

## WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING – SEPTEMBER 6, 2016

**CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Feikles called the Washington Township Council Meeting to order on September 6, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. at the Washington Township Administration Building at 11800 Edinboro Road, Edinboro, PA 16412. Those present were Vice-Mayor Campbell, Councilmen Pernisek, Patterson and Glass. Also present were Manager Anthony, Community Development Specialist Deborah Anthony and Zoning Administrator Willow. Visitors were Abbey Hudson, Bill Fendya, and Shirley Cooling.

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

**COUNCIL MINUTES** **It was voted** on motion by Glass, second by Campbell, to approve the Minutes of the semi-monthly Council Meeting of August 16, 2016. **Motion carried unanimously. It was voted** on motion by Campbell, second by Glass, to approve the Minutes of the public hearing of August 16, 2016. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**TREASURER'S REPORT** The following checks presented for approval: General Fund #16729-16766 and manual check #16721, Water Fund #5635-5645 and manual check #5616, Sewer Fund #7168-7186, State Fund #2085-2086, and payroll checks #15830-15841, #10039 (Water), and (Sewer) 10099. **It was voted** on motion by Glass, second by Campbell, to approve all the checks as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

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

We are pleased to report that all of the contracted road projects for 2016 have been completed on time and within budget. This year saw the largest amount of roadway improvements than ever before, taking advantage of lower oil costs over the spectrum of procedures we contracted out, saved the Township a considerable amount of money. If we can continue with a diligent maintenance program and avoid any major catastrophes, we will see the roads in the Township improve even more. We will be installing the new pipes at the Obed Heights, and return to ditching and brush removal in the near future. We also have some seal coating to be done by our crews, as time and money allows. Antiskid will be hauled in preparation of the winter needs.

Some improvements to the Kline Road treatment plant performed in-house will increase the quality of the operation. We had to have some material pumped out as general maintenance practices. This is a yearly requirement and may be performed twice a year as needed. The low flow at this plant can be a challenge at times for the operator. The lift station at Baron's is scheduled for the change out to an e-one system in September. A couple of minor items need to be considered before the final project is completed.

The water system has once again completed the cleaning of the main tank behind Walmart. The crews have this down to a science and get it completed very quickly. This adds to the quality of your system and long-term maintenance. It provides us the opportunity to visually inspect the interior of the tank for any possible problems that could arise. We are pleased to report that nothing of any major concern has been noted. In the future, we will have the techs perform a more detailed review to assist in planning for other repairs or upgrades that may be needed to safeguard our system. We have several employees who are licensed and skilled at the operation of the plant. We are very confident in our water production and quality.

We anticipate the connection of the relocated main waterline near the O'Reilly's Auto Parts store to be completed in the near future. An exact schedule is pending from the developer.

**CORRESPONDENCE** Manager Anthony presented the following correspondence: A tax-exempt notice from Erie County assessment for the Tan property in which the tax exempt status was granted. No action required.

**ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT** Zoning Officer Willow presented the Edinboro Elementary stormwater plan and the monthly Building Report. **It was voted** on motion by Glass, seconded by Feikles, to approve the Edinboro Elementary stormwater plan as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**SOLICITOR'S/ ENGINEER'S REPORT** None.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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**PLANNING COMMISSION** Councilman Glass presented the Minutes of the August 16, 2016 Meeting.

**ZONING HEARING BOARD** No Meeting.

**ERIE COUNTY ASSOCIATION** Vice-Mayor Campbell informed Council of the ECATO picnic in lieu of a meeting.

**ERIE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION** No report.

**VERTERAN PARK COMM.** Mayor Feikles did not attend the last meeting but presented the Minutes of the August 9, 2016 Meeting.

**EMA** Councilman Pernisek presented the Minutes of the August 5, 2016 Meeting.

### OLD BUSINESS

**MANAGER'S CONTRACT/ EXECUTIVE SESSION** It was voted on motion by Campbell, seconded by Glass, to discuss the Manager's contract in Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously. Council entered in to Executive Session at 7:33 P.M. and reconvened in regular session at 7:37 P.M. It was voted on motion by Glass, seconded by Patterson, to approve the Manager's 2017-2018 contract with a 2% wage increase over the next two years and an additional contribution to his health savings account. Motion carried unanimously.

**O'REILLY'S WATER LINE UPDATE** Manager Anthony presented a letter from A.W. McCay for O'Reilly Auto Parts on Route 6N, who will install a water line bypass and stop as agreed to on August 16, 2016. No action required.

### NEW BUSINESS

**ACT 205 FINANCIAL OBLIGATION** Manager Anthony presented the Act 205 Financial Obligation for pension reimbursements for Council's review. It was voted on motion by Campbell, seconded by Pernisek, to approve the estimated yearly pension contributions for the employees in the amount of \$39,114.00. Motion carried unanimously.

**RES. #9-16 FRANCHISE TRANSFER** Manager Anthony presented Resolution #9-16, the transfer of the Coaxial Franchise Agreement to the new owner, Armstrong Cable, which is a 15-year contract signed in 2009. The said contract may be reviewed by either party if agreed upon by the Township and Armstrong Cable every five years. It was voted on motion by Campbell, seconded by Pernisek, to approve the franchise transfer as presented. Voting in favor were Campbell, Feikles, Glass, and Pernisek. Voting opposed was Patterson. Motion carried.

**VISITORS** Shirley Cooling, a resident at 5475 Grandview Avenue, reported to Council of a semi-truck cab parked next to her residence that she stated obstructs traffic and causes diesel fumes in her home. She asked Council to pass an ordinance prohibiting said trucks from parking in the residential area. Council discussed the matter and considered changing the R-3 zoning to prohibit such parking. Council will have the Planning Commission review their parking ordinance.

**ADJOURNMENT** It was voted on motion by Campbell, seconded by Glass, to adjourn the Meeting at 7:48 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.