

MINUTES
FORD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL
4th MONDAY – WORKSHOP
Location: Latin American Club
March 26, 2018

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, March 26, 2018 will be audio taped by Ford City Borough and Lisa Bittner. Caroline Hassa is audio and video taping, Nick Vercelli – Leader-Times is audio taping and David Croyle – Family Life media is audio and video taping the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President Fenyes led 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

Police Chief / Borough Manager Michael Greenlee, Solicitor Alyssa Golfieri – Babst Calland and Borough Secretary Lisa Bittner were also present.

CITIZENS COMMENTS - AT THIS TIME AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

JoAnn Scopel or **Jerry Miklos** had no comments at this time.

ENGINEER COMMENTS

The Borough Engineer was not present at this meeting and no report was submitted.

OLD BUSINESS

No action items at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

No action items at this time.

COMMITTEE & DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Fire Department	Library	Parks & Recreation	Finance
Planning Commission	Shade Tree	Police Report	Public Works
Fleet Advisory Committee	Borough Manager	Emergency Mgmt.	Other

Joe Peters – **Ford City Hose Co. #1** presented their report providing the number of calls and provided updated information on fundraisers scheduled for 2018.

Dick Wakefield – **Planning Commission** spoke about the EIP#2 grant. They will be meeting with representatives from Fourth Economy on 4-19-2018 to discuss the data gathering for the project. Council President asked if copies of the Fleet Advisory report could be provided to the Council Members? Wakefield will speak with the Chairman of the Fleet Advisory Committee. [A Fleet Advisory report was verbally presented to Council at the 2-26-2018 Council Meeting.]

Elizabeth Switzer – **Ford City Public Library** spoke about the number of members the Library has and the usage of the computers and books checked out of the Library.

Stacy Klukan – **Shadetree & Parks and Recreation** explained with the assistance of Master Gardener Lynn Ramage a review of the trees in the park. They have identified trees that need removal and is in the process of obtaining cost estimates. Bob Ware asked about the trees behind his home. S. Klukan will meet with Ware and take a look at the area. Klukan spoke about the use of Ft. Run, Cadogan Softball field, and inquired about the trail pavilion that caught fire and the compost restroom on the trail. Council President Fenyes stated the Firemen will be building the replacement pavilion. Borough Manager Greenlee stated there are plans to make it usable this year. S. Klukan spoke about the removal of the metal tree guards and mulching at 7th Avenue. Greenlee stated the tree guard removal is on the Borough's work list. S. Klukan will coordinate the mulching with Greenlee. S. Klukan inquired about the Summer Feeding Program. Council President stated a volunteer will be needed to pick up the lunches from West Hills Elementary. Council President stated applications for the Playground Supervisor position are being accepted at this time. S. Klukan stated boards will be purchased to replace wood on the fit trail stations. S. Klukan will work with Greenlee on this project.

Michael Greenlee – **Police Chief/Borough Manager** read from his February 2018 Police Report.

Mayor Cogley asked the Citizens to call “911” to make a report. If you see something call “911”. Names do not have to be used to make a report.

Greenlee spoke about the Storm Sewer/ Flood Mitigation Project [\$315,000], including the run off from 7th Avenue. We are competing with other communities for \$25M dollar water line project. There are 128 Handicap Ramps included in the Multimodal Project [\$210,000]. Fifteen have involvement with storm sewer inlets. These will be reviewed. The Trail Head grant [\$20,000] has been approved and we are waiting for the paperwork. The final estimates for the Boulder Park {\$45,048} project are being received. We are waiting for the State to give the “proceed” for the Library Grant [\$33,000]. The USDA grant [\$25,200] has been funded and the new truck is scheduled to be received on Wednesday. Greenlee is accepting quotes to repair the dump truck. Lunch time and Dinner time Food Trucks will begin in April and will be located near Citizens Bank. First Friday will begin on 5-4-2018, there are 50 vendors.

T. Klukan – **Public Works** added there explained there is an issue with the 2007 Dodge Dump. The Fleet Advisory recommended replacement. There is a need for a new dump now. The PW committee is recommending replacement also. Possibly a five (5) ton. The ADA Sidewalk project will be going out to bid soon. It was recommended to pave 4th Avenue where the three (3) churches are located. Using services from Penndot would lower the cost.

HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

Council President Fenyes explained the County Hazard Mitigation Plan should be updated every five (5) years. Material was provided by the County to allow for municipal input to the plan. An Ad-hoc committee will be formed, being chaired by T. Klukan. A member from Planning, Fire Dept., EMC, Ambulance and Police Dept. will be part of the committee. T. Klukan added there is Federal Funding available for Flood Mitigation.

SOLICITOR COMMENTS

Solicitor Golfieri stated Ft. Run Park could not be donated to Manor Twp. It could be sold for \$1. Current deed restrictions indicate it may only be used for a park or green space. Golfieri will reach out to the Manor Twp. Solicitor.

Golfieri spoke about combining Parks & Recreation with Shadetree. This would become a nine (9) member board. In order to vote on 4-9-2018, the proposed Ordinance must run in the 4-2-2018 edition of the local paper [Leader-Times]. Golfieri stated legally Parks & Recreation does not exist. State Code permits combining these two. Golfieri will forward to the paper.

CITIZEN COMMENTS – OPEN COMMENTS AT THIS TIME

JoAnn Scopel stated she is pleased with the Planning Commission.

Jerry Miklos has no comments at this time.

Bob Ware asked if there was an update from the last meeting [about the trees along the hillside]. Council President explained it was discussed at the recent construction meeting. The Borough Engineer will be contacting the Conservation District and making a proposal to Ford Cliff. Ware stated this problem has been happening prior to this Council.

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Borough Secretary read from a list of prepared announcements.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, April 9, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Latin American Club.

NEXT 4th MONDAY

Monday, April 23, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Latin American Club

EXECUTIVE SESSION

To discuss pending litigation, personnel, real property and take advise from Solicitor Golfieri.

ADJOURNMENT

T. Klukan made a motion at 7:34 p.m. to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mantini.
Motion Carried. 6-0 Unanimous

Carol R. Fenyes
Council President

Lisa Bittner
Secretary