EXETER BOROUGH

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

September 7, 2021

7pm

**Meeting called to order at 7pm by Chairman Pizano.**

Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Mr. Pizano, Mr. Morgan, Ms. DeAngelo, Mr. Balent, Mr. Murawski, Mr. Esposito.

Absent/Excused: Mr. Marranca.

Person of the Month: None at this time.

Motion to approve the August 3, 2021 Exeter Borough Council regular meeting minutes. 1st by Mr. Morgan, 2nd by Ms. DeAngelo. Unanimously carried.

Treasurer Report: Report on file. 1st by Mr. Morgan. 2nd by Mr. Balent. Unanimously carried.

Citizens Input (agenda items only): Nothing at this time.

Correspondence: Nothing at this time.

Refuse Report- Lynda Hyzenski. Report on file.

Recycling Report – Renee Pizano. Report on file.

**Report of Committees**

Police – John Morgan, David Balent & Carmen Marranca. Report on file. 300 calls, 5 arrests, 10 citations. Mr. Pizano discussed the moving forward of the regionalization.

Finance & Insurance (Grants) Lori DeAngelo, John Morgan & Richard Murawski. Discussed getting the budget started.

Fire Department – Carmen Marranca, John Morgan & Richard Murawski. Hose company is hosting a chicken barbeque.

Street/Recycling Departments –David Balent & John Morgan. Mr. Balent talks about the patching done and response to the cave in on Exeter Ave. Harold Ash is aware. Mr. Pizano and Mr. Morgan thank the Street Department for their work. Paper shredding event on the 18th Vince Ninassi will bring bins.

Parks & Recreation –Lori DeAngelo, Carmen Marranca & Joseph Esposito. Vince inquired about pet waste stations- where council wanted them- discussed the three parks.

WVSA Report – John Morgan. Report on file.

Zoning – David Balent, Richard Murawski, Lori DeAngelo & Dominick Pepe. Report on file. Mr. Morgan asked about property by recycling center on Slocum where rock is washing out.

Hicks Creek – David Balent & Richard Murawski. Mr. Balent discussed dredging of creek.

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

Remarks from Mayor Denise Adams. Discussed some tree problems. Mr. Morgan and street department did take care of some. Mayor Adams asked Attorney Hassey about condemned property procedure. Mr. Balent explained that homes are not condemned just unfit. Attorney Hassey will provide the information.

Solicitors Report – Ray Hassey. Nothing at this time.

**Unfinished Business**

Motion to accept the prepaid bills in the amount of $27,899.98 1st Mr. Morgan. 2nd Mr. Balent. Unanimously carried.

**New Business**

Motion to approve the current bills in the amount of $166,469.37. 1st Mr. Morgan. 2nd Mr. Balent. Mr. Esposito asked about Gavin Kross. Mr. Ninassi explained. Unanimously carried.

Motion to accept Resolution 9-2021 requesting a Local Share (Luzerne County) Grant in the amount of $1,000,000.00 for the 2022 Schooley-Wyoming Avenue Project. 1st by Mr. Morgan, 2nd by Ms. DeAngelo. Unanimously carried.

Motion to approve the purchase of a mini excavator, flail mower, and tilt trailer from Medico Construction Equipment at a total price of $113,547.83. 1st Mr. Morgan. 2nd Mr. Balent. Unanimously carried.

Motion to accept Officer Gina Felker’s request to attend training offered by The Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police Association with three paid days off and $315 to cover hotel costs. 1st Mr. Morgan. 2nd Mr. Balent. Amended to include meals by Mr. Esposito. Unanimously carried.

Motion to pay the 2022 Minimal Municipal Obligation for the Non uniform Pension Plan in the amount of $26,310.00. 1st by Mr. Balent. 2nd by Mr. Morgan. Unanimously carried.

Motion to pay the 2022 Minimal Municipal Obligation for the Police Pension Plan in the amount of $20,333.00. 1st by Mr. Morgan, 2nd by Ms. DeAngelo. Unanimously carried

Motion to hire Patrick Lizza as a part time Street Department employee. 1st Mr. Morgan. 2nd Mr. Balent. Unanimously carried.

Motion to hire Eugene Pizano as a part time Street Department employee. 1st Mr. Morgan. 2nd Mr. Balent. Unanimously carried.

Motion to hire Joseph Kelly as a part time Fire Truck Driver. 1st  by Mr. Morgan. 2nd by Mr. Balent. Unanimously carried.

Motion to appoint Ms. Renee Pizano as treasurer at a rate of $500/month by Mr. Morgan, 2nd by Ms. DeAngelo. Unanimously carried.

Motion to authorize Attorney Ray Hassey to be the liaison to negotiate crossing guard liability. 1st Mr. Morgan. 2nd Mr. Balent. Unanimously carried.

Open to the Public

Mr. Morgan discussed grant received for $250,000 with the help of Senator Yudichak for storm/ sewer separation work.

Mary Grace Huntington presented Little Library Eagle Scout project for Musto Park. 1st by Mr. Morgan, 2nd by Mr. Esposito. Unanimously carried.

Ms. DeAngelo explained that Exeter Events is now a 501(c)3.

Discussion regarding craft fair in October at Exeter Little League. Vendor list will be given to Ms. DeAngelo. (Vacula)

**Adjournment. 1st by Mr. Esposito. 2nd by Mr. Morgan. Unanimously carried.**