

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING – MARCH 6, 2018

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Feikles called the Washington Township Council Meeting to order on March 6, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. at the Washington Township Administration Building at 11800 Edinboro Road, Edinboro, PA 16412. Those present were Councilmen Pernisek, Patterson and Glass. Vice-Mayor Campbell was absent. Also present were Manager Anthony, Community Development Specialist Deborah Anthony and Zoning Officer Willow. Visitors was Kathy Pernisek, Chuck Kanarr, Mike Russell, and Maryann Mook.

AGENDA It was voted on motion by Glass, seconded by Patterson, to approve the Agenda striking 8C, **APPROVAL** Edinboro Lake Resort Final plan, from the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

COUNCIL MINUTES It was voted on motion by Patterson, seconded by Pernisek, to approve the Minutes of the February 6, 2018 monthly Council Meeting. Motion carried unanimously. It was voted on motion by Glass, seconded by Patterson, to approve the Minutes of the February 20, 2018 Council meeting. Motion carried unanimously. It was voted on motion by Patterson, seconded by Pernisek, to approve the Minutes of the February 20, 2018 public hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT The following checks presented for approval: General Fund #17642-17686, Water Fund #5852-5864, Sewer Fund #7510-7524, State Fund check #2103, and payroll checks #16174-16183, (Water) 10058 and (Sewer)10135. It was voted on motion by Pernisek to approve all checks as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

SECRETARY'S REPORT Manager Anthony presented following report:

It is still early in the season, but the initial detailed review of the road conditions after this hard winter is looking very good. We have a few spots of alligator cracking in the pavement and minor potholes. We are comfortable saying that our efforts keep our roads seal-coated in rotational basis every 5 to 7 years has proven to be a wise investment. Our costs for cold patch should be much less and will most likely be planning another round of seal-coating this year. After the month of March passes we will be able to fully assess the situation and make recommendation to Council for the yearly road projects. As a reminder, we will be making our second payment from Liquid Fuels funds to the Redevelopment Group for the extensive pavement project we completed in 2016. Next year will be the last payment and this will free up approximately \$100,000 to be used for further enhancement of our roads. The Public Works Coordinator has been making good relations with some of our neighboring municipalities in an effort to jointly get some further road improvements. LeBoeuf Township is using our road plane and will be working with us on Smedley Rd that borders them. This road has received very little attention in the last 20 years and is long overdue for some major upgrades. We look forward to starting that project this year with their cooperation; in addition we will do some Zipping of a road for Waterford Township in exchange for some hauling of materials in the future. Washington Township is always willing to work together with our neighbors. We will be readying equipment for spring cleanup, ditching and brush removal as weather permits.

The Sewer and Water overdue fee collection program continues to be strong. Additional funds have been brought in and legal action has been avoided by several larger outstanding accounts. We still have some who refuse to acknowledge the situation and ignoring the problem will only exacerbate it. Most have been receptive to the aggressive process and are attempting to make good their outstanding balances. Many will take quite some time to become balanced, but we will continue to monitor them on weekly basis.

The Sewer Department is continuing its camera work when the unit is available. We hope to have a detailed report for Council in the near future that explains where we would like to focus our I & I efforts and let those with possible faulty laterals know about impending inspections that may result in them having to have repairs done to their lateral lines. Also we will work to put together a slip lining project for 2019 that will provide us the best use of our I & I line item towards reduction of flow to the Boro of Edinboro's waste water treatment plant.

Manager Anthony verbally informed Council of the continued pursuing of delinquent utility bills, of 17 lateral sewer lines in need of repair to curb I & I, and municipal cooperation between LeBoeuf and Waterford counties concerning shared road repairs.

CORRESPONDENCE None.

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ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT Zoning Officer Willow had no subdivisions to report but presented the monthly Building Report. The Edinboro Lake Resort final plan was stricken from the agenda due to not receiving the Township Engineer's final review.

SOLICITOR'S/ ENGINEER'S REPORT None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PLANNING COMMISSION Councilman Glass presented the minutes of the February 20, 2018 meeting.

ZONING HEARING BOARD No meeting.

ERIE COUNTY ASSOCIATION Councilwoman Campbell was absent; Manager Anthony presented the minutes of the January 25, 2018 meeting, the Firemen's Dinner invitation, and upcoming ECATO schools.

EMA Councilman Pernisek presented the Minutes of the February 2nd and February 16th, 2018 meetings.

OLD BUSINESS None.

NEW BUSINESS

2018 TAX WARRANT It was voted on motion by Glass, seconded by Patterson, to approve the 2018 Tax Warrant as presented, with Tax Collector Laurie Showman projected to collect \$333,192.31 in Township taxes. Motion carried unanimously.

VISITORS EMA Coordinator Chuck Kanarr introduced himself to Council as the new EMA Coordinator. Mike Russell of Edinboro Lake Resort, addressed Council concerning his final plans.

ADJOURNMENT It was voted on motion by Patterson, seconded by Feikles, to adjourn the Meeting at 7:20 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.