

B MINUTES
FORD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Location: Latin American Club
June 12, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Fenyes called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. and advised the audience that the meeting for Monday, June 12, 2017 will be audio taped by Ford City Borough and Lisa Bittner. Is anyone audio or video taping the meeting? Caroline Hassa is audio and video taping. Nick Vercilla – Leader-Times & Mark Yankasky -- Family Life Media is audio and video recording.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President Fenyes lead everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Kathy Bartuccio, Beth Bowser, Carol Fenyes, Ray Klukan, Tyson Klukan, Marc Mantini and Mayor Cogley were present.

ATTENDANCE

Solicitor Alyssa Golfieri, Police Chief/ Borough Manager Michael Greenlee [arrived at 6:44 p.m.] and Borough Secretary Lisa Bittner were also present.

CITIZENS COMMENTS - AT THIS TIME AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

JoAnn Scopel & Jerry Miklos both signed to speak, but had no comments at this time.

Lou Vergari asked questions concerning the 3rd Avenue Waterline Replacement Project.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes for Borough Council's 5-22-2017 meeting. (Attachment A)
2. Minutes for the Borough Council's 5-8-2017 meeting. (Attachment B)
3. Treasurer's Report – April 2017 (Attachment C)
4. Bills to Ratify - dated 6-12-2017 (Attachment D)
5. Bills to Approve List – dated 6-12-2017 (Attachment E)

Council President Fenyes asked if there were any objections to the consent agenda. Council President Fenyes stated since there are no objections the Consent Agenda Items are adopted.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council President Fenyes stated there was an Executive Session held prior to the meeting at 6:00 p.m. [in the Borough Office] to discuss potential litigation and advice from the Solicitor.

OLD BUSINESS

6-12-2017 Draft #1 minutes

**WATER TREATMENT PLANT CONSTRUCTION PROJECT – RESOLUTION 15-2017
ENGINEERING SERVICES - \$25,555.84**

Bartuccio made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 15-2017 authorizing the execution of a Contract for Engineering Services with Gibson-Thomas Engineering Co., Inc. related to the Ford City Borough Water Treatment Plant Construction Project.

Seconded by Bowser. Motion Carried. 6-0 Unanimous (Attachment)

**3rd AVENUE WATER LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT – RESOLUTION 16-2017
CONTRACT AGREEMENT WITH KUKURIN - \$303,030.00**

T. Klukan made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 16-2017 authorizing the execution of a Contract Agreement with Kukurin Contracting, Inc. in the amount of \$303,030.00 related to the Ford City Borough 3rd Avenue Waterline Replacement Project.

Seconded by Bowser. Motion Carried. 6-0 Unanimous (Attachment)

NEW BUSINESS

DOCUMENTS TO DESTROY – RESOLUTION 17-2017

Mantini made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 17-2017 authorizing the disposal of certain municipal records pursuant to the Municipal Record Act and the Municipal Record Manual.

Seconded by Bowser. Motion Carried. 6-0 Unanimous (Attachment)

**BOROUGH BUILDING GENERATOR – RESOLUTION 18-2017
MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT**

R. Klukan made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 18-2017 authorizing the execution of a Planned Equipment Maintenance Agreement with Cummins Bridgeway, LLC in the amount of \$3,008.48 related to maintenance of the Borough's emergency power generation equipment.

Seconded by Bowser. Motion Carried. 6-0 Unanimous (Attachment)

HANDICAP PARKING SIGN

Bowser made a motion to authorize a handicap sign to be placed on the Southern Side of the 400 Block of O'Connor Street as recommended by the Handicap Committee.

Seconded by Bartuccio. Motion Carried. 6-0 Unanimous

PLANNING COMMISSION – RESIGNATION

Bowser made a motion to accept Seth Martin's letter of resignation from the Borough Planning Commission dated 4-25-2017, effective immediately.

Seconded by R. Klukan. Motion Carried. 6-0 Unanimous

PLANNING COMMISSION – ADVERTISEMENT

Bowser made a motion to authorize advertisement for letters of interest for the vacant position on the Borough Planning Commission and other vacancies as applicable.

Seconded by Mantini. Motion Carried. 6-0 Unanimous

ATTENDANCE

Borough Manager Michael Greenlee arrives.

EDA – GRANT RESOLUTION - [RESOLUTION - 19-2017]

Council President Fenyes reads from a prepared statement. (Attachment)

T. Klukan made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 19-2017 authorizing the execution of an Agreement on Compensation of the Federal Share, Termination of Award Obligations, and Release with the United States Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration related to the \$581,000.00 Financial Assistance Award granted to the Borough on September 8, 2000. Seconded by R. Klukan.

Jerry Miklos made comments concerning the statement read by Council President.

Solicitor Golfieri explained she advised Council to not discuss the EDA. As promised all correspondence, those that were subject to a Right-to-Know request, and copies of the agreement will be made available. Copies are on the table.

Council President asked for a Roll Call Vote to be taken.

Kathy Bartuccio	nay	Beth Bowser	aye
Carol Fenyes	aye	Ray Klukan	aye
Tyson Klukan	aye	Marc Mantini	aye

Aye = 5 Nay = 1

Motion Carried. 5-1 [Bartuccio opposed]

Bartuccio stated her reason vote opposing, since the Eda has not pursued the Borough and the Borough pursued the EDA to make a payment plus after speaking with Bill Bercik [A solicitor the previous Council consulted. Mr. Bercik never forwarded an invoice to the Borough for his services.] and him telling us the statute of limitations has expired April 2016, I am entrusted to manage the Borough's money and I am therefore opposed.

Mantini stated he is voting in favor of this because there are viable businesses there and people are employed.

HIRING – PLAYGROUND ATTENDANT

R. Klukan made a motion, based on the recommendation of the Interim Borough Manager, to hire Faith Rideout as Playground Attendant at a pay rate of \$8.50 per hour, effective immediately.

Seconded by Bowser. Motion Carried. 6-0 Unanimous

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Secretary read from a list of prepared announcements. (Attachment)

CITIZEN COMMENTS – OPEN COMMENTS AT THIS TIME

JoAnn Scopel stated she was glad there was a settlement with EDA.

Jerry Miklos asked Mantini and R. Klukan questions regarding their previous time as Elected Officials. R. Klukan stated he has no comment. Mantini stated if we had to pay the money [\$581,000] to the EDA there would need to be additional mills placed on the individual Tax Payer.

Kathy Baer expressed concern about space for parking for her customers. Workers at other businesses are parked in front of her business. Her elderly customers aren't able to park close to her business. Borough Manager Greenlee stated they are working on it.

Jerry Miklos asked the Borough Manager his thoughts on the repayment. Borough Manager stated that was prior to him.

SOLICITOR COMMENTS

Solicitor Golfieri stated to Miklos he is entitled to five (5) minutes of Public Comment time. This is not a time to "pepper" Council, Borough Manager or the Mayor.

MAYOR COMMENTS

Mayor Cogley made comments that required no action.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council President made comments that required no action.

NEXT 4th MONDAY MEETING: Monday, June 26, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at the Latin American Club.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: Monday, July 10, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at the Latin American Club.

ADJOURNMENT

R. Klukan made a motion at 7:13 p.m. to adjourn. Seconded by Mantini
Motion Carried. 6-0 Unanimous

Carol Fenyes
Council President

Lisa Bittner
Borough Secretary