

Exeter Borough Council Meeting
September 1, 2020
Zoom Meeting
7:00 PM

Meeting called to order by Council Chairman Joseph Pizano.

This meeting was held on Zoom. 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 or calling and asking for the Zoom log in information by Monday, August 31, 2020 at 3:00 PM.

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

Person of the Month – no person of the month.

Motion to approve the August 4th and August 17, 2020 Council Meeting Minutes. 1st Mr. Balent, 2nd Mr. Marranca and unanimously carried.

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

Citizens Input (agenda items only) No public input.

Correspondence – Letter from Exeter resident pertaining to the public display of the Confederate Flag and back the blue flags and signs in order for all citizens' to feel safe and equal protection and representation.

Refuse Report – Lynda Hyzenski – report on file.

Recycling Report – Renee Pizano - report on file.

Reports of committees

Police – John Morgan, David Balent & Carmen Marranca – calls for service in July were 271. New Police policies will be reviewed by Atty. Hassey.

Finance & Insurance (Grants) Lori DeAngelo, John Morgan & Richard Murawski
A finance meeting was held to discuss the funding for Sullivan St.

Fire Department – Carmen Marranca, John Morgan & Richard Murawski
The Fire Company has requested a meeting to discuss the aging fire truck.

Street/Recycling Departments – David Balent & John Morgan

Pot hole patching and grass cutting is underway.

Parks & Recreation – Lori DeAngelo, Carmen Marranca & Joseph Esposito
The dedication of the DeRoberto Park will take place on September 27, 2020 at 1PM..

WVSA Report – John Morgan – Report on file. WVSA will be in town doing street sweeping.

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

Hicks Creek – David Balent & Richard Murawski – The beavers in Hicks Creek seem to be under control. Sediment buildup in the creek will require maintenance.

Building & Grounds – Richard Murawski & Joseph Esposito
Nothing at this time.

Remarks from Mayor Denise Adams, absent.

Solicitors Report – Ray Hassey, the Street Department contract is in negotiations.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Motion to accept the prepaid bills in the amount of \$22,647.89. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Ms. DeAngelo and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept Resolution #11-2020 requesting a Multimodal Transportation Fund grant in the amount of \$331,700.00 to be used for the Susquehanna Avenue Improvement Project from Traylor Street North to Barber Street. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Balent and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept Resolution # 12–2 020 confirming application for the 2021 fiscal year CDBG funds in the amount of \$620,400.00. 1st Mr. Balent, 2nd Ms. DeAngelo and unanimously carried.

Motion to approve the Ordinance for the Luzerne County DUI Task Force. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Balent and unanimously carried.

Motion to approve the agreement with Luzerne County for inclusion in the DUI Task Force. 1st Mr. Marranca, 2nd Ms. DeAngelo and unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to approve the current bills in the amount of \$165,525.86. 1st Mr. Marranca, 2nd Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept the 2021 MMO (Minimum Municipal Obligation) for the Police Pension Plan in the amount of \$'0'. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Balent and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept the 2021 MMO (Minimum Municipal Obligation) for the Exeter Borough Non uniform Pension Plan in the amount of \$14,156.00. 1st Ms. DeAngelo, 2nd Mr. Murawski and unanimously carried.

Motion authorizing and directing the Borough Manager to execute and deliver to Luzerne County a certification and request for payment on behalf of Exeter Borough under the COVID – 19 Relief Block Grant. Mr. Morgan, 2nd Ms. DeAngelo and unanimously carried.

Open to the Public, Ron Rome of 1009 Wyoming Ave asked about the zoom video being posted to the web page. The Web Master is in the process of uploading the videos to the web page. He asked about participation in the pension plan and Atty. Hassey to address.

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

Prepared and submitted by Debra Serbin