Exeter Borough Council

Regular Monthly Meeting 1101 Wyoming Ave April 7, 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, Ms. Adams, Mr. Esposito Mr. Pizano, Mayor Castellani

Absent - Mr. Morgan

Motion to approve the March 3, 2015 Council Meeting Minutes. 1st Mr. Turner, 2nd Mr. Esposito 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.

Motion to open a Taxes paid in Protest bank account at the First National Community Bank and transfer \$7,104.85 from the General Fund to the new Tax P.I.P. Fund. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nds Mr. Turner, Roll Call; Mr. Shannon – yes, Mr. Dellegrotto – yes, Mr. Turner – yes, Mr. Pizano – yes, Ms. Adams – yes, Mr. Esposito – yes.

Citizens input (agenda items only) No public comments.

Correspondence: Council was in executive session on April 7th at 6:30 to discuss a personnel matter.

Letter from Exeter Ambulance Assoc. requesting the closing of Lincoln St. on May 24, 2015 to conduct an open house.

Invitation to the West Pittston Cherry Blossom Parade.

Motion authorizing the closing of Lincoln St. on May 24, 2015 from 9a.m. to 12 p.m. so the Exeter Ambulance can hold an open house. 1st Mr. Turner, 2nd Mr. Dellegrotto and unanimously carried.

Refuse Report – Lynda Hyzenski, report on file.

Recycling Report – Karen Szwast, absent, report on file.

Reports of Committees

Police – Joseph Esposito & Larry Dellegrotto: 330 calls for the month.

Finance & Insurance (Grants) – Joseph Esposito & Larry Dellegrotto: Nothing at this time.

Fire Department – Denise Adams & John Morgan: The Exeter Hose Co. had a successful find raising event during Lent.

Street/Recycling Departments – Richard Turner, the Street Department will work on filling pot holes.

Parks & Recreation – Joseph Pizano & Denise Adams: Nothing at this time.

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

Zoning – Larry Dellegrotto, Richard Turner & Joseph Pizano: Planning meeting scheduled for April 8, 2015. Mr. Dellegrotto will meet with Luzerne County 911 to discuss the numbering of streets in Exeter Borough. The Zoning Board will be scheduling a meeting for a request to extract coal. They will need a, "use variance".

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

Remarks from Mayor Castellani, the Code Enforcement Officer and the Mayor will work on getting property maintenance in compliance.

Solicitors Report - Ray Hassey: Nothing to report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Motion to accept the prepaid bills in the amount of \$30,703.52. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Turner and unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to accept the current bills in the amount of \$104,882.59. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Turner, Roll Call; Mr. Shannon – yes, Mr. Dellegrotto – yes, Mr. Turner – yes, Mr. Pizano – yes, Ms. Adams – yes, with the exception of Atty. Karpowich invoice, Mr. Esposito – yes.

Motion to accept Ordinance #2-2015 approving penalty interest and fee schedule for collection of delinquent real estate taxes. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Turner, Roll Call; Mr. Shannon – yes, Mr. Dellegrotto – yes, Mr. Turner – yes, Mr. Pizano – yes, Ms. Adams – no, Mr. Esposito – yes.

Motion to approve the closing of Penn Ave to traffic on Thursday, May 29, 2015 from 8:45 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for activities associated with the JFK Elementary School annual Fund Day. 1st Mr. Turner, 2nd Mr. Esposito and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept the policies and procedures for the police department effective May 15, 2015. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Turner and unanimously carried.

Motion authorizing the closing of Wyoming Ave for the May 25, 2015 Memorial Day Parade. 1st Mr. Pizano, 2nd Mr. Esposito and unanimously carried.

Open to the Public: Mr. James Bone of 154 Valley St. addressed Council about a sewer blockage in his home. The Council will investigate the matter.

Adjournment, 1st Mr. Turner and unanimously carried.

Prepared and submitted by Debra Serbin