

**BOROUGH OF CHALFANT – WORK SESSION**

**APRIL 09, 2013**

PRESENT: Mayor Perry, Ms. Williams, Ms. Simek, Messrs. Sperduto, Hoover, Lasser, Kasardo

ABSENT: Mr. Swinney

The work session began at 7:00 pm and ended at 8:55 pm.

**BOROUGH OF CHALFANT - REGULAR MEETING**

**APRIL 10, 2013**

PRESENT: Mayor Perry, Ms. Williams, Ms. Simek, Messrs., Swinney, Lasser, Kasardo, Sperduto, Hoover, Solicitor Evashavik

ABSENT: None

Ms. Williams called the meeting to order and led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Kasardo, seconded by Simek, to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting. Motion was unanimous.

Motion by Swinney, seconded by Sperduto, to approve the bank balances as read. Motion was unanimous.

Motion by Lasser, seconded by Hoover, to approve for payment the bills for the month after being properly countersigned. Motion was unanimous.

Motion by Kasardo, seconded by Simek, to approve the Tax Collection report as read. Motion was unanimous.

**MAYOR**

For the month of March there were 31, 911 calls and 186 regular patrols by F.H.P.D. The majority of the 911 calls were:

- 5-Ordinance Violations
- 4-Parking Complaints
- 4-Med Unit Assists
- 3-Suspicious Activities
- 2-Domestics
- 2-Follow-up Information Reports

There were also 15 traffic stops, most at Electric Avenue and Ardmore Boulevard. There was also a drug arrest in the 100 block of Greenfield Avenue which involved two 20 year olds from White Oak. Drugs and weapons were found in the car.

**SOLICITOR**

No report

**FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION**

There is nothing to report regarding Community Center rentals.

The newsletter editor is working on the next edition which will go out at the end of May.

**PERMITS AND ORDINANCES**

There were two occupancy permits issued.

A building permit was issued for a deck.

Some problems with properties were noticed during Redd-up Day and will be addressed.

Motion by Sperduto, seconded by Swinney, to transfer \$12,500 from the General Fund Money Market to the General Fund Checking. Motion carried.

**ROADS AND PUBLIC WORKS**

The manhole cover on Elizabeth Street was replaced and Forest Hills will check the manhole/sidewalk situation on West Street.

Mr. Swinney is working with Mr. Theilacker on areas that need millings. Mayor Perry stated that the alley behind his home has been patched many times but the patches are not holding. Mr. Kasardo suggested that the alley be leveled and tack coat be used before the millings are put down. Forest Hills could then use the roller that they own on the area.

The Chalfant sign on West Street and the Greensburg Pike was damaged. Jeremy Acker has agreed to make a new sign. Mr. Swinney is unsure of the cost at this time. The borough may be able to submit to the insurance carrier.

Mr. Acker's wife has volunteered to help with the memorials and will contact Mr. Lasser. Mr. Hoover noted that he would like to build a stone wall around the sign on Chalfant Street.

The engineer will attend an upcoming meeting to discuss street work.

**HEALTH AND SANITATION**

There is a small rat issue on Elizabeth. One property owner will take care of the grass that may be the cause.

Mr. Hoover requested funds for door hangers. One side will provide information on e-recycling and the other side will provide information on the centennial. Ms. Alia Pustorino-Clevenger noted that a six question survey has been created to gather input from the residents. The estimated cost of 400 hangers is \$85.00 for black and white and \$115.00 for color. Council opted for color.

Work is needed on the storm drains on Brighton Street. The sewer line fund will cover.

Mr. Kasardo noted that Alcosan's director spoke at the ALOM conference and pushed for green options and for keeping storm drain water within the municipalities.

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

Mr. Kasardo attended the Forest Hills police meeting. Forest Hills may start testing for some new part-time officers.

For the VFC there was one alarm and one practice held last month. Two members attended each.

The pasta dinner netted a profit of \$19.66. 37 dinners were sold at \$6.00 per dinner and \$71.00 in donations was received. The cost of the supplies was \$273.34. It was noted that the VFC needs to rethink the fundraiser. Joanne Baburich noted that a company will provide food free of charge but the VFC would need to pick it up.

The bad pole at 214 Wilkins has been replaced. The street light on Brighton needs a new head.

The lease contract was provided to the VFC so that they could get their small games of chance license. Motion by Kasardo, seconded by Hoover to accept the lease agreement with the amendments and to provide to the VFC for signature. Motion carried.

**BOROUGH PROPERTY**

Mr. Lasser met with several individuals at the part regarding the installation of a french drain. Mr. Kasardo added that the engineer is in agreement with the proposal with the exception of the type of rocks that were proposed. The lowest bid is \$6,645. The cost will be shared with the CAA. Motion by Kasardo, seconded by Hoover, to move forward with the project. Motion carried.

Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup> is Memorial Day. Volunteers are needed to spruce up the two memorials and the two Chalfant signs.

Mr. Lasser attended the blight workshop in Homestead on Monday March 25<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Lasser attended a meeting hosted by Gary Silversmith of P&L Investments at the Roman Bistro restaurant. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the Westinghouse area that is being developed. The drawing provided by Mr. Silversmith has all the units located in Forest Hills. The original request from Chalfant council was that some units be located in Chalfant. Mr. Silversmith is to have the architect review.

The CAA will be cleaning up the field at the park.

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION**

Doris Libell, Lynnwood Avenue, stated that if the borough can afford to put down a french drain at the park then it can afford new signs for the borough. Ms. Libell also asked if the full rental price for the Community Center would be the appropriate charge for a memorial service for the death of a nonresident. Council responded yes.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

A resident of the borough, Patrick Clevenger, won on Jeopardy.

The borough tour will be scheduled.

A resident of the borough, Anna Reabe, passed away.

Mr. Sperduto suggested that shoot and chip be used on the alleys rather than millings.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Hoover, seconded by Simek, to adjourn at 8:04 p.m. Motion was unanimous.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Borough Secretary

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Council President