

MINUTES TO THE REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 19, 2019

The Regular Meeting of the Borough of Baldwin Council was called to order by President Edward Moeller at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 19, 2019

After the invocation the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag by Mr. Behers, the following Council answered to roll call:

Mr. Chad Hurka-absent
Mr. Michael Stelmasczyk
Mr. John Egger
Mr. Francis Scott
Mr. James Behers
Mrs. Marianne Conley- Vice-President
Mr. Edward Moeller-President
Mr. David Depretis-Mayor
Mr. Jason Stanton- Engineer
Mr. Stanley Lederman- Solicitor
Mr. Michael Lederman- Solicitor
Mrs. Diana Behers- Treasurer
Mr. Robert Firek- Interim Borough Manager

Mr. Moeller stated to the audience that prior to the Council Meeting, a short executive session was held to discuss legal matters.

AUDIENCE AGENDA: Agenda Items Only: 5 MINUTES PER SPEAKER OR GROUP

Mr. Moeller asked the audience if they would like to address Council on anything that is on the Agenda. Please come forward and state your name and address for the record.
No one from the audience approached.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Stanton noted his Monthly Engineers report from February 7, 2019 summarizing activity for the month. He asked Council for the following motions for consideration:

- M-1 *Mrs. Conley made a Motion to approve partial payment No. 6 in the amount of \$562,898.79 to Independent Enterprises, Inc for Contract No. 17-S1, per the recommendation of the Borough Engineer; second by Mr. Scott. Upon vote, motion passed.*
- M-2 *Mr. Scott made the motion to approve partial payment No. 6 in the amount of \$20,549.25 to A. Liberoni, Inc. for Contract No. 18-R01 (2018 Roadway and Storm Sewer Project), per the recommendation of the Borough Engineer; second by Mr. Stelmasczyk. Upon vote, motion passed.*
- M-3 *Mr. Stelmasczyk made the Motion to approve partial payment No. 4 in the amount of \$3,950.10 to A. Liberoni, Inc. for Contract No. 18-R02 (2018 Liquid Fuels), per the recommendation of the Borough Engineer; second by Mr. Scott. Upon vote, motion passed.*
- M-4 *Mrs. Conley made the motion to approve the PHA Majority Consent request; second by Mr. Egger. Upon vote, motion passed.*

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Mr. Moeller asked if anyone had any questions for the Engineer. Mr. Stelmasczyk does not agree with this cost increase, but understands the need for this motion.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Stanley Lederman said he wanted to report back to council on the January 31, 2019 report received from the Board of Viewers for the LR30 easements and condemnation. Payment to them for this review was \$5200.

Mr. Moeller asked if there were any questions for the Solicitor.

MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor reported the following for the month of January:

- Calls for the month were 508
- Calls given to police from 911 were 725
- Fees collected for December 2018 were \$661.00
- The monthly activity report for K-9 Nikko was provided.

Mr. Moeller asked if there were any questions for the Mayor.

ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Firek reviewed his report with Council at the last meeting and asked if anyone had any questions. He has one additional item for discussion pertaining to the Hays Woods Group to have a meeting with Council to react to the City of Pittsburgh's comments. Mr. Firek will update council when the date is selected.

Mr. Firek asked for the following motion:

M-5 *Mrs. Conley made the motion to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between Baldwin Borough and Local Union 1058 (Public Works) for the term January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2023; second by Mr. Egger. Upon vote, motion passed.*

Mr. Stelmasczyk asked when does the union tend to ratify this. Mr. Firek said they must go through a typical process to review this which will take about a month along with making sure to notify the insurance carriers of this change.

M-6 *Mrs. Conley made a motion to approve Partial Payment No. 9 in the amount of \$29,045.01 to Stefanik's Next Generation Contracting Co. for Elm Leaf Park Ph. I, per the recommendation of the Director of Municipal Services; second by Mr. Egger. Upon vote, motion passed.*

Mr. Moeller asked if there were any questions for Mr. Firek. Mr. Scott asked if we are holding any retainage. Mr. Firek explained yes; they are holding about \$10,000 which is for a few shrubs that need replaced.

