

A regular meeting of Bloomsburg Town Council was held Monday, March 9, 2020, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, Town Hall, 301 East Second Street, Bloomsburg, PA. Present were Mayor William Kreisher; Council Vice President Toni Bell; Council Members James Huber, James Garman, Bonnie Crawford, Justin Hummel, and Vince DeMelfi; Town Manager/Secretary/Treasurer Lisa Dooley; Administrative Assistant Bobbi Erlston; Chief of Police Roger Van Loan; Director of Public Works John Fritz; Director of Code Enforcement Ken Roberts; Code Enforcement Officer Ralph Magill; Director of Governmental Services/ Recycling Coordinator Charles Fritz; Director of Finance Kathy Smith and Volunteer Fire Chief Scott McBride.

#### **MAYOR'S REMARKS**

W. Kreisher announced that the U.S Census is currently hiring employees for the 2020 census.

W. Kreisher noted that bingo tickets are available for \$25.00 at Kreisher Marshall & Associates, LLC for Lucky Leprechaun Bingo which will take place on Sunday, March 15, 2020 at the Bloomsburg Fire Hall starting at 12:00 p.m. The benefits of this bingo will go towards the Pool Fundraising Group.

R. Van Loan clarified that he never stated that any arrests will be made regarding the garage fires that are being set in Bloomsburg. R. Van Loan reported that Newswatch 16 had the information incorrect. He advised everyone to inspect their properties and report any suspicious activity to the Bloomsburg Police Department.

#### **APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 03-09-2020.01 ZONING OFFICER RESOLUTION**

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved Resolution No. 03-09-2020.01 Zoning Officer resolution.

#### **APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 03-09-2020.02 FEE RESOLUTION**

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved Resolution No. 03-09-2020.02 fee resolution.

#### **APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 03-09-2020.03 PENN-DOT RESOLUTION**

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved Resolution No. 03-09-2020.03 PENN-DOT resolution.

#### **APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 03-09-2020.04 COLUMBIA COUNTY EMA AGREEMENT**

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved Resolution No. 03-09-2020.04 Columbia County EMA agreement.

#### **APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 24, 2020 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the February 24, 2020 Town Council minutes without any additions or corrections.

#### **APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF MONTHLY BILLS AND FEBRUARY PAYROLL AUTHORIZATION**

On a motion by T. Bell seconded by J. Garman, and voted on 6 'yes' votes and 1 'no' vote (J. Huber), Council approved payment of the following monthly bills: General Fund, \$325,644.80; Recycling

Fund, \$46,335.25; Street Lighting Fund, \$9,664.75; Fire Fund, \$5,463.18; Liquid Fuels Fund, \$4,543.09; Airport Fund, \$129,045.89; CDBG-DR Fund, \$1,013,760.16; CDBG Program Income Fund, \$15,330.00; and the February payroll authorization in the amount of \$230,765.23.

**APPROVAL OF SELLING A 1988 GMC AMBULANCE FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT ON MUNICIBID**

On a motion by B. Crawford, seconded by J. Hummel, and voted on unanimously, Council approved selling a 1988 GMC Ambulance from the police department on Municibid.

**APPROVAL OF SELLING A 2006 FORD EXPLORER FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT ON MUNICIBID**

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by V. DeMelfi, and voted on unanimously, Council approved selling a 1988 GMC Ambulance from the Police Department on Municibid.

**APPROVAL OF SELLING TWO (2) 2003 UNMARKED FORD CROWN VICTORIA'S FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT ON MUNICIBID**

On a motion by V. DeMelfi, seconded by J. Hummel, and voted on unanimously, Council approved selling two (2) 2003 Unmarked Ford Crown Victoria's from the police department on Municibid.

**APPROVAL OF SELLING THE TOWN HALL EXECUTIVE SESSION CONFERENCE TABLE ON MUNICIBID**

On a motion by B. Crawford, seconded by V. DeMelfi, and voted on unanimously, Council approved selling the Town Hall executive session conference table on Municibid.

**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO LEE ANN HUNSECKER FOR FACE PAINTING AT THE RENAISSANCE JAMBOREE IN 2020 TO PROMOTE THE JULY 4TH CELEBRATION**

On a motion by J. Hummel, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment in the amount of \$125.00 to Lee Ann Hunsecker for face painting at the Renaissance Jamboree in 2020 to promote the July 4th celebration.

**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO BIXLER PYROTECHNICS FOR FIREWORKS AT THE JULY 4TH CELEBRATION IN 2020**

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to Bixler Pyrotechnics in an amount not to exceed \$7,500.00 for fireworks at the July 4th Celebration in 2020.

