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The meeting was held virtually via GoToMeeting due to the COVID 19 Pandemic.

President Wainright called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

ROLL CALL

Upon roll call, the following responded: Mr. Bright, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Love, Mr. O'Donnell, Ms. Yaney, and Mr. Wainright. Solicitor Tim Barry and Mayor Wilson were also present. Dr. Petrolla joined the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR:

No public comments were offered.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Love offered a correction to the September 21, 2020 minutes. The title sheet contained the incorrect date, it should say September 21, 2020. The revision was accepted.

Mr. O'Donnell moved to approve the September 21, 2020 meeting minutes containing Mr. Love's date correction. Second by Mr. Fuller.

The Aye vote on the motion was unanimous. **Motion carried.**

Mr. O'Donnell moved to approve the October 5, 2020 meeting minutes. Second by Mr. Fuller.

The Aye vote on the motion was unanimous. **Motion carried**.

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS

Mr. O'Donnell authorize the payment of bills, for goods and services received by the Borough, having been reviewed and approved by the General Government Committee, from the General Fund in the amount of \$ 21,599.57 and from the Sewer fund in the amount of \$ 6,360.01 for a total of \$ 27,959.58. Second Ms. Yaney.

DISCUSSION: Mr. O'Donnell included his comments in the General Government report.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Mr. Bright, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Love, Mr. O'Donnell, Ms. Yaney, and Mr. Wainright. **Motion carried.**

Committee Reports:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT: Mr. O'Donnell commented on bill payments, including building inspector costs and sewer engineering costs. The manager recommended Mr. O'Donnell provide the rest of his report in executive session. This was the end of the General Government report.

POLICE: Mayor Wilson remarked that the police department is moving to 12-hour shifts for the time being.

PUBLIC SAFETY: Mr. Fuller reported the committee met to interview a part time police officer candidate and recommended his hiring. Mr. Stone's hiring is on the agenda.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: Mr. Bright reported the committee did not meet.

PUBLIC WORKS: Mr. Love reported the committee did not meet.

COMMUNITY SERVICE: Ms. Yaney reported the committee did not meet but she remarked on Fall Fest. The manager would have a total amount fundraised shortly.

PERSONNEL: Mr. Zahorchak stated the committee did not meet.

PENSION: Mr. Fuller stated the committee did not meet.

AD HOC COMMITTEES-

CONNECT: Mr. Zahorchak reported that he received a packet of information on recycling ordinances and would be reviewing it.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Mr. Barry had nothing to report.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT: Mr. Zahorchak reported that Lee Miller's last day will be November 20. Mr. Miller is retiring from the building inspector position. Mr. Zahorchak also spoke about the 2021-2025 solid waste contract and recommended awarding the contract to Republic Services. A discussion followed about the various bid items and pricing for services under the contract.

NEW BUSINESS: There was no new business brought before council.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Mr. O'Donnell moved to award the 2021-2022 solid waste and recycling contract, including bid alternate #1 HHW and e-Waste collection for both years and bid alternate #2 Glass Recycling Dumpster for 2021 only, to Republic Services, conditioned upon the satisfactory review and acceptance of an Agreement by the borough solicitor. Second Mr. Fuller.

DISCUSSION: A point of clarification was discussed regarding the awarding of bid alternate #1 to coincide with the base bid and awarding bid alternate #2 for only 2021. Bid alternate #2 can be awarded or discarded for each year the contract is in effect.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Mr. Bright, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Love, Mr. O'Donnell, Dr. Petrolla Ms. Yaney, and Mr. Wainright. **Motion carried**.

Mr. Fuller I moved to hire Benjamin E. Stone as a part time police officer, conditioned upon the candidate successfully passing a criminal background check, physical and psychological evaluation. Second Ms. Yaney

DISCUSSION: None.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Mr. Bright, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Love, Mr. O'Donnell, Dr. Petrolla Ms. Yaney, and Mr. Wainright. **Motion carried**.

Mr. Love read Borough Resolution 2020-25- CDBG Yr 47 Funds for Sanitary Sewer Improvements. Second by Mr. Fuller.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Zahorchak explained that the resolution is required for CDBG funding. Household income surveys are also required. This process can complicate the application. Applications are due mid-November.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Mr. Bright, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Love, Mr. O'Donnell, Dr. Petrolla Ms. Yaney, and Mr. Wainright. **Motion carried**.

Mr. O'Donnell read Borough Resolution 2020-26- CDBG Yr 47 Funds for ADA Ramps. Second by Mr. Love.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Zahorchak reviewed the locations of the proposed ramps, which include Hawthorne Ave, Maple Ave, and Edgewood Avenue.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Mr. Bright, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Love, Mr. O'Donnell, Dr. Petrolla Ms. Yaney, and Mr. Wainright. **Motion carried**.

Mr. Wainright announced that the 2021 budget meeting would occur on November 14, 2020 at 9am at the borough building.

Council held an executive session to discuss a personnel matter and an ongoing investigation from 8:18 pm – 8:40 pm. Council left executive session to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. Fuller motioned to adjourn the meeting. Second Ms. Yaney. The Aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

Rob Zahorchak, Borough Manager