

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING – JULY 19, 2016

CALL TO ORDER Vice-Mayor Campbell called the Washington Township Council Meeting to order on July 19, 2016 at 4:00 P.M. at the Washington Township Administration Building at 11800 Edinboro Road, Edinboro, PA 16412. Those present were Councilmen Glass, Patterson and Pernisek. Mayor Feikles and were absent. Also present were Manager David Anthony, Community Development Specialist Deborah Anthony and Zoning Administrator Norman Willow. Visitors were Andrew Jarvi and Abbey Hudson.

AGENDA It was voted on motion by Pernisek, second by Glass, to approve the agenda as presented.
APPROVAL Motion carried unanimously.

COUNCIL MINUTES It was voted on motion by Glass, second by Patterson, to approve the Minutes of the July 5, 2016 Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT The following checks presented for approval: General Fund #16675-16678, Sewer Fund #7149, and payroll #15802-15809 and (Sewer) 10094. It was voted on motion by Glass, second by Pernisek, to approve all the checks as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

SECRETARY'S REPORT Manager Anthony gave the following verbal report:
there was a situation last weekend at Wainer Park when two parties rented the pavilions for events. Both parties were in excess of 50 people, which by our rental application, requires the renters to rent extra port-a-johns. The Manager recommended that Council change the rental agreement to require extra port-a-johns be required if their parties are in excess of 25 people. The Lay Road culvert work has been interrupted due to a complaint received by the DEP that the Township equipment was in the stream. This was incorrect, the crew was applying concrete to the bottom of the culvert pipe to extend its lifespan. A hearing was held at the District Magistrate's office for the Abdallah two conditional use violations. The District Justice has five days to respond with the determination.
It was voted on motion by Patterson, second by Pernisek, to approve the rental agreement change as presented. Voting in favor were Patterson, Pernisek, and Campbell. Voting opposed was Glass.
Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE Manager Anthony presented an update of the July 6, 2016 Quad Race sponsored by Highmark that utilizes Township roads, a letter from General Code concerning updates to the Township's E-Code, and a report on the Rice Road dump site clean-up. No action required.

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

ENGINEER'S REPORT None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SEWER & WATER AUTH. Mayor Feikles did not attend this council meeting; Manager Anthony presented the Minutes of the May 12, 2016 Meeting and the monthly flow report.

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FIRE DEPT. Councilman Pernisek updated Council on the proposed Social Hall plans.

WATERSHED ASSOC. Vice-Mayor Campbell gave verbal report on the Growing Greener Grant application.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

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SEWER OPERATOR Manager Anthony informed Council of Ernie Robinson's inability to gain an operator's license for the Township's lift stations and Kline Road plant within a reasonable timeframe. Manager Anthony has decided to lay off Mr. Robinson and hire an operator that has the necessary certifications and requests Council considers re-hiring Kevin Taylor as sewer operator at a salary set at \$50,000.00, declining health benefits and the \$1,000 Council contribution for an HSA. Mr. Taylor was previously the Township's operator and is familiar with the operations. **It was voted** on motion by Patterson, second by Glass, to approve the re-hiring of Mr. Taylor as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

VISITORS Andrew Jarvi, the newly appointed Emergency Management Coordinator, addressed Council on the EMA and his proposed changes he wishes to make within the organization. Manager Anthony expressed concerns about the Township's monthly cost for the Association and asked if services were duplicated with the Erie County Public Safety. Jarvi stated his organization was better trained and would help the Township with the FEMA mitigation requirements.

ADJOURNMENT **It was voted** on motion by Glass, seconded by Patterson, to adjourn at 4:24 P.M. **Motion carried unanimously.**