

Exeter Borough Council
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
October 1, 2019
7:00 P.M.

Meeting called to order by Council Chairman Richard Murawski.

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

Absent; Mr. Dellegrotto

Atty. Hassey noted that Council meet in Executive Session tonight at 6PM to address a personnel matter and a legal matter and meet with the borough auditor to discuss the audit.

Persons of the Month, James, Elizabeth and Martin Turner

Motion to approve the September 3, 2019 Council Meeting Minutes. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Pizano and unanimously carried.

Treasurer Report provided by Debra Serbin

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

Citizens Input (agenda items only) No public input.

Correspondence – A letter from the Wyoming Area Football Parents Association requesting permission and traffic control for the annual parade and bonfire.

A letter from Luzerne County Convention and Visitors Bureau pertaining to raising awareness on the litter problem in Northeast Pennsylvania.

Motion granting permission to the Wyoming Area Football Association to hold a parade and bonfire on October 23, 2019. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Refuse Report– Lynda Hyzenski, report on file.

Recycling Report – Renee Pizano, absent, report on file.

Lincoln Park Drainage Report. Mr. Balent –Nothing at this time.

Reports of Committees

Police – Joseph Esposito, Joseph Pizano. 275 service calls for the month.

Finance & Insurance (Grants) Larry Dellegrotto, Joseph Esposito. The budget is in line. Exeter Borough's Liquid Fuels for 2020 is \$168,094.00.

Fire Department – John Morgan, Joseph Pizano & Lori DeAngelo – Calls year to date 701. Report on file.

Street/Recycling –David Balent – The Street Department is finishing up street projects.

WVSA Report – John Morgan, read the WVSA report for the month. The report is on file.

Parks & Recreation –John Morgan & Lori DeAngelo – A park walkthrough has been completed and a plan will be developed for next year. Lowe’s will be helping the borough with the Wilson Street Park.

Hicks Creek – Joseph Pizano, John Morgan & David Balent – The creek has been inspected and everything went well.

Zoning – Larry Dellegrotto and Joseph Pizano. Report on file. A hearing is scheduled for the property on Donna’s Way.

Mayors Report – Handicap signs are needed on Orchard and Valley Streets.

Motion to erect a handicap sign at 113 Valley St and Orchard St. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Balent and unanimously carried.

Motion to reschedule the November meeting from November 5th to November 12, 2019. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Esposito, Roll Call; Mr. Morgan – yes, Mr. Balent – no, Mr. Murawski – yes, Mr. Pizano – no, Ms. DeAngelo – yes, Mr. Esposito – yes.

Solicitors Report - Ray Hassey – Nothing at this time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Motion to accept the prepaid bills in the amount of \$31,721.96. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Motion to approve pay application #2 from Krasavage Construction in the amount of \$67,090.94 for the Exeter Avenue Storm Sewer Project as approved by PennEastern Engineering. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Balent and unanimously carried.

Motion to approve Ordinance #4-2019 the Offensive Noise Ordinance as advertise. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Ms. DeAngelo and unanimously carried.

Motion to adopt Resolution # 8 of 2019 declaring the Unlawful Distribution of Prescription Controlled Substances a Public Nuisance and Public Health and Safety Crisis. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Balent and unanimously carried.

Motion to approve contingency fee agreement between Exeter Borough and Baron & Budd, PC and Fellerman & Ciarimboli Law, PC, to pursue any claims Exeter Borough may have in regards to litigation against drug manufacturers in connection with the opioid crisis. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Ms. DeAngelo and unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to approve the current bills in the amount of \$178,670.33.1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Balent and unanimously carried.

Open to the Public:

Ron Rome of 1009 Wyoming Ave asked who is eligible to participate in the Non-Uniformed Pension Plan. Atty. Hassey said he would have to research the matter.

Martha Zavada of 101 Jean Street asked about the new noise ordinance. She was told the ordinance was advertised in the local newspaper.

Ms. Pat Morgan of 139 Lincoln Street spoke about speed limit signs on the street. The street department will put up signs.

Mr. Robert Smith of 155 Mason Street spoke about a large tower of pallets at the pallet business on Slocum Ave. He thinks it's a fire hazard. The Fire Chief will be made aware of the matter.

Adjournment, Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Pizano and unanimously carried.

Prepared and submitted by Debra Serbin