

## WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING – JUNE 6, 2017

**CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Glass called the Washington Township Council Meeting to order on June 6, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. at the Washington Township Administration Building at 11800 Edinboro Road, Edinboro, PA 16412.

Those present were Vice-Mayor Feikles, Councilwoman Campbell, and Councilman Pernisek. Councilman Patterson was absent. Also present were Solicitor Burroughs, Manager Anthony, Community Development Specialist Deborah Anthony, and Zoning Officer Willow. Visitors were Kathy Pernisek, Dave Powell, Bunny Bucho, Dan Bucho, Tracey Devies, Josh Swanson, Earl Koon, David Wallace, Ken Meyer, Laura Tighe, Matt Tighe, and Howard Henning.

**AGENDA** It was voted on motion by Campbell, seconded by Feikles, to approve the Agenda with deletion of **APPROVAL** 8A, Blount subdivision, and the move of 9A, Executive Session, and to the end of the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**COUNCIL MINUTES** It was voted on motion by Feikles, seconded by Campbell, to approve the Minutes of the semi-monthly Council Meeting of May 17, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

**TREASURER'S REPORT** The following checks presented for approval: General Fund #17177-17224 and manual check #17171-17172, Water Fund #5743-5762, Sewer Fund #7356-7372, State checks #2094-2095, and payroll checks #15999-16010, 10049 (Water) and (Sewer)10117. It was voted on motion by Campbell, second by Pernisek, to approve all the checks as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT** Manager Anthony presented following report:

Mother Nature has decided that lots of water was needed to make the grass grow and she has done a good job of that. We have completed one round of the Township, mowing with just the berm mower. This process will be repeated several times over the summer and fall, prior to installing the boom mower back on for reaching further back and trimming heavier brush.

The crew had a chance to brush up on its skills with the Zipper machine that we own. We did a small section for Waterford Township near the Township lines near Hill and Smedley Roads. We are confident that they are pleased with the results and that a mutual exchange of services can be anticipated in the future. Washington Township continues to work with its neighbors to improve relationships and cultivate cost savings measures for all of us.

We continue to prepare for the large Lay Road culvert replacement project. The supply contractor has been notified of the award and we are hoping to stay on target for a first of August installation. One easement has been signed and returned, we are waiting on one more. Discussion on the electric lines in the area will need to be reviewed again, as they are clearly in the way of the project. We will continue to seek out advice and direction from Penelec on how best to handle this situation so that all are safe and that a minimal amount of down time for electric customers is experienced.

Lastly, we seek Council's approval of David Hotchkiss as the new part-time parks employee. Mr. Hotchkiss is a long-time dairy farmer and continues to work his farm for crops and beef cows. His work ethic seems to fit well with that of Washington Township's and we look forward to his participation in the parks upkeep. His recommended starting rate is \$12 per hour on a temporary part-time basis. We anticipate his employment to last well in to October and perhaps he can assist in the wintertime with backup needs in emergency or in case of absenteeism by other road crew members.

It was voted on motion by Campbell, second by Glass, to approve hiring David Hotchkiss as a part-time temporary summer laborer at a rate of \$12.00 per hour. Motion carried unanimously.

**CORRESPONDENCE** Manager Anthony the following correspondence: An email from the Borough of Edinboro notifying the Township that Jon Foulkrod has been accepted on the Borough's Sewer Authority to represent the Township's interests, and a letter from Rob Estok requesting an ordinance change for mini warehouse in the C-1 zoning district. It was voted on motion by Glass, second by Pernisek, to send the ordinance change request to the Planning Commission for consideration. Motion carried unanimously.

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

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**SOLICITOR'S REPORT/ EXECUTIVE SESSION** Council entered in to Executive session at 8:15 P.M to discuss pending litigation. Council returned to regular session at 8:28 P.M.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**PLANNING COMM** Councilman Glass presented the Minutes of the May 17, 2107 Meeting.

**ZONING HEARING BOARD** No Meeting.

**ERIE COUNTY ASSOCIATION** Councilwoman Campbell discussed the ECARO Yearbook Dinner.

**VETERAN PARK COMM.** No Meeting.

**EMA** Councilman Pernisek presented the Minutes of the May 5, 2017 Meeting and presented the proposed Emergency Plan and the EMC contract. No action required.

### OLD BUSINESS

**2017 ROADS PROJECTS** Manager Anthony presented the following bids for Council's review:

<b>BID OPENINGS</b>	Seal coat:	SuitKote	single seal	\$1.033	\$204,534.00
	(sq yd)		double seal	\$2.75	\$16,500.00
		Russell Std.	single seal	\$1.02	\$201,960.00
			double seal	\$3.208	\$19,248.00

**It was voted** on motion by Glass, seconded by Feikles, to approve combined the bids from SuitKote.  
**Motion carried unanimously.**

Paving:	Russell Std.	\$78.03	\$28,090.80
(Per ton)	Cross	\$76.46	\$27,525.60
	McCormick	\$110.00	\$39,600.00
	Mayer Bros.	\$125.00	\$45,000.00

**It was voted** on motion by Glass, seconded by Feikles, to approve paving bid from Cross Paving.  
**Motion carried unanimously.**

**PROPOSED NOISE ORDINANCE** Manager Anthony presented a draft copy of a noise ordinance for Council's review.

**It was voted** on motion by Campbell, seconded by Glass, to approve advertising proposed Ordinance #2-17 for public hearing on July 5, 2017 at 7:30 P.M. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**SOCIAL CLUB ELECTRIC EASEMENT** **It was voted** on motion by Glass, seconded by Pernisek, to approve the electric line easement for the Fire Department Social Club to be built at 1000 Washington Drive and to have the Manager sign said easement for Council. **Motion carried unanimously.**

### NEW BUSINESS

**VELOCITY.NET AGREEMENT** Manager Anthony presented an agreement with Velocity.net for fiber optic lines to be placed in the Township's right-of-ways. Council's review. **It was voted** on motion by Campbell, seconded by Feikles, to approve the agreement with a 5% of total revenues to be paid to the Township. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**ADOPTION OF ORD. #2-17** **It was voted** on motion by Glass, seconded by Campbell, to approve Ordinance #2-17, medical marijuana facilities, as presented. **Voting in favor** were Pernisek, Glass and Campbell. **Voting opposed** was Feikles. **Motion carried.**

**PSATS ACT 172 UPDATE** Manager Anthony presented the PSATS Act 172, concerning the option for the Township to offer real estate or earned income tax credits for active members of volunteer fire departments or emergency medical service agencies. No action required.

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**PSATS RESOLUTIONS** Manager Anthony presented a list of PSATS resolutions for Council's review. No action  
**UPDATE** required.

**VISITORS** Matt Tighe, Bunny Bucho, Dan Bucho, Laura Tighe, and Tracey Devies addressed Council concerning the recent rezoning of a portion of Lovett's Mobile Home Park, their appeal of the decision and stormwater issues affecting bordering landowners. Josh Swanson spoke in favor of the Lovett's Mobile Home Park rezoning. John Snyder, David Wallace and others addressed Council concerning recycling. Erie County Recycling has decided to remove the recycling bins from Washington Township site due to costs associated with trash and other unrecyclable items being dumped. Manager Anthony will research alternatives for the Township to consider their own recycling program.

**ADJOURNMENT** It was voted on motion by Campbell, seconded by Feikles, to adjourn the Meeting at 8:29 P.M.  
Motion carried unanimously.