

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING – NOVEMBER 8, 2017

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Glass called the Washington Township Council Meeting to order on November 8, 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, Councilmen Patterson and Pernisek. Also present were Manager Anthony, Community Development Specialist Deborah Anthony, and Zoning Officer Willow. Visitors were Kathy Pernisek, Dennis Snyder and Denise Snyder.

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

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

TREASURER'S REPORT The following checks presented for approval: General Fund #17452-17503 and manual checks #17236-17327, Water Fund #5808-5815, Sewer Fund #7447-7461, State Fund #2101, and payroll checks #16100-16110 and 10054 (Water) and 10127 (Sewer). It was voted on motion by Feikles, second by Patterson, to approve all the checks as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

SECRETARY'S REPORT Manager Anthony presented following report:

We have received a rerating for the Leacock Road Bridge that was rehabbed this past September. It was lowered to only 3 ton due to the degradation of the steel beams that carried the decking. After replacement of all affected beams we left the some outside beams that were still in good condition. The engineers have rerated the structure based on Beams 3-13 being replaced which was confirmed via photos. The 3-Ton posting that was recommended on August 9, 2017 was based on a rating completed by the engineers. This rating reflected section loss found on Beam 7 during their recent inspection. That beam was included in the recent beam replacement and no longer controls the posting level. After placement of the new beams, the posting again is controlled by beam 2 (which was not recently replaced). An analysis completed on beam 2 was completed in 2011 by CCJM and shows that the Safe Load Capacity posting for the bridge should be "21 Tons Except Combinations 29 Tons" based on the superstructure and substructure condition rating of 3. This is good news and may even be increased upon a future regularly scheduled bridge inspection. The General McLane School District can now return to busing students over the bridge without concern. This has been a problem bridge for us for a number of years, but we should be good now that the beams have been ungraded and the underpinning has been hopefully rectified during the rehabilitation.

After the November payments, we will be finalizing a proposed 2018 budget for Council's consideration at the next meeting. This will allow for advertisement and comments from the public prior to possible adoption in December. It looks as though 2018 will be just as busy as this past year with another culvert replacement, equipment replacements and upgrades to Florek Rd.

As reported, we are having an employee begin the training process for water system operations in anticipation of changes in the future. This is a lengthy process and to feel comfortable with a far in the future transition will take time. We take the operation of our public infrastructure very seriously.

CORRESPONDENCE Manager Anthony presented a proposed resolution as required by the Commonwealth for Council's consideration concerning the new mini-casinos within Washington Township. Council requested Manager Anthony draft a resolution for said request and present it at the next meeting.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PLANNING COMM No Meeting. Council received the resignation from Sean Kineston. It was voted on motion by Campbell, seconded by Glass, to accept the resignation as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

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ZONING HEARING BOARD No Meeting.

ERIE COUNTY ASSOCIATION Minutes unavailable. Councilwoman Campbell gave a verbal report on the County Convention.

VETERAN PARK COMM. Minutes were unavailable.

EMA Councilman Pernisek presented the Minutes of the October 6, 2017 Meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

WALTERS AVENUE TRAFFIC STUDY Manager Anthony presented the traffic study on Walter Avenue for a proposed one-way traffic pattern. **It was voted** on motion by Glass, seconded by Patterson, to continue two-way traffic on Walters Avenue. **Motion carried unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS None.

VISITORS Dennis Snyder asked Council if any review of the recent storm damage had been completed by FEMA or any other agency within Washington Township. Mr. Snyder's house roof was torn off by the storm. To date, no communications have been received by the Township.

ADJOURNMENT **It was voted** on motion by Patterson, seconded by Feikles, to adjourn the Meeting at 7:30 P.M. **Motion carried unanimously.**