# MINUTES FORD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL 4th MONDAY – WORKSHOP

# Location: Latin American Club June 25, 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, June 25, 2018 will be audio taped by Ford City Borough and Lisa Bittner. Caroline Hassa and David Croyle –WTYM are audio and video taping. Nick Vercelli – <u>Leader-Times</u> is audio taping.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

#### **ROLL CALL**

Mary Alice Bryant, Beth Bowser, Carol Fenyes, Tyson Klukan, Marc Mantini and Mayor Cogley were present. Ray Klukan was absent because of a work conflict.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Borough Engineer Ed Schmitt & Barbara McMillen - Contract Administrator both from Gibson-Thomas, Solicitor Alyssa Golfieri – Babst Calland and Borough Secretary Lisa Bittner were present.

#### CITIZENS COMMENTS - AT THIS TIME AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

**JoAnn Scopel** had no comments at this time.

**Jerry Miklos** spoke about hiring and the agreement with Manor Twp.

**Don Mains** spoke about the agreement with Manor Twp.

**Vicki Schaub** spoke hiring and the agreement with Manor Twp.

#### **BOROUGH ENGINEER – GIBSON-THOMAS**

Ed Schmitt spoke about the Flood Mitigation Project. Schmitt presented the results of the camera work completed on the storm sewers. There are four (4) large pump stations that require a great deal of rehabilitation work. The Heavy Cleaning areas of the storm sewers have approximately 400 tons of material in them. The Brownfield will be used as a site to dispose of the material being removed from the storm sewers. There will be a cost saving to the Borough because the material being removed will not be hauled outside the Borough limits.

Schmitt explained they are speaking with funding agencies [USDA & Pennvest] and trying to obtain grant money for additional projects.

Schmitt explained the FEMA is denying any credit for the existing levy. FEMA won't change their criteria

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

# HIRING – ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Bowser made a motion to hire Gail Sigler as an Administrative Assistant at a rate of \$13.00 per hour for a maximum of 32 hours per week based on the recommendation of the Borough Manager and the Personnel Committee. Seconded by Bryant. Motion Carried. 5-0 Unanimous

#### HIRING - PART-TIME POLICE OFFICER

Bowser made a motion to hire Kyle Lewis based on the recommendation of Mayor Cogley and Police Chief Greenlee as a part-time police officer for the normal six (6) month probationary period, passing a drug test and background check to be performed at the direction of the Police Chief and the Mayor and to be paid the current wage of the part-time police officer. Seconded by Mantini. Motion Carried. 4-0 T. Klukan abstains. (Attachment)

# MANOR TOWNSHIP / FORT RUN PARK LAND TRANSFER

Bowser made a motion to adopt Resolution 16 - 2018 authorizing the sale of certain real property owned by the Borough of Ford City, known as Fort Run Park, to Manor Township and authorizing the proper Borough officials to execute all documents and take such other actions as shall be reasonable required to accomplish the conveyance. Seconded by Mantini.

Bowser stated she would like to make an amendment to #2. Bowser suggested the wording "If property is found to be used for other purposes, the said property shall revert back to Ford City Borough" be added.

Mantini suggested adding additional wording "With the exclusion of mineral rights".

Roll Call vote was asked for.

Bryant Aye T. Klukan Aye Fenyes Aye Bowser Aye

Mantini Aye

Motion Carried. 5-0 Unanimous

#### UNITED STEELWORKERS

Council President - moved to later in the meeting.

### PLANNING COMMISSION - APPOINTMENT

Bowser made a motion to appoint Kathleen Booher based on the recommendation of the Planning Commission to the Planning Commission for a 4 year term to expire on 12-31-2022. Seconded by T. Klukan. Motion Carried. 5-0 Unanimous

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### HACH

Bowser made a motion to approve and authorize the proper Borough officials to execute and take such other actions reasonably necessary to effectuate, and thereafter annually renew, a contract with HACH Company for the maintenance and repair of the Ford City Water Treatment Plant's testing equipment at a cost of \$4,322. Seconded by T. Klukan. (Attachment) Motion Carried. 5-0 Unanimous

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Ed Schmitt and Barb McMillen leave the meeting at 7:46 p.m.

# **UNITED STEELWORKERS**

Council President explains the proposals presented to the union. The total package for nine (9) people is approximately \$577,000. T. Klukan, Bowser and Fenyes [personnel committee] suggested the talks continue with the Union.

Bowser made a motion to reject the tentative agreement dated 5-24-2018 between Ford City Borough and United Steelworkers. Seconded by Mantini. Motion Carried. 5-0 Unanimous

# **COMMITTEE & DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

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

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

Helen Taylor – **Ford City Public Library** explained the library is fully staffed and they have over 2000 members. The Summer Reading program will begin 7-3-2018 and end on 8-3-2018. The Shed at rear of the building will be removed.

Mayor Cogley spoke about Ford City Renaissance, Summerfest and assured everyone the Food Truck event is alive and well and will continue.

### CITIZEN COMMENTS - OPEN COMMENTS AT THIS TIME

**Steve Heffner & Paul Klukan** thanked everyone for support of their recent carnival. There will be a carnival next year the same week.

**JoAnn Scopel** had no comments at this time.

**Bob Ware** asked about grants from the state to assist with tree removal.

**Vicki Schaub** spoke about the survey, the labor contract, painting curbs and speeders.

**Don Mains** requested a Town Meeting to speak about plans for a Glass College.

# **MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Borough Secretary read from a list of prepared announcements.

# NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

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

# NEXT 4<sup>th</sup> MONDAY

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

# **ADJOURNMENT**

T. Klukan made a motion at 8:20 p.m. to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mantini. Motion Carried. 5-0 Unanimous

Carol Fenyes
Council President

Lisa Bittner Borough Secretary