

WILSON BOROUGH
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY
PENNSYLVANIA
June 27, 2022

The second meeting of June the Council of The Borough of Wilson was held in the Guy B. Tomaino Public Safety Building at 2040 Hay Terrace, Easton, PA. Council President John Burke called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Roll call followed.

PRESENT:

John Burke	Shaun Gable	Scott Palinkas
Justin Woodring	Russell Lipari	Kurt Snyder
James McGowan	Tony Verenna	

ABSENT:

Jeffrey Bracken

Also present were Solicitor Stanley Margle, Borough Manager Jill Garcia, Chief of Police Christian Meehan, Supervisor of Public Works Eric Flowers and Code Officer Emanuel Machado.

READING OF THE MINUTES:

Motion by Mr. McGowan to approve the Meeting minutes from June 13, 2022. Second by Ms. Gable. Roll call vote followed. Yes votes cast by Mr. Burke, Ms. Gable, Mr. Lipari, Mr. McGowan, Mr. Palinkas, Mr. Verenna, Mr. Snyder, and Mr. Woodring. Motion passed with an 8-0 vote.

GUEST:

NONE

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS:

Ms. Garcia advised she received a request from the residents of the 1800 Block of Fairview Ave. to close the street on July 4, 2022, from 8 am-10 pm to hold a block party. A motion to approve made by Mr. Lipari. Second by Mr. Verenna. Roll call vote followed. Yes votes cast by Mr. Burke, Ms. Gable, Mr. Lipari, Mr. McGowan, Mr. Palinkas, Mr. Verenna, Mr. Snyder, and Mr. Woodring. Motion passed with an 8-0 vote.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT:

NONE

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:

NONE

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOROUGH MANAGER:

Ms. Garcia advised the Borough Engineers would like to begin Phase 2 at the Balata St building. Solicitor Margle advised he will draft an agreement between the Borough and the building's owner for the next Council meeting.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

NONE

PROTECTION TO PERSONS & PROPERTY

NONE

POLICE:

NONE

FIRE:

NONE

PUBLIC WORKS:

A motion made by Mr. Lipari to hire both candidates that interviewed for the open Public Works position. Candidates will start at the minimum and are required to get their CDL permit within 30 days. Mr. Flowers agrees hiring both is beneficial to his department. Second by Ms. Gable. Roll call vote followed. Yes votes cast by Mr. Burke, Ms. Gable, Mr. Lipari, Mr. McGowan, Mr. Palinkas, Mr. Verenna, and Mr. Woodring. No vote cast by Mr. Snyder. Motion passed with a 7-1 vote.

PARKS:

NONE

CODE COMMITTEE:

Next meeting will be held on July 11, 2022, at 6 pm in Council Chambers.

CELEBRATION COMMITTEE:

Mr. Burke advised of a comedy night fundraiser for the Celebration Committee on July 16, 2022, at the Brown and Lynch American Legion in Palmer Township.

ATHLETIC COMMISSION:

NONE

CODE DEPARTMENT:

NONE

ATTORNEY:

Solicitor Margle advised he is finalizing an agreement with the buyers of the Dixie Building.

Solicitor Margle advised that he will be meeting with Code Officer Emanuel Machado and Zoning Solicitor Nitchkey on June 29, 2022, to discuss the Borough's parking ordinance.

Solicitor Margle advised there is an equitable buyer interested in the former Pfizer tract who will be coming to Council with a land development plan in the near future.

MECAB:

NONE

OLD BUSINESS:

NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Verenna asked Ms. Jones how many overdue sewer/garbage accounts we currently have. Ms. Jones advised she will have numbers at the next meeting.

ORDINANCES:

NONE

RESOLUTIONS:

NONE

PRESENTATION OF MATTERS BY RESIDENTS AND TAXPAYERS:

Mr. Kevin Kiernan of 1634 Ferry St. requested Council's permission to block off the 1900 Block of Fairview Ave. for the annual block party. A motion made by Mr. Verenna to approve. Second by Mr. Lipari. Roll call vote followed. Yes votes cast by Mr. Burke, Ms. Gable, Mr. Lipari, Mr. McGowan, Mr. Palinkas, Mr. Verenna, Mr. Snyder, and Mr. Woodring. Motion passed with an 8-0 vote.

Mr. Biagio Parascandolo of 721 S. 23rd Street expressed concern about commercial vehicles using 23rd Street. Chief Meehan advised there is no law preventing the trucks from driving on S 23rd Street.

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS:

Bills were in the amount of \$147,800.34 A motion to approve the bills made Mr. Verenna. Second by Mr. Snyder. Yes votes cast by Mr. Burke, Ms. Gable, Mr. Lipari, Mr. McGowan, Mr. Palinkas, Mr. Verenna, Mr. Snyder, and Mr. Woodring. Motion passed with an 8-0 vote.

CAUCUS:

A motion to enter a caucus made by Mr. Lipari. Second by Mr. Palinkas. Council entered into caucus at 8:00 pm and exited at 8:15 pm. Matters discussed are matters permitted under the Sunshine Act.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Lipari made a Motion to adjourn at 8:30 pm. Second by Mr. Snyder and Council concurred.

STEPHANIE N. JONES
BOROUGH CLERK/TREASUER