WILSON BOROUGH NORTHAMPTON COUNTY PENNSYLVANIA June 23, 2025

The Second meeting of June 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	Shaun Gable	Michael Figueroa	Grace Hurd	Kimberlee Muzac
Susan Allen	Charles Wacik	Jeffrey Bracken	John Burke	

ABSENT:

NONE

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

READING OF THE MINUTES:

A motion to approve meeting minutes from June 9, 2025, made by Mr. Wacik. Second by Mr. Bracken. A roll call vote followed. Yes votes cast by Ms. Allen, Mr. Burke, Mr. Bracken, Ms. Gable, Ms. Hurd, Mr. Figueroa, Mr. Lipari, Ms. Muzac and Mr. Wacik. Motion passed with a 9-0 vote.

GUEST:

Mr. Rakesh Anandani and Mr. Tarek Shehab requested approval for proposed site improvements associated with conversion of the existing building into a used auto dealer and twelve apartments located at 1700 Butler St. A motion to approve made by Ms. Hurd. Seconded by Ms. Gable. Yes votes cast by Ms. Allen, Mr. Burke, Mr. Bracken, Ms. Gable, Ms. Hurd, Mr. Figueroa, Mr. Lipari, Ms. Muzac and Mr. Wacik. Motion passed with a 9-0 vote.

Mr. Rakesh Anandani and Mr. Tarek Shehab requested Council's approval for a waiver for Preliminary/Final land development at 1700 Butler Street. A motion to approve subject to conditions stated in the Engineer's letter dated June 20, 2025, and Planning Commission recommendations made by Ms. Hurd. Second by Ms. Gable. Yes votes cast by Ms. Allen, Mr. Burke, Mr. Bracken, Ms. Gable, Ms. Hurd, Mr. Figueroa, Mr. Lipari, Ms. Muzac and Mr. Wacik. Motion passed with a 9-0 vote.

Ravi properties requested approval for proposed site improvements at 2201 Northampton St. for a proposed 1story multi-used building containing office/retail uses and associated parking. A motion to approve made by Mr. Bracken. Second by Mr. Wacik. Yes votes cast by Ms. Allen, Mr. Burke, Mr. Bracken, Ms. Gable, Mr. Figueroa, Mr. Lipari, Ms. Muzac and Mr. Wacik. No vote cast by Ms. Hurd. Motion passed with an 8-1 vote.

Ravi properties requested Council's approval for a waiver for Preliminary/Final land development at 2201 Northampton St. A motion to approve subject to conditions stated in the Engineers letter dated July 27, 2023, and the Zoning Hearing recommendations made by Mr. Bracken. Second by Mr. Wacik. Yes votes cast by Ms. Allen, Mr. Burke, Mr. Bracken, Ms. Gable, Ms. Hurd, Mr. Figueroa, Mr. Lipari, Ms. Muzac and Mr. Wacik. Motion passed with a 9-0 vote.

Ravi properties requested Council's approval for a waiver for two driveways within seven feet of an intersection. A motion to approve subject to conditions of PennDOT approval made by Mr. Bracken. Second by Mr. Figueroa. Yes votes cast by Ms. Allen, Mr. Burke, Mr. Bracken, Ms. Gable, Ms. Hurd, Mr. Figueroa, Mr. Lipari, Ms. Muzac and Mr. Wacik. Motion passed with a 9-0 vote.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS:

NONE

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT:

NONE

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:

NONE

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOROUGH MANAGER:

Ms. Garcia advised there is a vacant seat on the library board. Mr. Michael Collins expressed interest in filling the vacant seat. A motion to appoint Mr. Collins was made by Mr. Wacik. Second by Mr. Bracken. Yes votes cast by Ms. Allen, Mr. Burke, Mr. Bracken, Ms. Gable, Ms. Hurd, Mr. Figueroa, Mr. Lipari, Ms. Muzac and Mr. Wacik. Motion passed with a 9-0 vote.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

Mr. Bracken advised he reached out to WASD Superintendent to set up a meeting with the committee but has not received a return call.

Mr. Bracken advised the committee will be meeting on June 25, 2025, at the Solicitor's Office.

PROTECTION TO PERSONS & PROPERTY:

POLICE:

Chief Meehan advised the Police Department civil service list has been exhausted and another round of testing is needed. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Wacik. Second by Mr. Bracken. Yes votes cast by Ms. Allen, Mr. Burke, Mr. Bracken, Ms. Gable, Ms. Hurd, Mr. Figueroa, Mr. Lipari, Ms. Muzac and Mr. Wacik. Motion passed with a 9-0 vote.

FIRE:

NONE

PUBLIC WORKS:

NONE

PARKS:

NONE

CODE COMMITEE:

Mr. Bracken recommended the Mechanical Devices tax rate be changed. Solicitor Margle advised he will look into it.

CELEBRATION COMMITTEE:

NONE

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:

NONE

CODE DEPARTMENT/ZONING/LAND DEVELOPMENT:

NONE

ATTORNEY:

Solicitor Margle requested Council's permission to allow Council President to sign Dixie property lot line adjustment deeds and submit to Harrisburg for recording. This matter was tabled until Mr. Bartee and his attorneys appear at Council meeting.

A motion for Solicitor Margle to contact Mr. Bartee and his Attorney(s) requesting they appear at the July 14, 2025, meeting made by Ms. Gable. Second by Mr. Wacik. Yes votes cast by Ms. Allen, Mr. Burke, Mr. Bracken, Ms. Gable, Ms. Hurd, Mr. Figueroa, Mr. Lipari, Ms. Muzac and Mr. Wacik. Motion passed with a 9-0 vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

NONE

ORDINANCES:

NONE

RESOLUTIONS:

NONE

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS:

Bills were in the amount of \$586,959.00. Ms. Garcia advised approximately \$150,000 of the Bills was for paving project that was covered by Liquid Fuels. A motion to pay the bills was made by Mr. Lipari. Second by Mr. Bracken. A roll call vote followed. Yes votes cast by Ms. Allen, Mr. Burke, Mr. Bracken, Ms. Gable, Ms. Hurd, Mr. Figueroa, Mr. Lipari, Ms. Muzac and Mr. Wacik. Motion passed with a 9-0 vote.

PRESENTATION OF MATTERS BY RESIDENTS AND TAXPAYERS:

Ms. Panama Crozier of 2042 Forest St. Rear asked what happened with opening fire hydrants on warm days. Council responded that at this time it is not cost effective.

CAUCUS

NONE

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Wacik made a Motion to adjourn at 8:45pm Second by Mr. Bracken and Council concurred.

STEPHANIE N. JONES CLERK/TREASURER