave spoke about speeding on Penn Ave and quads driving in the black desert. The Exeter Police Department will monitor the situation.

Adjournment, 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Esposito and unanimously carried.

Prepared and submitted by Debra Serbin