Exeter Borough Council Meeting March 2, 2021 Zoom Meeting 7:00 PM

Meeting began with Pledge of Allegiance and called to order by Council Chairman, Joseph Pizano at 7pm.

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, March 1, 2021 at 3:00 PM.

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

Person of the Month: No person of the month.

Motion to approve the February 2, 2021 Council Meeting Minutes. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan. 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Marranca. Unanimously carried.

Treasurer Report – Motion to accept the Treasurers Report as read. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ms. DeAngelo. Unanimously carried.

Citizens Input (agenda items only) No citizens input.

Correspondence- No correspondence.

Refuse Report- Lynda Hyzenski – Report on file.

Recycling Report – Renee Pizano – Motion to approve a recycling event in the Spring of 2021. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Balent. 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Morgan. Unanimously carried.

Report of Committees

Police – John Morgan, David Balent & Carmen Marranca – 206 calls for service in February and the department is fully staffed.

Finance & Insurance (Grants) Lori DeAngelo, John Morgan & Richard Murawski – Nothing at this time.

Fire Department – Carmen Marranca, John Morgan & Richard Murawski – Council thanked the fire company for a job well done at the Bellus Court fire.

Street/Recycling Departments –David Balent & John Morgan – The department worked to remove snow and will start on road maintenance.

Parks & Recreation –Lori DeAngelo, Carmen Marranca & Joseph Esposito – Parks are scheduled to open at end of March.

WVSA Report – John Morgan – Report on file.

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

Hicks Creek – David Balent & Richard Murawski – Pumps were serviced. Will look for information on Growing Greener grants to remove sediment from the ponding areas.

Building & Grounds – Richard Murawski & Joseph Esposito – Discussed chimney repairs.

Remarks from Mayor Denise Adams – Nothing at this time.

Solicitors Report – Ray Hassey – Nothing at this time.

## **Unfinished Business**

Motion to accept the prepaid bills in the amount of \$49,735.52. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ms. DeAngelo. Unanimously carried.

Motion to approve Pay Application #6 from Stafursky Paving Company in the amount of \$1,575.94 for the Washington Street Pave and Drainage Project as approved by PennEastern Engineering payable from the Flood 2011 Fund. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Murawski. 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Marranca. Unanimously carried.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 3-2021 requesting a Local Share Account Grant in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development for the "2021 Schooley-Wyoming Avenue Project" with a funding commitment of \$737,474.00 with existing borough funds or alternate funding as a prerequisite to proceed with consideration of the Local Share Account Grant application. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Balent. 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Morgan. Unanimously carried.

## New Business

Motion to approve the current bills in the amount of \$112,260.55. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan. 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Balent. Unanimously carried.

Motion to approve Kendra Radle's attendance in the Temple University Grant Training Certification program held from March 2, 2021 to April 27, 2021 in the amount of \$275.00. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan. 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Esposito. Unanimously carried.

Motion to amend the lease agreement between Exeter Borough and Wyoming Valley Sanitary Authority for the rental of two additional equipment bays at 399 Slocum Avenue, Exeter, PA for an additional lease payment of \$500.00 per month. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan. 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Esposito. Unanimously carried.

Motion to approve Resolution 4-2021 approving the 2021 Luzerne County Municipal Solid Waste Management Plan. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ms. DeAngelo. Unanimously carried.

Motion to approve the creation of social media pages for Exeter Borough for information purposes to be managed by Kendra Radle. 1<sup>st</sup> Ms. DeAngelo. 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Marranca. Unanimously carried.

Adjournment – 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito. 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Morgan. Unanimously carried.

Open to the public. Ron Rome 1009 Wyoming Avenue, Exeter, PA. Asked Attorney Hassey if he did any research into employee participation in the non-uniform pension plan. Hassey says there is no evidence of impropriety in the non-uniform pension plan.

Prepared and submitted by Debra Serbin