

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING – SEPTEMBER 15, 2020

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Patterson called the Washington Township Council Meeting to order on September 15, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. at the Washington Township Administration Building at 11800 Edinboro Road, Edinboro, PA 16412. Those present were Vice-Mayor Feikles, Councilman Renick, and Councilpersons Laythe and Campbell. Also present were Manager Anthony, Community Development Specialist Deborah Anthony and Zoning Office Norman Willow. Visitors were Mike Christ, Frank Tucci, Art Meade, Frank Soboleski, Terry Kilburn, Tom Hilburn, Mike Marcinko, and Nate Latimer.

AGENDA It was voted on motion by Feikles, second by Campbell, to approve the Agenda as presented.

APPROVAL Motion carried unanimously.

COUNCIL MINUTES It was voted on motion by Campbell, second by Renick, to approve the Minutes of the semi-monthly Council Meeting of September 1, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT The following checks presented for approval: General Fund #19149-19152, Sewer Fund #8072, and payroll checks #16776-16783, and (Sewer)10197. It was voted on motion by Renick, second by Feikles, to approve all the checks as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

SECRETARY'S REPORT Manager Anthony gave the following verbal report: A draft 2020 Budget will be ready at the first Council meeting on October, with a final Budget being presented in November for Council's review. We have applied millings to 500' of road surface on Fey Road, a cooperative effort with Franklin Township to improve a shared road. One of the Township employees hit a piece of metal, causing it to hit a car parked in the Township parking lot. The insurance company has been contacted and will cover the repair. Our IT representative has reviewed Council's request to investigate the cost of streaming Council meetings. The cost will be approximately \$1,200.00 - \$1,500.00 for basic streaming. Councilman Renick expressed concerns about the availability of internet service throughout Washington Township as only 25-30% of residents has internet service and would not be in favor of said costs. No action taken at this time.

CORRESPONDENCE None.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT Zoning Officer Willow presented the Soboleski subdivision for Council's review. It was voted on motion by Campbell, second by Feikles, to approve the Soboleski subdivision as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Willow also gave a brief enforcement report.

SOLICITOR/ ENGINEER'S REPORT None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SEWER & WATER AUTHORITY Mayor Patterson presented the minutes of the September 10, 2020 meeting, the flow report and the 10-year Township/ Borough flow comparison chart.

EDINBORO LIAISON Councilwoman Campbell gave a verbal report of the last meeting.

EDINBORO FIRE DEPT. Councilman Renick gave a verbal report of the last meeting.

WATERSHED ASSOC. Councilman Renick gave a verbal report of the last meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

DRAFT ORD. # 3-20 It was voted on motion by Laythe, second by Campbell, to approve advertising for **SOLAR FARMS** Ordinance #3-20 for a public hearing and possible adoption on October 20, 2020, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

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ASST. MGR POSITION Manager Anthony updated Council on the applicants for the Assistant Manager position. Mayor Patterson appointed Feikles and Renick to a committee including Manager Anthony to review the resumes received and make recommendations of prospective applicants to Council.

NEW BUSINESS

SUGG. DUMPSTER ORDINANCE Manager Anthony presented a proposed ordinance from Ken Meyer for concealing dumpsters from the roadside. Council will investigate and consider said proposed ordinance in the future.

PENSION AUDIT NOTICE Manager Anthony presented a notice from Commonwealth of Pennsylvania informing Council of an upcoming audit of the Township's pension plan. No action required.

VISITORS Mike Marcinko addressed Council with concerns of the recent Racism Has No Home Here march that took place in Edinboro and the involvement of Councilperson Laythe in said protest.

EXECUTIVE SESSION Council entered in to Executive Session at 4:38 P.M. and reconvened at 4:54 P.M. to discuss personnel issues.

ADJOURNMENT It was voted on motion by Campbell, second by Feikles, to adjourn the Meeting at 4:55 P.M.
Motion carried unanimously.