

MUNITES
FORD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
LOCATION: Latin American Club
October 11, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Carol Fenyes called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM and advised the audience that the meeting for October 11, 2021, is being audio taped by Ford City Borough and Vicki Schaub. Abby Karg from the Leader Times as well as Shannon Russo from ASAP Court Reporting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President Carol Fenyes led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: President Carol Fenyes, Councilman Josh Adams, Councilwoman Mary Alice Bryant, Councilwoman Vicki Schaub, Solicitor Alyssa Golfieri, Officer in Charge Kyle Lewis and Borough Office Administrator Lindsey Weige.

Absent: Vice President Tyson Klukan and Mayor Jeff Cogley both absent due to work obligations and Councilwoman Beth Bowser.

CITIZENS COMMENTS – Agenda Items Only at this time

None

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

There was an executive session on September 27, 2021 to discuss personnel and property and receive advice from the Solicitor.

NEW BUSINESS – Transcript attached:

1. Par Mar Oil Company's Inter-Municipal Liquor License Transfer Public Hearing

This is a public hearing on an application filed by Par Mar Oil Company to permit the inter-municipal transfer of a Restaurant Liquor License, License No. R-14664, from Johnny Goldstrohm i/t/d/b/a Valley Getaway located in Cowanshannock Township, Armstrong County at 10254 State Route 85, Kittanning, PA 16201 to a proposed gas station and convenience store on property owned by D-Mark Holdings, LLC located at 1400-06 Fifth Avenue, Ford City, PA 16226 in the Borough's MX Neighborhood Mixed Use Zoning District, currently designated as Armstrong County Tax Map Parcel No. 15-142.15-02-53.

- a. Procedural Matters
- b. Applicant's Presentation
- c. Borough Council's Questions
- d. Public Comment
- e. Executive Session – if necessary
- f. Motion to Close or Continue Public Hearing

President Fenyes made the motion to close the public hearing on the application filed by Par Mar Oil Company requesting approval of the transfer of Restaurant Liquor License, License No. R-14664 into the Borough. Second by Councilman Adams. Motion carried.

- g. Motion to Approve the Application

Motion to approve, by adoption of Resolution No. 13 - 2021, the application filed by Par Mar Oil Company requesting approval of the transfer of Restaurant Liquor License, License No. R-14664 into the Borough in accordance with the application materials and testimony accepted into the hearing record by Borough Council.

Role Call Vote: Councilman Adams – yea; Councilwoman Bryant – yea; President Fenyes – yea; Councilwoman Schaub - nay

2. Hiring of Part-Time Police Department Administrator - Jacquelyn Shaffer

Councilwoman Bryant made the motion to hire Jacquelyn Shaffer, at the recommendation of Mayor Cogley, as a part-time police department administrator (30 hours per week) at \$12.00 per hour effective November 1, 2021, subject to successful completion of a background check, drug screen physical, fingerprints, and a CJIS on-line training course. Second by Councilman Adams.

Council Comments:

- President Fenyes commented that she participated in the interview as well as Brough Office Administrator Weige to go over what her duties in the Police Department were.
- Councilwoman Schaub asked how many applicants were received, why the Personnel Committee was not involved and if the position was advertised in the Leader Times.
- President Fenyes stated approximately five applications were received and it was narrowed down to two. The Police Department did not advertise in the Leader Times but instead on Facebook.
- Councilman Adams commented he has confidence in that department now and does not think there is a need because he does not have any idea on their qualifications

Motion carried: 3 to 1, with Councilwoman Schaub dissenting.

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

- President Fenyes reminded that budge requests are due October 15th. If assistance is needed give us a call and she would be glad to sit down and talk.
- Councilwoman Bryant announced the Latin American Club will be holding a RAMP session on Sunday, October 24, 2021 at 5:30 PM. The course is \$25 and you may call the Latin American Club to inquire about it. 724-763-8292
- President Fenyes announced that Halloween Event flyer is published and asked that anyone interested in having a table at the 4th Avenue Park for Spooky Sweet Trick or Treat to call the Borough Office at let us know you will be participating. Saturday, October 30, 2021 from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM.

CITIZENS COMMENTS – Open Comments at this time

- Laurel Poney thanked the Borough for beginning the stages of milling on Ridge Avenue. She also spoke about vehicles scraping now that Ridge Avenue has been milled. Councilman Adams stated there has been a discussion on potentially ramping driveways to alleviate the condition of the scraping.
- Diane Thomas that the drainage on Ridge Avenue is one of her biggest concerns. She also mentioned about the gaps between the bricks trying to fix the manhole.
- Alicia DiGregori parks on Ridge Avenue and stated to her, it is worse than it was before they milled it.
- Councilman Adams stated we would update everyone on Ridge Avenue when we can.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETINGS


Monday, October 25, 2021 – 6:30 PM at the LA Club.

Monday, November 8, 2021 – 6:30 PM at the LA Club.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilwoman Schaub made the motion to adjourn. Councilman Adams seconded. The meeting ended at 7:59 PM by unanimous vote.


Carol Fenyes
Council President


Gail Sigler
Interim Borough Secretary


Lindsey Weige
Office Administrator