

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING – JANUARY 6, 2020

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Patterson called the Washington Township Council Meeting to order on January 6, 2020 at 7:15 P.M. at the Washington Township Administration Building at 11800 Edinboro Road, Edinboro, PA 16412. Those present were Vice-Mayor Feikles, Councilmen Renick, Councilwomen Campbell and Laythe. Also present were Solicitor Schmidt, Engineer Halmi, Manager Anthony, Community Development Specialist Deborah Anthony and Zoning Officer Willow. Visitors were

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

COUNCIL MINUTES It was voted on motion by Campbell, seconded by Feikles, to approve the Minutes of the semi-monthly Council Meeting of December 17, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT The following checks presented for approval: General Fund #18739-18781 and manual check #18689, Water Fund #6089-6099, Sewer Fund #7912-7930, Developer's Fund #1103, and payroll checks #16612-16623, (Water) 10075 and (Sewer)10180. It was voted on motion by Campbell, second by Renick, to approve all the checks as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

SECRETARY'S REPORT Manager Anthony presented following report:

Mother Nature has been kind to the Road Crew this past month, we really only experienced two snow events that required our attention. This helped with the budget of 2019 by reducing overtime wages and allowing our antiskid and salt piles to remain in good shape going into the New Year. Crews were able to get in their last remaining vacation days as well as they weren't needed for snow removal. This has allowed for detailed review of the trucks and to get some much needed cleaning done in the garage. We are in good shape going into 2020.

The Sewer Department is having problems with a lift station not automatically switching over to auxiliary power. The generator system is functioning correctly, but it appears that something in the PLC has not allowing it to connect. We have called in experts in this technology to review the situation. This happened several years ago and required a change out of some electrical boards. We are confident that once they can review the situation, we will be able to rectify it appropriately.

The Water Department is having ongoing problems with telemetry unit from the water tank. This is hardwired and is maintained by Verizon. During warmer wet weather as we have been experiencing this past month, it fails and gives an alarm call to the operator. We have eliminated any problems with our equipment, but problems with moisture in the dedicated phone lines don't seem to be of major concern to Verizon. We will continue to let them know our concerns.

The Parks Department will be putting signs up on the Inspiration Park pond to warn people to not go on the ice that's forming on it. We will be building ice crosses and place them in close proximity as well. Seems some skiers were challenging themselves and treading across the pond. We will monitoring the ice thickness once winter returns just to see if we can utilize it for future activities.

CORRESPONDENCE None.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT Zoning Officer willow had no subdivisions to report but presented the year-end building report and a yearly comparison report.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT No report.

ENGINEER'S REPORT Engineer Halmi updated Council on the First Energy stormwater review.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PLANNING COMMISSION Vice-mayor Feikles presented the minutes of the December 17, 2019 meeting.

ZONING HEARING BOARD No Meeting.

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ERIE COUNTY ASSOCIATION No meeting. Campbell presented the ECATO Committee sign-up sheet.

EMA Mayor Patterson presented the Minutes of the December 12, 2019 Meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

TANDEM TRUCK Manager Anthony presented a quote from Stephenson Equipment for the truck hydraulics and **HYDRAULICS QUOTE** wing plow in the amount of \$36,950.00. **It was voted** on motion by Campbell, second by Renick, to approve the quote as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS

YEAR-END INVESTMENTS **It was voted** on motion by Campbell, seconded by Feikles, to approve the year-end investments as presented by Manager Anthony. **Motion carried unanimously.**

VISITORS None.

ADJOURNMENT **It was voted** on motion by Feikles, seconded by Renick, to adjourn the Meeting at 7:45 P.M. **Motion carried unanimously.**