Exeter Borough Council Meeting February 4, 2020 7:00 PM

Meeting called to order by Council Chairman Joseph Pizano.

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

Council was in executive session today at 6:30 PM to discuss a legal matter.

Person of the Month – no person of the month.

Motion to approve the January 6, 2020 Council Meeting Minutes. 1st Mr. Morgan, 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 – Pittston Chamber of Commerce Mid-Winter Breakfast Meeting. Invitation to participate in the Pittston St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Refuse Report – Lynda Hyzenski – Report on file.

Recycling Report – Report on file.

Reports of committees

Police – John Morgan, David Balent & Carmen Marranca - The Police Committee had a meeting on January 13; 2020. The next Civil Service meeting will be in March.

Finance & Insurance (Grants) Lori DeAngelo, John Morgan & Richard Murawski

Motion to transfer \$190,000.00 from the M&T Sewer Fund to the FNCB Sewer Fund for bill payments. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Balent and unanimously carried.

Fire Department – Carmen Marranca, John Morgan & Richard Murawski Calls year to date 79. Report on file.

Street/Recycling Departments – David Balent & John Morgan Received a Recycling Grant for a new packer and working with the COG for a paver. Parks & Recreation – Lori DeAngelo, Carmen Marranca & Joseph Esposito Trees need to be cut in the DeRoberto Park. and Musto Park.

WVSA Report – John Morgan – Report on file.

Zoning – David Balent, Richard Murawski & Lori DeAngelo – Report on file.

Building & Grounds – Richard Murawski & Joseph Esposito A gutter at the street department building need to be repaired.

Remarks from Mayor Denise Adams, she would like Council to look into the timing of the traffic lights on Wyoming Ave.

Solicitors Report – Ray Hassey, nothing at this time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Motion to accept the prepaid bills in the amount of \$27, 956.18. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Marranca and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept Ordinance 2-2020 Planning Commission Revisions increasing the Planning Commission Members from 5 to 7 members. 1st Mr. Balent, 2nd Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Motion to authorize Atty. Hassey to advertise for a new ordinance repealing Chapter 97 of the Borough Code of Ordinances, and replacing same with a new ordinance establishing licensing requirements and regulations for vendors, peddlers, solicitors, itinerant businesses and transient retail businesses. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Balent and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept the 902 Recycling grant agreement in the amount of \$260,808.00 for the purchase of a recycling truck. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Balent and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept Resolution #3-2020 authorizing Council Chairman Joseph Pizano to sign the Department of Transformation Highway occupancy Permit on behalf of Exeter Borough. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Balent and unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to approve the current bills in the amount of \$111,852.92. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Marranca and unanimously carried.

Motion to authorize Renee Pizano to apply for a COP's Grant on behalf of the Exeter Borough Police Department. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Balent and unanimously carried with the exception of Mr. Pizano who abstained.

Open to the Public

Martha Zavada of 101 Jean Street requested a copy of the, Noise Ordinance. The Manager will mail her a copy.

Larry Marchetti of 273 Harland St. asked if there is a conflict of interest if Council member serve on the Planning Commission. Atty. Hassey said he has researched the matter and it is permitted under the Borough Code. He asked for an update on 1125 Wyoming Ave. The Borough is waiting on grant money to demolish the building. He asked who was named as Engineers for Exeter Borough. Mr. Pizano said that PennEastern and Borton Lawson were named as engineers for Exeter Borough.

Tami Cannell of 145 Grant St. said the water company removed her property stakes and never replaced them when the job was done. Harold Ash of PennEastern will look into the matter.

Mike Coolbaugh of 1030 Old Exeter Ave spoke about the Kiwanis raising money for first responders vest. He also asked about a Tea House opening on Old Exeter Ave which is a residential district. The zoning officer and PennEastern will look into the matter. Jane Balent of 304 Grant St. spoke about 3 properties in Exeter Borough that are in poor condition and asked why no citations have been issued. She would like to see the properties cleaned up or cited.

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