

BOROUGH OF CHALFANT – WORK SESSION

JULY 7, 2015

PRESENT: Ms. Williams, Ms. Pustorino, Messrs. Hoover, Hensell, Kasardo

ABSENT: Mayor Perry, Mr. Swinney, Mr. Lasser

The work session began at 7:00 pm and ended at 8:43 pm.

BOROUGH OF CHALFANT - REGULAR MEETING

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ABSENT: Mayor Perry

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

Motion by Pustorino, seconded by Hoover, to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting. Motion was unanimous.

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

MAYOR

Mr. Kasardo read Mayor Perry's report in his absence.

For the month of June there were 35, 911 calls and 179 regular patrols by F.H.P.D. The majority of the 911 calls were:

- 4- Ordinance Violations
- 3- Return Calls for Information
- 3- Theft Calls
- 2- Animal Complaints
- 2- Juvenile Complaints
- 2- Parking Complaints

SOLICITOR

No Report

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

The newsletter will be delivered this week by hand and this will save several hundred dollars.

There was a Woodland Hills School District consolidation meeting on June 8, 2015. They have moved forward with moving furnishings. There is a meeting next week with the superintendent to discuss the Plan for Excellence.

Ms. Pustorino thanked the Perry's for organizing the Pirate game. Chalfant's Centennial was announced on the scoreboard. Ms. Pustorino and Mr. Orosz will be writing the Centennial book. The next meeting is next Wednesday. The 2nd annual car cruise will be on 7/25/15 with rain date of 7/26/15.

Motion by Pustorino, seconded by Kasardo, to transfer \$18,000 from the General Fund Money Market to the General Fund Checking. Motion carried.

PERMITS AND ORDINANCES

There was one occupancy inspection last month on West Street.

There are five buildings currently being inspected by BIU. They have issued warnings and the owners have 30 days to correct or respond. After that, the process starts through the legal system.

Mr. Hoover is still working on the occupancy list which has been delayed due to a computer problem.

Mr. Dodge has been monitoring grass issues.

Council discussed the no smoking ordinance. Since it would be difficult to enforce, council is considering putting up No Smoking signs. These would not be backed by an ordinance but may serve as a deterrent.

A tree came down on a high tension wire on Kenmore which created a power outage in Chalfant.

ROADS AND PUBLIC WORKS

The No Dumping signs are in and these will be put on Greenfield and Highland by Rossmore and also midway down Lynnwood. Some additional signs also need to be ordered.

The tree in the alley behind Lynnwood will be taken care of tomorrow.

Interns will be coming into the borough to collect data related to the land bank.

Some hot patching will be done. Mr. Swinney is also looking at alley and street work. There is \$33,000 in the Highway Aid account. Mr. Lasser stated that he thinks an inventory of the streets and alleys should be done to organize plans.

Mr. Kasardo stated there is a giant piece of cement missing at the intersection by Avenue F by the stop sign.

HEALTH AND SANITATION

The manhole repair in the 300 block of Greenfield and Lynnwood was completed. Motion by Hensell, seconded by Hoover, to pay JL Urban \$8,900 for this work. Motion carried.

Emergency work on North Avenue is being done.

Motion by Hensell, seconded by Hoover, to authorize the engineer to put out for bid the sewer system and CCTV budget. Motion carried. Ms. Williams noted that five municipalities join together in this.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Mr. Kasardo attended the Forest Hills public safety meeting. Chief Williams has ordered the body cameras. Forest Hills is also getting cameras for their parks. There are a few Chalfant residents that would like to be on the Crime Watch committee. Information will be sent to them. Chalfant plans to start their own Crime Watch committee too.

There were two practices and no alarms for the VFC. Engine 120 is at Keystone to have a cross hand valve for the pump repaired and also for the annual inspection. The VFC will be selling food at the car cruise. The VFC 990 certification is being worked on. Mr. Kasardo spoke with David Denard from the CPA firm and found him to be experienced and knowledgeable.

The borough will be getting 12 LED lights. These will go from West to North and stop at the intersection of North and Rossmore.

BOROUGH PROPERTY

Mr. Kasardo is making arrangements to have the chair lift inspected.

There have been several inquiries on renting the Community Center.

Bids are being received for the park grant and will be opened next Wednesday morning. Security cameras, new electric service and new door in the refreshment stand, new swing sets and fall zones and tree cutting are some of the items to be included. Mr. Swinney asked if the park gate was to be included and it is, and it will be in the same location.

Mr. Hoover noted that Ms. Hillen from the CAA suggested council do an annual audit of the CAA.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Doris Libell, Lynnwood Avenue, asked Mr. Lasser where the 6th park table was. It was noted it may be in the garage. She also inquired for the swings cannot be lowered via the chain links but it was noted that the frame height is too high per current standards.

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Joanne Baburich, Brighton Street, stated that council should think about repairing streets before alleys.

Denny Sisco, Greenfield Avenue, asked about the noise ordinance. Mr. Hoover said if something is bothersome to call the police. He also noted that Tugboat's has been informed to wrap up music by 10 pm. Mr. Sisco also stated that there is a spring that pops up on Chalfant Street occasionally.

Judith Fox, Highland Avenue, thanked council for resolving two of her previous issues. She also stated that she is replacing smoke detectors and asked if the VFC could help. Council responded yes, that they could help and Mr. Hoover stated if they were not able to, then to call him and he would help her.

Cindy Roche, Fairview Avenue, asked who uses the refreshment stand at the park and said that since her tax dollars helped to support the stand council should demand that the CAA pick up the trash at the park. It was decided to discuss this around January of next year and determine how best to approach for the upcoming season.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Lasser has some out of state friends that have commented positively on the Centennial Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Hoover, seconded by Swinney, to adjourn at 8:18 p.m. Motion carried.

ATTEST: _____
Borough Secretary

Council President