

Exeter Borough Council

Regular Monthly Meeting
1101 Wyoming Ave
June 2, 2015
7:00 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 Mr. Pizano, Ms. Adams, Mayor Castellani

Andy Zahorsky from Luzerne County 911 Center – presentation about street number conflicts.

Motion to approve the May 5, 2015 Council Meeting Minutes. 1st Mr. Turner, 2nd Mr. Dellegrotto and unanimously carried.

Treasurers Report provided by Debra Serbin
Motion to accept the Treasurers Report as read. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Turner and unanimously carried.

Citizens input (agenda items only) No public comments.

Correspondence: Letter from WWSA requesting permission to stencil storm drains in Exeter Borough. The stencil would say “No Dumping, Drains to River.
Letter from State Representative Arron Kaufer request the use of the Borough Building the last Friday of each month as a satellite office.
Invitation to golf tournament from J. P. Mascaro and Sons.

Refuse Report – Lynda Hyzenski, report on file.

Recycling Report – Karen Szwast, report on file.

Reports of Committees

Police – Joseph Esposito & Larry Dellegrotto: 287 calls for the month.

Finance & Insurance (Grants) – Joseph Esposito & Larry Dellegrotto: The Finance Committee will be meeting soon to determine if the Borough can finance a street sweeper and vac machine.

Fire Department – Denise Adams & John Morgan: Ms. Adams wants everyone to be safe on the 4th of July and to sure that the person setting off fireworks is qualified. Mr. Morgan has the financial report from the fire company.

Street/Recycling Departments – Richard Turner, will be looking into purchasing a street sweeper/vac machine.

Parks & Recreation – Joseph Pizano & Denise Adams: Lehigh St. Playground needs mulch and the equipment needs painted.

Hicks Creek Maintenance – Richard Turner & John Morgan: Nothing at this time.

Zoning – Larry Dellegratto, Richard Turner & Joseph Pizano: Mr. Dellegratto stated that there are two property owners that are appealing the conditions set forth by the Zoning Board.

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

Remarks from Mayor Castellani, The Mayor will work on a grant to get camera's to use in areas that have illegal dumping. Also riding around town with the Zoning Officer to address blighted properties in Exeter Borough.

Solicitors Report – Ray Hassey: Nothing at this time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Motion to accept the prepaid bills in the amount of \$28,324.69. 1st Mr. Turner, 2nd Mr. Pizano and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept Ordinance # 2- 2015, the Pave Cut Ordinance for Exeter Borough, as advertised. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Turner and unanimously carried.

Motion to ratify the May 13, 2015, transfer of the Galli arbitration matter from Joseph Rudolf of Dilworth Paxton LLP to Joseph Rudolf of Clark Hill LLP for labor and employment matters. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Dellegratto, Roll Call; Mr. Morgan – no, Mr. Shannon – yes, Mr. Dellegratto – yes, Mr. Turner – yes, Mr. Pizano – no, Ms. Adams – no, Mr. Esposito – yes.

Motion authorizing and directing Council Chairman, Thomas Shannon to sign the proper paperwork and submit to Luzerne County Office of Community Development for the CDBG funds associated with the Susquehanna Ave North Phase 1 project, in the amount of \$75,000.00. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Turner and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept pay request #2 from Sikora Brothers in the amount of \$357,912.00 for the Susquehanna Ave North Phase 1 project, payable from the 1st National Sewer Fund as approved by Harold Ash of PennEngineering. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Turner and unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to accept the current bills in the amount of \$61,121.15. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Dellegratto, Roll Call; Mr. Morgan – yes, with the exception of the Dilworth Paxton and

Donald Karpowich invoices, Mr. Shannon – yes, Mr. Dellegrotto – yes, Mr. Turner – yes, Mr. Pizano – yes, with the exception of the Dilworth Paxton invoice, Ms. Adams – yes, with the exception of the Dilworth Paxton and Donald Karpowich invoices, Mr. Esposito – yes.

Motion for Chief John McNeil to apply for a COP’S Grant for Exeter Borough. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Dellegrotto, Roll Call; Mr. Morgan – yes, Mr. Shannon – yes, Mr. Dellegrotto – yes, Mr. Turner – yes, Mr. Pizano – yes, Ms. Adams – yes, Mr. Esposito – yes.

Open to the Public: Mr. Dellegrotto informed the public of his research on single stream recycling. Mrs. Mary Pat Coleman of 1309 Wyoming Ave asked that the public be educated if the borough is to go single stream recycling.

Mr. Ron Rome of 1009 Wyoming Ave wanted to know if the Council considered installing a time clock. Mr. Shannon said in the past the Council has looked into a time clock.

Ms. Elana Holleran of 101 Aster Court discussed littering on Packer Ave.

Mr. Joseph Malone of 141 Mason St. wanted to know why his taxes went up. He was informed that Exeter Borough has not raised taxes.

Adjournment, 1st Mr. Esposito and unanimously carried.

Prepared and submitted by Debra Serbin