

BOROUGH OF CHALFANT – WORK SESSION

AUGUST 9, 2016

PRESENT: Dr. Pustorino, Ms. Baburich, Messrs. Hensell, Hoover, Syska, Miller

ABSENT: Mayor Perry

The work session began at 7:00 pm and ended at 8:28 pm.

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ABSENT: Mayor Perry

Mr. Hoover called the meeting to order and led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Motion by Hensell, seconded by Miller, to approve the bank balances as read. Motion was unanimous.

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

Motion by Pustorino, seconded by Miller, to approve the Tax Collection report as read. Motion was unanimous.

MAYOR

Mr. Miller read Mayor Perry's report in his absence. He is out due to surgery.

For the month of July there were 52, 911 calls and 183 regular patrols by F.H.P.D. The majority of the 911 calls were:

- 8- Return calls for Information
- 6- Thefts from Vehicles
- 4- Suspicious Activity
- 3- Ordinance Violations
- 3- Utility Complaints
- 2- Welfare Checks
- 2- Parking Complaints

There was one traffic stop with a warning issued.

SOLICITOR

No Report

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

The electronic occupancy list is nearly complete.

Dr. Pustorino is waiting for updates from the webmaster regarding the website updates.

Dr. Pustorino completed the borough documents for the Solarize Energy proposal. Information will be included in the next newsletter.

Individuals who offered to help deliver the newsletter will be invited to do so. Putting the newsletter on the website and/or sending via email with limited paper copies next year was discussed.

Motion by Pustorino, seconded by Baburich to transfer \$4,500 from the General Fund Checking to the General Fund Money Market. Motion carried.

Mr. Hoover noted that police officers are now wearing body cameras.

PERMITS AND ORDINANCES

There were five occupancy inspections completed and 2 applications for dumpsters/bagsters. A list of the property addresses was read.

ROADS AND PUBLIC WORKS/PUBLIC SAFETY

The hours/related cost of the Forest Hills DPW was read: May \$3,223.20, June \$4,465.48 and July \$7,183.10.

Motion by Syska, seconded by Hensell, to use \$2,500 of the Highway Aid Fund for crack sealing provided this is a valid use of the funds. Motion carried.

Mr. Syska read the VFC report. There were two alarms and one practice last month. The number of members attending each was read. Additionally, the car cruise was held.

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Six storm drains were fixed (one on Highland, two on Lynnwood, one on Greenfield, one at Greenfield and Shadeland and one in the 100 block of Shadeland).

Electronics recycling is on hold for now and probably until the beginning of the new year.

BOROUGH PROPERTY

Some signs will be removed from the park and new signs installed including “Young Lungs at Play” signs. Mr. Miller submitted a request for signs to Ten Graphix outlining prohibited behavior at the park. Motion by Miller, seconded by Baburich, to approve the quote if the price does not exceed \$100 per sign. Motion carried.

The CAA wanted the borough to submit a grant for dugouts at the park but council decided not to do this. The CAA however can submit an application and council requested to be kept apprised.

Hooper Roofing will repair the Community Center roof. The timing depends on the weather but they are aiming for next week.

The third Crime Watch meeting was held on August 2nd. Mark Swinney will chair the committee and three other members were identified. Mayor Perry will serve as the liaison between the Crime Watch group and the police department. If anyone wants to be on the Crime Watch mailing list they can contact Mr. Miller.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Doris Libell, Lynnwood Avenue, gave a report on WHEMS. They are investigating the purchase of a new ambulance. The cost would be under \$100,000.

Ed Olen, Lynnwood Avenue, stated that when he took his recyclables to the dumpster there were items in it that were not permitted. This is a common occurrence. Folks have also been dumping their electronics there. Council stated that a camera may be installed. Mr. Olen also stated that he believes paper copies of the newsletter will continue to be needed for folks that don't use computers. Additionally he commented that he has noticed weeds and grass growing along the edges of streets and stated that this will break up the asphalt. Finally he noted that 204 Lynnwood is continuing to deteriorate and Mr. Hoover responded that it is being worked on.

Evelyn Fullwood, Elizabeth Avenue, requested speed limit signs on Elizabeth, especially the 100 block. Mr. Hoover stated that council will try to get the speed trailer again and she volunteered her yard. She has been taking down license plates and will provide to the police.

Luanne Bouvier, Highland Avenue, asked if a replacement for Mr. Dodge was hired. Mr. Hoover stated that Pat Earley from Building Inspection Underwriters is handling the occupancy permits and ordinance violations. She stated that she knows someone that may be interested in maintaining the Parkway Steps and will have him contact Mr. Hoover.

Russ Drenning, Elizabeth Avenue, spoke about the need to get a temporary or deputy constable appointed for the upcoming election. Mr. Hoover asked for names of those that may be interested. Mr. Drenning stated that he is interested in the empty council seat. Mr. Hoover will discuss with him.

Steve Orosz, Highland Avenue, asked about the process for grass cutting, garbage can issues etc. Mr. Hoover responded that a resident can contact a member of council. Council will make the initial contact and if not resolved, will then refer to Mr. Earley.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Baburich, seconded by Miller, to adjourn at 7:41 p.m. Motion carried.

ATTEST: _____
 Borough Secretary

 Council President