

Minutes of the Monthly Council Meeting

7:00 P.M. Tuesday, March 8, 2016

**Borough Council Chamber, Municipal Building
415 Sixth Street, Braddock Pennsylvania**

CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL:

The following were present: President Tina Doose, Vice-President George Gilmore, Councilman Kevin Henderson, Councilman Robert Parker, Councilman Lorne Berry, Councilwoman Charlotte Clark, Junior Councilman Nathan Barnes, Glenn Engineering Joe Dursa, Police Chief Frank DeBartolo, Borough Manager Deborah Brown, and Treasurer Eileen Navish. Absent Mayor John Fetterman, Act 47 Coordinator Joseph Hohman and solicitor Falco Muscante

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President, Tina Doose led the invocation and the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by, Mr. Parker second by Mr. Gilmore to approve the minutes of the legislative Council meeting on February 9, 2016. VOTE: 6-0

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Margaret Signorelle, Penn State Greater Allegheny The College is seeking a grant to expand Greater Allegheny's work in the community by establishing a Penn State Center for Business Innovation in conjunction with the local startup Blue roof Technologies, a smart home demonstration project and laboratory and the Mon Yough Area Chamber of Commerce. The wider goal is to energize economic development and creative business ideas in an area in need of leadership and entrepreneurial expertise. Penn State Allegheny is looking into the possibility of renting space in the 501 Braddock Avenue.

Zinat Naderi, MVI gave updates on the Free Press building, electrical upgrades are still being worked on, looking for it to be complete in a few months. Once electrical issues are complete applications for the 4 one bedroom apartments will begin.

Jeff Bergman, Director of Community Forestry & TreeVitalize Pittsburgh for the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy's. The Conservancy is interested in conducting some analysis work for green infrastructure projects in Braddock. WPC has been undertaking "green scans" in Allegheny County municipalities over the last several years, which have led to us implementing major green infrastructure projects to address stormwater management. Results from the scan done in Carnegie Borough led to the construction of two green parking lots in the borough's business district. We're very interested in exploring similar work in Braddock.

Robin Monroe, Co-chair of the Tree Commission informed the Borough that a water buffalo has been purchased to assist with watering of the trees on lots that are not being watered.

SOLICITORS REPORT

The solicitor met with Council before the public meeting to discuss litigation and personnel issues.
No report

MAYOR'S REPORT

No report.

CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT

A written report was included in Council packets. Police Chief Frank DeBartolo

Motion by Mr. Gilmore, and seconded by Mr. Parker to approve the Chief of Police report. VOTE: 6 - 0

ENGINEER'S REPORT

A copy of the report was included in the Council packets

Motion by Mr. Parker and second by Mrs. Clark to accept the lower bid by Satira of \$2895 to repair the curb at the 11th street railroad crossing VOTE 6-0

Street sweeping will start again in May-July and September. The months are the same as last year and notices will be posted.

Motion by Mrs. Clark second by Mr. Parker to approve the Engineers report. VOTE: 6-0

CORRESPONDENCE

Motion by, Mrs. Clark seconded by Mr. Gilmore to accept the correspondence report. VOTE: 6 -0

FINANCE

A. Treasurer's report for month ending

B. Profit and Loss Budget vs. Actual Financial Report

A. Monthly Report of Municipal Net Assets

Motion by Mr. Barry seconded by Mr. Gilmore, to approve the Finance Report VOTE: 6 – 0

TAX COLLECTORS REPORT

No report

GENERAL REPORTS

Building Inspector's Report.

Public Works Report

Motion by, Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Gilmore to receive and file General Reports. VOTE: 6 – 0

MANAGERS REPORT

Received a resignation letter from The Part-time maintenance person, Joshua Thornton

Need motion to accept the contract with Meter Feeder with a few revisions.

Motion by Mr. Parker second by Mr. Gilmore to accept the contract with Meter Feeder. VOTE: 6-0

Motion by, Mr. Parker and seconded by Mr. Gilmore to accept the Managers' report. VOTE: 6- 0

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion by Mr. Parker and second by Mr. Berry to approve the and ratify the bills ranging from February 9, 2016 – March 8, 2106 in the amount of \$88,572.98

Motion by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Berry to approve and ratify the bill list from February 9, 2016 – March 8, 2106 in the amount of \$88,572.98 VOTE: 6-0

OLD BUSINESS

There is still a need for crossing guards

NEW BUSINESS

Braddock Economic Development Corporation (BEDCO) bought 10 beautiful blue Bicycle rakes with the stencil of Braddock on each one.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Parker second by Mrs. Clark

Meeting adjourned 7:50 PM