

Exeter Borough Council Meeting  
December 14, 2020  
Zoom Meeting  
7:00 PM

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

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, December 14, 2020 at 3:00 PM.

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

Person of the Month – No person of the month.

Motion to approve the November 10, 2020 Council Meeting Minutes. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Balent, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

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

Citizens Input (agenda items only) No public input.

Correspondence – No correspondence

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 October 270.

Finance & Insurance (Grants) Lori DeAngelo, John Morgan & Richard Murawski  
2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the 2021 proposed budget.

Motion to accept the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the proposed budget for 2021. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ms. DeAngelo and unanimously carried.

Fire Department – Carmen Marranca, John Morgan & Richard Murawski, The fire company did a good job when there was a gas leak on Schooley Ave.

Street/Recycling Departments – David Balent & John Morgan

The trucks are ready for plowing. West Pittston and Exeter Borough helped each other with leaf collections.

Parks & Recreation – Lori DeAngelo, Carmen Marranca & Joseph Esposito  
The parks will be closed for the season.

WVSA Report – John Morgan – Report on file.

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

Hicks Creek – David Balent & Richard Murawski – Nothing at this time.

Lincoln Park Drainage Project – the pipe has been located and will be viewed for the source of the blockage.

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

Remarks from Mayor Denise Adams - Nothing at this time.

Solicitors Report – Ray Hassey - The borough will schedule a hearing on January 5, 2021 at 6:30 PM for the purpose of a public hearing for a liquor license transfer to 1245 Wyoming Ave.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Motion to accept the prepaid bills in the amount of \$117,186.25. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ms. DeAngelo and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept Resolution #15-2020 the adoption of the revised Act 537 Plan, known as the Pennsylvania Sewage Facilities Act. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Balent and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept Resolution #16-2020 authorizing the submission of an LSA grant by Ashburn Advisors, on behalf of Exeter Borough for the , “2021 Schooley-Wyoming Avenue Project” in the amount of \$1,000,000.00. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Balent and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept Ordinance 6-2020 amending Chapter 115 of the Borough Code of Ordinances, Section 7.03 is amended as follows: The rate of \$40.50 established as the quarterly flat fee to be paid per unit as defined in Section 7.03 is hereby increased to \$45.50 per quarter. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept Ordinance 7-2020 fixing the tax rate for the year 2021. The real-estate tax rate will be 2.0079. The collection of 0.3495 mills is devoted to establishing and maintaining an encumbered account for the purpose of repairing, maintaining and improving streets, roadways and sidewalks within the Borough of Exeter. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Balent,

2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Morgan, Roll Call; Mr. Morgan – yes, Mr. Balent – yes, Mr. Marranca – yes, Mr. Murawski – yes, Mr. Pizano – yes, Ms. DeAngelo – yes, Mr. Esposito – no.

Motion to accept Ordinance #8-2020 amending garbage collection fees, Chapter 66 of the Exeter Borough Code of Ordinances, Article V, Service Fees, Section 66-14. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ms. DeAngelo, Roll Call; Mr. Morgan – yes, Mr. Balent – yes, Mr. Marranca – yes, Mr. Murawski – yes, Mr. Pizano – yes, Ms. DeAngelo – yes, Mr. Esposito – no.

Motion to extend the employment of Debra Serbin through 12/31/2021, in accordance with the terms set forth in the November 23, 2020 memorandum. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Balent and unanimously carried.

Motion to appoint Kendra Radle as Co-Manager of Exeter Borough effective January 4, 2021, succeeding Debra Serbin as Borough Manager on June 30, 2021. This agreement is subject to terms of an employment agreement to be prepared by our Solicitor. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ms. DeAngelo and unanimously carried.

Motion to approve Pay Application #2 from Krasavage Construction in the amount of \$39,753.45 for the Sullivan Street Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project, as approved by PennEastern Engineering, payable from the FNCB Sewer Fund. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Esposito and unanimously carried.

Motion to approve Pay Application #5 from Krasavage Construction in the amount of \$65,566.40 for the Exeter Avenue Storm Sewer Project, as approved by PennEastern Engineering, payable for the FNCB Sewer Fund. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Murawski and unanimously carried.

Motion to approve Pay Application #4 from Stafarsky Paving Company in the amount of \$16,011.94 for the Washington Street Pave and Drainage Project, as approved by PennEastern Engineering, payable for the Flood 2011 Fund. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Murawski and unanimously carried.

## NEW BUSINESS

Motion to approve the current bills in the amount of \$243,284.86. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Balent and unanimously carried.

Motion to enter into contract with Municipal Recovery for the processing of recycling in Exeter Borough. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ms. DeAngelo and unanimously carried.

Motion to approve the, Exeter Recycling Guidelines, to be sent to all residents of Exeter Borough. 1<sup>st</sup> Ms. DeAngelo, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Motion to ratify the December 7, 2020 hiring of Patrick Lizza of Memorial Street as a part time as needed laborer to the Exeter Borough Recycling Department. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Esposito and unanimously carried.

Motion to authorize Atty. Hassey to advertise notice of proposed Resolution authorizing intermunicipal transfer of alcoholic beverage license to 1245 Wyoming Avenue, Exeter, for consideration at the January 5, 2021 Council Meeting. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Balent and unanimously carried.

Open to the Public  
No public comments.

Adjournment, 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Prepared and submitted by Debra Serbin