

Borough of Hellertown
Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 3, 2016

A Budget Session was held prior to tonight's meeting at 6:00 p.m.

I. Call to Order – Thomas Rieger, 7:10 p.m.

II. Pledge - All

III. Roll Call – Cathy Hartranft

John Bate-	Present
Earl Hill-	Present
James Hill-	Present
Michael McKenna-	Present
Herbert Payung-	Present
Thomas Rieger-	Present
Philip Weber-	Present
Mayor Fluck-	Absent with prior notification

Also in attendance were Michael Corriere, Cathy Hartranft, Robert Shupp, Tom Henshaw, Bryan Smith, Kris Russo, Tina Krasnansky, and Angie Bauer.

IV. Adoption of Meeting Agendum

Motion made by Philip Weber, seconded by John Bate, to approve the meeting agendum as written. Motion carried 7-0.

V. Approval of Meeting Minutes

A. September 19, 2016, Meeting Minutes

Motion made by John Bate, seconded by Herbert Payung, to approve the September 19, 2016, Meeting Minutes as written. Motion carried 7-0.

VI. Courtesies of the Floor

A. Pre-Scheduled Appearances- None

B. Agenda Items- None

C. Non-agenda Items- None

VII. Reports from Elected Officials

A. President

Mr. Rieger requested an Executive Session to discuss personnel and litigation.

B. Mayor

Mayor Fluck was not present for the meeting.

C. Council

Council had nothing to report.

VIII. Reports from Appointed Officials

A. Treasurer- None

B. Engineer

Mr. Smith sought Council's authorization to bid the Saucon Street CDBG Handicap Ramp Project.

Motion made by John Bate, seconded by Herbert Payung, to bid the 2016 CDBG Handicap Ramp Project. Motion carried 7-0.

C. Solicitor

Mr. Corriere - Staff held a meeting on September 20, 2016, to discuss the SALDO amendments and the Medical Marijuana Ordinance. The Marijuana Ordinance is still in review with the Planning Commission.

D. Manager

Mrs. Hartranft only had agenda items to discuss.

E. Chief of Police

Chief Shupp had nothing to report.

F. Public Works Director

Mr. Henshaw had nothing to report.

G. Zoning/Codes Officer

Mr. Russo had nothing to report.

H. Fire Chief- None

I. Emergency Management

Mr. Bate- I met with 1050 Main Street to update their emergency operation plan.

IX. Unfinished Business

1. Discussion on Repairs to Maple/Willow Road Drainage Swale

Mrs. Hartranft- Verizon has agreed to a meeting but have not scheduled one with the Borough to date. Staff went over after a rain storm and it appeared the existing swale was handling the water.

Motion made by Earl Hill to table until the October 17, 2016, meeting.
Motion carried 7-0.

X. New Business

1. Outstanding Obligations- Approval of Payments

Motion made by John Bate, seconded by Michael McKenna, to approve the payment of bills. Motion carried 7-0.

2. Authorization to Advertise Ordinance #812, Degradation Amendment- Council Action

Mr. Corriere- The ordinance deals with some issues with road excavation. It outlines the company's responsibilities with including repairs. Mr. Smith provided much of the language from PennDOT.

Motion made by Philip Weber, seconded by Herbert Payung, to advertise Ordinance 812. Motion carried 7-0.

3. Discussion and Approval of Saucon Valley Community Center's Request to Hold Summer Recreation Programs in 2017 and Request to Fund the Program- Council Action

Members of the Saucon Valley Community Center Board were present to provide a presentation of their proposed summer recreation programs. The plan is flexible but they would like to hold two, four-week sessions so children would have a place to come during the summertime. The times would be from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. As with the Lower Saucon program, there is no proposed registration fee. The cost to Borough to run the programs is \$9,960.00.

Due to the ongoing budget sessions, Michael McKenna made a motion to table pending further budget discussions. Motion carried 7-0.

The Community Center noted that the program can be tailored to meet budgetary restrictions and wish to remain in continued talks on the programs.

4. Approval of Request for Handicap Parking Space In Front of 1374 Main Street- Council Action

Chief Shupp noted that it meets the requirements of the policy.

Motion made by John Bate, seconded by Michael McKenna, to approve request for Handicap Parking Space at 1374 Main Street. Motion carried 7-0.

XI Announcements- None

XII. Executive Session

Motion made by Michael McKenna, seconded by Herbert Payung, to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:34 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Corriere advised that the Executive Session is being held to discuss police negotiations and personnel matters.

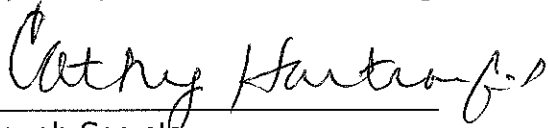
Council reconvened at 8:30 p.m.

Motion made by John Bate, seconded by Philip Weber, to have Mr. Corriere draft a letter to elected officials regarding the Supreme Court's recent decision to overturn the Gaming Act to include the negative impact this will have on the Borough budget and employees. Motion carried 7-0.

XIII. Adjournment

Motion made by Philip Weber, seconded by Earl Hill, to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

Adopted by the Hellertown Borough Council this 17th Day of October 2016.



Borough Secretary