

WILSON BOROUGH
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY
PENNSYLVANIA
March 11, 2024

The first meeting of March 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 26, 2024, meeting. Second by Mr. Bracken. 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:

Mayor Barrett requested Council's permission to authorize the Solicitor to request rulings from the District Magistrate, for the previous two years. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Woodring. Seconded by Ms. Gable. 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.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOROUGH MANAGER:

Ms. Garcia advised one bid was received for the traffic signal reconstruction project at 18th and Northampton Streets. The bid was from Telco Inc. Borough engineers recommend awarding the bid to Telco. Mr. Lipari made a motion to award the bid to Telco Inc. Seconded by Mr. Wacik. 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.

Ms. Garcia requested Council's permission allow members to attend the Spring PSAB Conference. She also noted that there is currently \$5,500 in the budget for conferences and a total conference package is estimated at \$1,300 per attendee. Ms. Gable made a motion to approve. Seconded by Mr. Woodring. 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.

Ms. Garcia advised there will be three Zoning Hearings on March 26, 2024; 201 Wood Ave., 2140 Ferry St., and 1540-42 Lehigh St./1530 Washington St.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

NONE

PROTECTION TO PERSONS & PROPERTY

POLICE:

NONE

FIRE:

NONE

PUBLIC WORKS

NONE

PARKS:

NONE

CODE COMMITTEE:

NONE

CELEBRATION COMMITTEE:

Mr. Burke requested Council's permission to use Meuser Park and Strausser Community Center for the Easter Egg Hunt on March 30, 2024. A motion to approve was made by Ms. Gable. Seconded by Mr. Bracken. 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.

Mr. Burke requested Council's permission to use Meuser Park and Strausser Community Center for the Spring Fling on May 3-5, 2024. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Bracken . Seconded by Ms. Gable. 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.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:

NONE

CODE DEPARTMENT/ZONING/LAND DEVELOPMENT:

NONE

ATTORNEY:

Solicitor Margle advised the Dixie preclosing items are being completed.

A motion to authorize Borough Engineer and Solicitor to contact applicant requesting merging parcels for 1723 and 1725 Northampton St. made by Ms. Gable. Seconded by Mr. Woodring. 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.

MECAB:

NONE

OLD BUSINESS:

NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

NONE

ORDINANCES:

NONE

RESOLUTIONS:

NONE

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS:

Bills were in the amount of \$233,072.48. 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. Richard Siebler of 1906 Butler St. commented issues with 1850 Butler St.

Mr. Walter Lehr of 2444 Freemansburg Ave. commented on parking issues in his neighborhood.

CAUCUS:

NONE

ADJOURNMENT:

Ms. Wacik made a Motion to adjourn at 7:53 pm. Seconded by Mr. Gable and Council concurred.

STEPHANIE N. JONES
CLERK/TREASURER