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FINANCE

Mr. Hurka was not able to be in attendance due to the birth of his son. Council wishes them congratulations.

Mr. Moeller reviewed the Monthly Revenue and Expenditure reports with Council the previous week. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Mr. Hurka.

Mr. Moeller would like to ask for the following motions:

M-7 *Mr. Stelmasczyk made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for January 2019; second by Mrs. Conley. Upon vote, motion passed.*

M-8 *Mrs. Conley made the Motion to Ratify Bills in the Amount of \$1,249,403.58 and approve bills in the amount of \$755,290.84 for a total of \$2,004,694.42; second by Mr. Egger. Upon vote, motion passed.*

Mr. Moeller asked if there were any questions.

PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. Scott updated Council for and listed the items that Public Works is currently or working on or have completed:

- The winter salt supplies are good with about 2/3 full since a weekend storm is expected this weekend. Also, the winter seasonal activity continues with Public Works

Mr. Moeller asked if there were any questions for Mr. Scott.

PARKS AND RECREATION

M-9 *Mr. Stelmasczyk made a Motion to approve the February 2019 Blanket List; second by Mr. Egger. Upon vote, motion passed.*

Mr. Moeller asked if anyone has any questions for Mr. Stelmasczyk.

ZONING & PLANNING

Mr. Egger said The Planning Commission had a meeting on February 11, 2019
The Zoning Hearing Board has a meeting scheduled for February 21, 2019

Mr. Egger introduced our new Community Compliance Officer, Kyle Ferkett. Kyle introduced himself and spoke briefly about his past and current position and would like to thank council for this opportunity.

Mr. Egger asked council to review the monthly Inspection Report for January 2019.

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PUBLIC SAFETY

Mr. Behers read the following Activity Reports for BEMS and Volunteer Fire Departments:

- BEMS 264 calls 7.01 minute response time
- Option Fire 33 incidents 6.13 minute response time
- SBVF 16 incidents 6.16 minute response time
- Baldwin #105 34 incidents 8.17 minute response time

Mr. Moeller asked if anyone has any questions for Mr. Behers.

Mr. Stelmasczyk commented of all the fire reports, Option Fire was showing that 51% of the alarms are false alarms and false calls. If there is one location or someone, they can meet with to get these types of calls reduced, then he would like to meet with them along with the fire company. His recommendation is to have this discussion at the next Public Safety Meeting.

Mr. Behers said this will be addressed, but he can have the opportunity to have Jim Barbour discuss why these calls are increased. He explained why his report showed these numbers and not all of them were for The Alden, but also with residential alarms they responded. He will meet with The Alden to discuss how these calls can be reduced.

PERSONNEL

Mrs. Conley said she does not have any formal motions for tonight, but said they are in the process of interviewing for the Borough Manager position.

Mr. Moeller asked if there were any questions for Mrs. Conley.

NEW BUSINESS- No new business from the audience.

AUDIENCE AGENDA –Any issue pertaining to Borough Business: 5 MINUTES PER SPEAKER OR GROUP

Darlene Mastin of 1652 Beryl Drive wants to know when the Borough will repair the sewer line that is causing the slide on her property.

Mr. Firek explained in detail that the Borough sewer line was inspected and had no issues. A discussion continued about this property. Kyle Ferkett, Community Compliance Officer inspected this property and will return again to review the property. Additionally, the Borough will continue to monitor the sanitary sewer main line to make sure it is functioning properly.

M-10 *Mr. Egger made the motion to adjourn; second by Mr. Behers. Upon vote, motion passed.*

Respectively submitted,

BOROUGH OF BALDWIN

Robert T. Firek
Interim Borough Manager