**APPROVAL OF A RETIREMENT POLICY THAT STATES RETIREES RECEIVE A CHECK IN AN AMOUNT OF \$10.00 FOR EVERY YEAR OF SERVICE. IN ADDITION, THE RETIREE WILL RECEIVE AN HONORARY GIFT FROM THE TOWN IN A VALUE NOT TO EXCEED \$50.00**

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on 6 'yes' votes and 1 'no' vote (J. Huber), Council approved a retirement policy that states retirees receive a check in an amount of \$10.00 for every year of service. In addition, the retiree will receive an honorary gift from the Town in a value not to exceed \$50.00.

**APPROVAL OF LISTING THE COLUMBIA CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM BUILDING WITH SUSQUEHANNA REALTY**

On a motion by B. Crawford, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on 6 'yes' votes and 1 'no' vote (J. Garman), Council approved listing the Columbia Child Development Program building with Susquehanna Realty at an asking price of \$275,000.00.

**APPROVAL OF RELEASING THE REMAINING FINANCIAL SECURITY TO AAA STUDENT HOUSING**

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by V. DeMelfi, and voted on unanimously, Council approved releasing the remaining financial security to AAA Student Housing in the amount of \$6,962.50.

**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO THE BIG COUNTRY – NEPA BAND AT THE JULY 4TH CELEBRATION IN 2020**

On a motion by J. Hummel, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment in the amount of \$800.00 to the Big Country – NEPA band at the July 4th Celebration in 2020.

**APPROVAL OF THE EVENT POLICY**

On a motion by J. Hummel, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the event policy.

**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO HRI, INC. FOR GENERAL CONSTRUCTION OF THE FLOODWALL EXPANSION PROJECT**

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to HRI, Inc. in the Amount of \$749,564.89 for general construction of the Floodwall Expansion Project.

**APPROVAL OF SENDING LETTERS IN SUPPORT OF BILL 901, ACT 52, UCC (UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE) REGARDING TAX-FREE MAINTENANCE AND PARTS SALES TO PENNSYLVANIA AIRPORTS AND AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE FACILITIES**

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved sending letters in support of Bill 901, Act 52, UCC (Uniform Construction Code) regarding tax-free maintenance and parts sales to Pennsylvania airports and aircraft maintenance facilities.

**APPROVAL OF SENDING LETTERS TO THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved sending letters to the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.

**APPROVAL OF A FIREWORK LAUNCH SITE FOR THE JULY 4TH CELEBRATION IN 2020 LOCATED AT THE CORNER OF WEST FT. MCCLURE AND RAILROAD STREETS**

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, Council approved a firework launch site for the July 4th Celebration in 2020 located at the corner of West Ft. McClure and Railroad Streets.

**APPROVAL OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE BLOOMSBURG MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AND COLUMBIA COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY**

On a motion by J. Huber, seconded by T. Bell and voted on unanimously, Council denied a memorandum of understanding between the Bloomsburg Municipal Airport and Columbia County Emergency Management Agency. This was passed as a resolution.

**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO LIGHTSTREET PROJECTS, LLC IN REGARDS TO THE LIGHTSTREET ROAD ARC PROJECT**

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to Lightstreet Projects, LLC in the amount of \$49,811.99 in regards to the Lightstreet Road ARC Project.

**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO GREENMAN-PEDERSEN FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FROM JANUARY 1, 2020 TO JANUARY 31, 2020 REGARDING THE FLOODWALL EXPANSION PROJECT**

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by V. DeMelfi, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment in the amount of \$33,738.00 for professional services from January 1, 2020 to January 31, 2020 regarding the floodwall expansion project.

**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO SIMONE COLLINS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FROM FEBRUARY 1, 2020 TO FEBRUARY 29, 2020 REGARDING THE WALKABILITY TRAIL STUDY PROJECT**

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by V. DeMelfi, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to Simone Collins in the amount of \$4,061.16 for professional services from February 1, 2020 to February 29, 2020 regarding the Walkability Trail Study Project.

**APPROVAL OF HRI, INC. CHANGE ORDER #6 IN REGARDS TO THE FLOODWALL EXPANSION PROJECT**

On a motion by J. Hummel, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved HRI, Inc. change order #6 in the increased amount of \$178,061.61 in regards to the Floodwall Expansion Project.

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by J. Hummel, and voted on unanimously and with no further business, the meeting adjourned into an executive session at 8:05 p.m. for personnel matters.

Lisa Dooley  
Town Manager/Secretary/Treasurer