

WILSON BOROUGH
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY
PENNSYLVANIA
July 25, 2022

The second meeting of July of 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	Kurt Snyder	Jeffrey Bracken
James McGowan	Tony Verenna	Russell Lipari

ABSENT:

NONE

Also present were Solicitor Stanley Margle, Borough Manager Jill Garcia, Chief of Police Christian Meehan, Fire Chief Joseph Sipel, 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 July 18, 2022. Second by Mr. Lipari. Roll call vote followed. Yes votes cast by Mr. Bracken, Mr. Burke, Ms. Gable, Mr. Lipari, Mr. McGowan, Mr. Palinkas, Mr. Verenna and Mr. Snyder. Motion passed with an 8-0 vote.

SWEARING IN:

Firefighter Adam Emsweller was sworn in as Lieutenant of the Fire Department by Mayor Barrett. Council offered congratulations and best wishes.

GUEST:

NONE

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS:

Ms. Garcia advised she received a request from the Mary Meuser Memorial Library asking permission to close N. 18th Street from Northampton St. to the alley to hold its annual bookfair. The fair will be held September 10, 2022, from 9 am to 3 pm and September 11, 2022, from 9 am to 2 pm. A motion to approve made by Mr. Lipari. Second by Mr. Snyder. Roll call vote followed. Yes votes cast by Mr. Bracken, Mr. Burke, Ms. Gable, Mr. Lipari, Mr. McGowan, Mr. Palinkas, Mr. Verenna and Mr. Snyder. Motion passed with an 8-0 vote.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT:

Mr. Burke advised that at their next meeting on August 4, 2022, Northampton County Council will conduct a vote on a LERTA for the Dixie Property.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:

NONE

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOROUGH MANAGER:

Ms. Garcia advised PennDOT has approved the Green Light Go Grant Award of \$173,000 for traffic light improvements at 18th and Northampton Streets.

Ms. Garcia advised that Council had received a copy of a paving agreement with UGI and she requested a motion. A motion to accept made by Mr. Verenna. Second by Mr. Lipari. Roll call vote followed. Yes votes cast by Mr. Bracken, Mr. Burke, Ms. Gable, Mr. Lipari, Mr. McGowan, Mr. Palinkas, Mr. Verenna and Mr. Snyder. Motion passed with an 8-0 vote.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

NONE

POLICE:

NONE

FIRE:

NONE

PUBLIC WORKS:

NONE

PARKS:

NONE

CODE COMMITTEE:

The next meeting will be held on August 8, 2022, at 6 pm in Council Chambers.

CELEBRATION COMMITTEE:

The next Committee meeting will be held July 28, 2022, at 6:30 pm in the Community Center.

ATHLETIC COMMISSION:

NONE.

CODE DEPARTMENT:

Code Officer Machado advised the Zoning hearing scheduled for July 26, 2022, will be postponed.

Code Officer Machado advised there will be a Planning Commission meeting on August 2, 2022, at 7 pm in Council Chambers.

ATTORNEY:

NONE

MECAB:

NONE

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Verenna asked Ms. Jones how sewer collections efforts are going. Ms. Jones advised there are 242 accounts past due totaling \$140,193.10

NEW BUSINESS:

NONE

ORDINANCES:

NONE

RESOLUTIONS:

NONE

PRESENTATION OF MATTERS BY RESIDENTS AND TAXPAYERS:

Mr. Rod Nace of 807 Balata St. and Ms. Anne Scheuring of Hometown Heroes discussed the process of having banners made to hang around the Borough.

Mr. Charlie Wacik of 1532 Washington St. stated he would like to see the Hometown Hero Banners.

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS:

Bills were in the amount of \$407,245.49 A motion to approve the bills made Mr. Verenna. Second by Ms. Lipari. Yes votes cast by Mr. Bracken, Mr. Burke, Ms. Gable, Mr. Lipari, Mr. McGowan, Mr. Palinkas, Mr. Verenna, Mr. Snyder, and Mr. Woodring. Motion passed with a 9-0 vote.

CAUCUS:

NONE

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Verenna made a Motion to adjourn at 7:50 pm. Second by Mr. Snyder and Council concurred.

STEPHANIE N. JONES
BOROUGH CLERK/TREASUER