

WILSON BOROUGH  
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY  
PENNSYLVANIA  
February 26, 2024

The second meeting of February 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:

Russell Lipari	Susan Allen	Kimberlee Muzac
John Burke	Shaun Gable	Jeffrey Bracken
Charles Wacik	Scott Palinkas	Justin Woodring

ABSENT:

NONE

Also present were Solicitor Stanley Margle, Borough Manager Jill Garcia, Fire Chief Joseph Sipel, Police Chief Christian Meehan and Public Works Supervisor Eric Flowers.

READING OF THE MINUTES:

A motion by Mr. Wacik to approve the minutes from the February 12, 2024, meeting. Second by Mr. Lipari. A roll call vote followed. Yes votes cast by Ms. Allen, Mr. Bracken, Mr. Burke, Ms. Gable, Mr. Lipari, Ms. Muzac, Mr. Palinkas, Mr. Wacik and Mr. Woodring. Motion passed with a 9-0 vote.

GUEST:

NONE

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS:

NONE

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT:

NONE

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:

NONE

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOROUGH MANAGER:

NONE

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

NONE

PROTECTION TO PERSONS & PROPERTY

Ms. Gable advised the next meeting will be held on 3/19/2024 at 4:30pm.

POLICE:

Chief Meehan requested Council's permission to apply for a non-matching PCCD Recruitment Grant for approximately \$20,000. A motion to approve made by Mr. Wacik. Seconded by Mr. Palinkas. Yes votes cast by Ms. Allen, Mr. Bracken, Mr. Burke, Ms. Gable, Mr. Lipari, Ms. Muzac, Mr. Palinkas, Mr. Wacik and Mr. Woodring. Motion passed with a 9-0 vote.

Chief Meehan advised the department was asked to join the Lehigh Valley Domestic Task Force.

FIRE:

Chief Sipel requested Council's permission to hire a Vo-Tech Emergency Services student for a Co-Op program where the student would work 2 hours each day; Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Fridays completing tasks assigned to him or her. The student would be paid minimum wage and would not be allowed to fight fires or drive any vehicles. Motion by Mr. Bracken. Second by Ms. Gable. Yes votes cast by Ms. Allen, Mr. Bracken, Mr. Burke, Ms. Gable, Mr. Lipari, Ms. Muzac, Mr. Palinkas, Mr. Wacik and Mr. Woodring. Motion passed with a 9-0 vote.

Chief Siple requested Council's permission to sell the old rescue truck. A motion to sell made by Mr. Woodring. Second by Ms. Gable. Yes votes cast by Ms. Allen, Mr. Bracken, Mr. Burke, Ms. Gable, Mr. Lipari, Ms. Muzac, Mr. Palinkas, Mr. Wacik and Mr. Woodring. Motion passed with a 9-0 vote.

PUBLIC WORKS

NONE

PARKS:

NONE

CODE COMMITTEE:

NONE

CELEBRATION COMMITTEE:

NONE

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:

NONE

CODE DEPARTMENT/ZONING/LAND DEVELOPMENT:

Next meeting will be 3/11/24 at 6 pm.

ATTORNEY:

Solicitor Margle advised he will be meeting with Mr. Beatty and his attorney.

MECAB:

NONE

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Bracken asked what the status is on the Police Station. Solicitor Margle advised there are 2 more preclosing matters to be addressed and closing should be at the end of March.

NEW BUSINESS:

NONE

ORDINANCES:

NONE

RESOLUTIONS:

NONE

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS:

Bills were in the amount of \$55,121.49. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Gable Seconded by Mr. Wacik. Yes votes cast by Ms. Allen, Mr. Bracken, Mr. Burke, Ms. Gable, Mr. Lipari, Ms. Muzac, Mr. Palinkas, Mr. Wacik and Mr. Woodring. Motion passed with a 9-0 vote.

PRESENTATION OF MATTERS BY RESIDENTS AND TAXPAYERS:

Mr. Mark McCarty of 2339 2<sup>nd</sup> St. expressed concerns regarding the potential sale of the Dixie building.

Mr. Richard Siebler of 1906 Butler St. expressed concerns about properties on Butler Street.

CAUCUS:

NONE

ADJOURNMENT:

Ms. Allen made a Motion to adjourn at 7:40 pm. Seconded by Mr. Wacik and Council concurred.

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STEPHANIE N. JONES  
CLERK/TREASURER