Exeter Borough Council REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

February 5, 2019 7:00 P.M.

Meeting called to order by Council Chairman Richard Murawski. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present: Mr. Morgan, Mr. Balent, Mr. Dellegrotto, Mr. Esposito, Mr. Murawski, Mr.

Pizano and Mayor Adams Absent: Ms. DeRoberto

Council meets in executive session tonight at 6PM to discuss police contract negotiations and for a personnel matter.

"Person of the Month" James Champi.

Motion to approve the January 8, 2019 Council Meeting Minutes. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Balent and unanimously carried.

Treasurer Report provided by Debra Serbin

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

Citizens Input (agenda items only) Mr. Rome of Wyoming Ave asked about the cost to hire a Police Chief. Mr. Murawski said the motion is being tabled.

Correspondence – Invitation to council from Pittston City to participate in the St. Patricks' Day Parade.

Refuse Report–Lynda Hyzenski, report on file.

Recycling Report – Mr. Balent read the totals for the month.

Reports of Committees

Police – Joseph Esposito, Betty Ann DeRoberto and Joseph Pizano. New radios will be purchased for the police officers. Meetings to reach a new police contract are being held.

Finance & Insurance (Grants) Larry Dellegrotto, Joseph Esposito and Betty Ann DeRoberto. Mr. Dellegrotto the budget will be monitored during the year.

Motion to transfer \$350,000 from the M&T Sewer Fund to the FNCB Sewer Fund. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Dellegrotto and unanimously carried.

Fire Department – John Morgan & Joseph Pizano – 69 calls year to date. Report on file.

Street/Recycling –Betty Ann DeRoberto & David Balent – Road repairs will resume in the spring.

Parks & Recreation – Betty Ann DeRoberto & John Morgan – Nothing at this time.

Hicks Creek – Joseph Pizano, John Morgan & David Balent – Received an estimate on weed spraying for Hicks Creek. Hicks Creek ponding areas will be cleaned.

Zoning – Larry Dellegrotto and Joseph Pizano. Report on file.

Mayors Report – All shifts are covered.

Motion to allow the use of the Exeter Borough Building for a Vet's Appreciation Ceremony on May 18, 2019. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Dellegrotto and unanimously carried.

Motion to close E. Lincoln Street on June 1, 2019 for a block party. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Balent and unanimously carried.

Motion to wave the Vender Fee's for the June 1, 2019 Block Party. 1st Mr. Balent, 2nd Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Solicitors Report – A letter of intent was send to the owner of 1125 Wyoming Ave and accepted. The next step is to put together a sales agreement.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Motion to accept the prepaid bills in the amount of \$24,095.90. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Dellegrotto and unanimously carried.

Motion to award the bid for the Layton Street Pave & Drainage project to Krasavage Construction in the amount of \$254,636.00. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to accept the current bills in the amount of \$84,989.87. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Dellegrotto, Roll Call: Mr. Morgan – yes, with the exception of the Clark Hill Invoice. Mr. Balent – yes, Mr. Dellegrotto – yes, Mr. Murawski – yes, Mr. Pizano – yes, Mr. Esposito – yes.

Motion to appoint the, Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police Association to search and interview applicants for the Chief of Police position in Exeter Borough. This will be a Civil Service Position. Motion tabled.

Motion to erect a handicap parking sign for 11 Valley St. under permit # P58248H. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Dellegrotto and unanimously carried.

Motion to advertise for a Recycling Coordinator for Exeter Borough. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Dellegrotto and unanimously carried.

Motion to name the Exeter Borough Pump Station after Senator John Yuudichak. 1st Mr. Morgan, 2nd Mr. Esposito and unanimously carried.

Open to the Public

Mr. Sam McArthur of Wildflower Village said two properties were flooded and what can Council do? Council was notified. The weather was a contributor. Penn Dot will clean out all the x-pipes.

Mr. James Tigue of Fairway Hills owns a property in Wildflower that was flooded do to the x-pipes on Slocum Ave. He has contacted Penn Dot and State Representative Arron Kaufer. Mr. Len Galli of Jean Street asked what the cost of the MS4 requirement will cost Exeter Borough and the commercial establishments. Council does not have a cost at this time. Mr. Galli asked how much has been spent on the negotiations for the police contract. Mr. Dellegrotto said Exeter Borough Council has an obligation to negotiate a fair contract on behalf of the Exeter Borough residents. Mr. Galli will be provided with the true amount of funds to date spent on Police negotiations.

Mr. Lindo Sabatini of Fairway Hills asked if he should pay his MS4 bills. Council suggests everyone pay the bill as it is also associated with the O&M Sewer fees. The payment date has been extended to March.

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

Prepared and submitted by Debra Serbin