

MINUTES
FORD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL
4th MONDAY – COUNCIL MEETING
Location: Latin American Club
September 25, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Fenyes called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and advised the audience that the meeting for Monday, September 25, 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. David Croyle – Family Life Media is audio and video taping the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

ROLL CALL

Kathy Bartuccio, Carol Fenyes, Ray Klukan, and Tyson Klukan were present. Beth Bowser [illness], Marc Mantini and Mayor Cogley [work conflict] were absent.

ATTENDANCE

Michael Greenlee – Police Chief/Borough Manager and Borough Secretary Lisa Bittner were also present.

CITIZENS COMMENTS - AT THIS TIME AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

JoAnn Scopel had no comments at this time.

Jerry Miklos spoke about the employee appreciation dinner.

GIBSON THOMAS – Ed Schmitt

WATER PLANT PROJECT

Bartuccio made a motion to approve Pennvest Pay Requisition #14 in the amount of \$114,057.31 and authorize the Council President to sign as presented by Gibson-Thomas. Seconded by R. Klukan. Motion Carried. 4-0 Unanimous (Attachment)

3RD AVENUE WATERLINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Bartuccio made a motion to approve Pay Estimate #1 in the amount of \$176,901.40 and authorize the Council President to sign as presented by Gibson-Thomas. Seconded by T. Klukan. Motion Carried. 4-0 Unanimous (Attachment)

INTERIM ASSESSMENT & TAXATION – ARMSTRONG COUNTY

Jeanne Englert – Armstrong County Tax Claim, explained the interim billing resolution adopted by the Armstrong County Commissioners. This will begin in 2018 for new structures only. Englert provided a sample resolution for a municipality. If Ford City Borough would adopt the resolution, information would be sent to the local Tax Collector for distribution by September 1 of each year. This interim billing would not include any special taxes.

WEST PENN POWER

Rob Lombardo – First Energy, explained the plan to change the Street Lights to LED with smart meters. If the change could be pushed to the end of 2018 there would be a cost reduction. The 200 Watt would change to a 90 LED and the 100 Watt would change to a 50 LED. The LED is a clear light the Police & Street Depts. like. The LED is a direct downward light, not a lot of halo. The light rate is cheaper less KWH going from Sodium to LED.

OLD BUSINESS

EARLY INTERVENTION PROGRAM PHASE 2 – RESOLUTION

Bartuccio made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 29-2017 authorizing a grant application to be submitted to the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development under the Early Intervention Program for a project titled Early Intervention Program Phase 2 – Comprehensive Plan and Rezoning Project. Seconded by T. Klukan.
Motion Carried. 4-0 Unanimous (Attachment)

NEW BUSINESS

MINIMUM MUNICIPAL OBLIGATION (MMO) - 2018

Bartuccio made a motion to accept and approve the 2018 Uniform (Police) Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) prepared by Mockenhaupt Benefits Group in the amount of \$65,750.
Seconded by T. Klukan. Motion Carried. 4-0 Unanimous (Attachment)

T. Klukan made a motion to accept and approve the 2018 Non-Uniform Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) prepared by Mockenhaupt Benefits Group in the amount of \$12,202. ‘
Seconded by R. Klukan. Motion Carried. 4-0 Unanimous (Attachment)

EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION

R. Klukan made a motion to authorize the expenditure, as approved by the Finance Committee, of not more than \$1000.00 to be paid to the Latin American Club for an “Employee Appreciation” dinner to be held on Friday, December 8, 2017. Employees and a guest will be invited. Elected Officials may attend and bring a guest at their own expense.
Seconded by T. Klukan. Motion Carried. 4-0 Unanimous

CITIZEN COMMENTS – OPEN COMMENTS AT THIS TIME

Jerry Miklos spoke about the Borough web site.

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Secretary read from a list of prepared announcements

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: Monday, October 9, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at the Latin American Club

NEXT 4th MONDAY: Monday, October 23, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at the Latin American Club.

ADJOURNMENT

R. Klukan made a motion at 7:19 p.m. to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by T. Klukan.
Motion Carried. 6-0 Unanimous

Carol Fenyes
Council President

Lisa Bittner
Borough Secretary