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MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD APRIL 15, 2024

Council President Petrolla called the meeting to order at 7:31pm.

ROLL CALL

Upon roll call, the following responded: Dr. Blasiolo, Dr. Epitropoulos, Mr. Love, Ms. Patel, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Yaney, and Dr. Petrolla. Also present were Mayor O'Donnell, Borough Manager Zahorchak, and Patrick Gannon substituting for Solicitor McDermott.

PLEDGE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR: The following public comment was received.

Al Caruso, Edgewood Foundation: Mr. Caruso provided an update on behalf of the Edgewood Foundation. The senior brunch is happening next month. If anyone knows of a graduating senior who has not yet signed up, they can be referred to the Foundation. The Brinton Road clean up event is scheduled for June 8. Adult volunteers are welcome to help.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M-1 Mr. Love moved to approve the minutes of March 18, 2024. Second by Ms. Yaney.

DISCUSSION: None.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Dr. Blasiolo, Dr. Epitropoulos, Mr. Love, Ms. Patel, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Yaney, and Dr. Petrolla. **Motion carried.**

M-2 Mr. Love moved to approve the minutes of April 1, 2024. Second by Ms. Yaney.

DISCUSSION: None.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Dr. Blasiolo, Dr. Epitropoulos, Mr. Love, Ms. Patel, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Yaney, and Dr. Petrolla. **Motion carried.**

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS

M-3 Mr. Love moved to authorize the payment of bills for goods and services received by the borough from the General Fund in the amount of \$108,599.41 and from the Sewer Fund in the amount of \$209,059.01 for a total of \$317,658.42. Second by Dr. Blasiolo.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Zahorchak stated that PNC rejected a valid check issued to ALCOSAN, believing it was fraudulent. The check will need to be reissued. Mr. Love noted that there was a larger payment due to the recent tractor purchase.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Dr. Blasiolo, Dr. Epitropoulos, Mr. Love, Ms. Patel, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Yaney, and Dr. Petrolla. **Motion carried.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT: Mr. Love stated that General Government met and discussed the agenda items.

POLICE: Police Chief Payne had nothing to report.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND INFRASTRUCTURE: Ms. Yaney stated that Public Safety and Infrastructure did not meet.

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS: Mr. Sherman stated that Community Affairs did not meet.

PENSION AND PERSONNEL: Dr. Blasiolo stated the committee is reviewing two proposals for legal services for the borough's pension plans. Ms. Yaney inquired about payment. Mr. Zahorchak replied that all pension legal services are paid from the plan. Brief discussion ensued.

AD HOC COMMITTEES: Nothing was reported.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Nothing was reported.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT: Mr. Zahorchak reported that tractor equipment has been ordered and will be delivered soon. He noted that we are now hiring two full time Public Works employees. Pension council proposals have been provided to Council members. Statements of Financial Interest are due by May 31. The rescue truck is going back to the shop for diagnosis due to a continuing issue. The fire truck will be inspected soon. A proposal is out for a new camera system at the borough building. We are working through occupancy challenges to be able to rent space in the field house.

A contractor is lined up for repairs on the train station. Work should only take a few days. Mary Sciulli passed recently and a request was made to find a way to honor her years of service as a crossing guard. A tree planting was suggested. Mr. Zahorchak noted that he will be meeting soon with Davey to discuss tree plantings. Starting on April 23, the Race St tunnel will be closed from 9am-3pm while Norfolk Southern does bridge work. They have requested to extend the timing of the work once school is done. He noted that flaggers will be in place for traffic control. Mike Hooks, our sound engineer for Community Day requested that we start at 12:30 for Community Day this year, to allow more time for musical acts.

NEW BUSINESS – None.

COMMITTEE ACTION

M-4 Dr. Blasiolo moved to accept the Cohen Law Group's proposal for services providing Cable Franchise Renewal Services with Verizon Pennsylvania as detailed in CLG's March 8, 2024 proposal submitted to the Turtle Creek Valley Council of Governments. Second by Dr. Epitropoulos.

DISCUSSION: None.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Dr. Blasiolo, Dr. Epitropoulos, Mr. Love, Ms. Patel, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Yaney, and Dr. Petrolla. **Motion carried.**

M-5 Ms. Yaney moved to accept Matthew Odenthal's resignation from his DPW Laborer position effective April 3, 2024 and to advertise the vacant position. Second by Dr. Epitropoulos.

DISCUSSION: None.

Upon roll call vote the following responded yes: Dr. Blasiolo, Dr. Epitropoulos, Mr. Love, Ms. Patel, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Yaney, and Dr. Petrolla. **Motion carried.**

M-6 It was moved by Dr. Blasiolo and seconded by Mr. Sherman to adjourn the meeting at 7:51pm. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. **Motion carried.**



Rob Zahorchak, Borough Manager