

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING – JANUARY 2, 2018

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Feikles called the Washington Township Council Meeting to order on January 2, 2018 at 7:11 P.M. at the Washington Township Administration Building at 11800 Edinboro Road, Edinboro, PA 16412.

Those present were Vice-Mayor Campbell, Councilmen Pernisek, Patterson and Glass. Also present were Solicitor Burroughs, Engineer Halmi, Manager Anthony, Community Development Specialist Deborah Anthony and Zoning Officer Willow. Visitor was Kathy Pernisek.

AGENDA APPROVAL It was voted on motion by Patterson, seconded by Pernisek, to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

COUNCIL MINUTES It was voted on motion by Glass, seconded by Campbell, to approve the Minutes of the semi-monthly Council Meeting of December 19, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT The following checks presented for approval: General Fund #17548-17585, Water Fund#5824-5837, Sewer Fund #7480-7491, and payroll checks #16137-16148, (Water) 10056 and (Sewer)10131. It was voted on motion by Campbell, second by Patterson, to approve all the checks as presented, with a corrected General Fund payables balance of \$47, 254.37. Motion carried unanimously.

SECRETARY'S REPORT Manager Anthony presented following report:

Fortunate for us and unfortunate for the City of Erie, the record snowfall of sixty plus inches didn't land on our doorstep. Christmas Day did require a couple of rounds of plowing by our crew. As a reminder, we provide double time pay for holidays. This is one of the rare occasions that it was absolutely necessary to have the crew performing the snowplowing duties on a holiday. The good news is that we didn't experience any trucks hung up in the snow nor did we sustain any mechanical problems. The winter weather is extremely tough on our equipment and each day that passes without a problem is viewed as one day closer to springtime. The low temperatures do raise havoc with our antiskid pile and freeze the material. A covered antiskid building would be luxury in comparison and something that perhaps when the garage is paid for we could consider.

The freezing temperatures are a blessing for sewer flows though. Colder weather typically reduces flows for this time of year. The challenge is keeping the pump stations up and running and generators warmed enough to start if we have a power failure. As of this report, all is fully operational.

Water Department reports no major concerns at this time. Of course the cold weather allows for breaks in the systems, mostly internal at customers' homes; we monitor our flows very closely and recognize breaks fairly early. The chore is locating them in a timely manner. We monitor any vacant homes, as this is where it occurs most times.

The office will be readying for the New Year with State reports and preparing for the audit in February.

CORRESPONDENCE None.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT Zoning Officer Willow had no subdivisions to report but presented the monthly Building Report.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT No report.

ENGINEER'S REPORT Engineer Halmi updated Council on the Lewis Road culvert permit progress, the Sewer Bond certification and annual sewer reporting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PLANNING COMMISSION No Meeting.

ZONING HEARING BOARD No Meeting.

ERIE COUNTY ASSOCIATION Minutes were unavailable.

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EMA Councilman Pernisek presented the Minutes of the December 1, 2017 Meeting.

OLD BUSINESS None.

NEW BUSINESS

YEAR-END INVESTMENTS It was voted on motion by Campbell, seconded by Glass, to approve the year-end investments as presented by Manager Anthony, adding \$24,000 to the Equipment Fund and \$48,000 to the Unappropriated Fund. **Motion carried unanimously.**

VISITORS None.

ADJOURNMENT It was voted on motion by Campbell, seconded by Glass, to adjourn the Meeting at 7:37 P.M. **Motion carried unanimously.**