

A regular meeting of Bloomsburg Town Council was held Monday, August 13, 2018, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, Town Hall, 301 East Second Street, Bloomsburg, PA. Present were Mayor William Kreisher; Vice President Toni Bell; Council Members James Garman, James Huber, Bonnie Crawford, Fred Trump and Vince DeMelfi; Town Manager/Secretary Lauren Martz; Director of Human Resources/Assistant Secretary Tracy Lanzafame; Acting Public Works Superintendent John Fritz; Chief of Police Roger VanLoan; Code Enforcement Officer Ralf Magill and Director of Governmental Services/Recycling Coordinator Charles Fritz. Absent were Code Enforcement Officer Kyle Bauman and Fire Chief Scott McBride.

MAYOR'S REMARKS

Mayor W. Kreisher announced a Declaration of Emergency for the Town of Bloomsburg due to flooding. Starr Portables Potties will be available at the end of each block in the West end of town, and R. VanLoan will contact J. Wondoloski if a water buffalo is needed.

The Town Park Improvement Association's Cake and Ice Cream Festival will be on the first Thursday in August next year.

The archaeological dig for the Floodwall Expansion Project has been successful. No artifacts have been found and the Town has been approved to proceed with the project.

W. Kreisher thanked the Bloomsburg Volunteer Fire Company for the excellent work handling a fire on Poplar Street.

The Bloomsburg Shade Tree Commission will be represented by legal representation for the Joseph Yannone Appeal.

Town Council held an executive session to discuss legal and personnel matters at 8:28 p.m. and reconvened at 9:00 p.m.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

The owner of Good Old Days Sharon Babb requested approval from Council to have tables outside of the establishment on the East Street side. Currently S. Babb is licensed by the Liquor Control Board (LCB) to have 50' but she is requesting an adjustment to 60' x 40'. The LCB is requesting the Town approve before they issue a new license.

On a motion by J. Huber, seconded by F. Trump, and voted on unanimously, Council approved Sharon Babb's request to expand her outside seating from 50' to 60' x 40' per the License Control Board.

J. Green from the Town Pool Renovation Committee provided Council with a letter from Aquatic Facility Design explaining that the ADA portion of the Town Pool Renovation Project costs \$312,000.00. The Committee is requesting that Town Council designate \$150,000.00 of the 2018 CDBG Funds to the Town Pool Renovation Project instead of the Miller Avenue Project. J. Green is also requesting Council to consider setting aside 2019 CDBG Funds for the Town Pool Renovation Project.

APPROVAL OF JULY 23, 2018 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the July 23, 2018 Town Council meeting minutes without any changes or corrections.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF MONTHLY BILLS AND JULY PAYROLL AUTHORIZATION

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment of the following monthly bills: General Fund, \$423,135.34; Recycling Fund, \$13,298.52; Street Lighting Fund, \$4,225.74; Fire Fund, \$6,553.12; 2017 CDBG Entitlement, \$446.25; CDBG-DR Fund, \$4,349.40; Liquid Fuels Fund, \$12,705.96, and the July payroll authorization in the amount of \$209,611.60.

APPROVAL OF THE RESIGNATION OF JOSEPH MARTARANO FROM THE TOWN OF BLOOMSBURG PLANNING COMMISSION

On a motion by F. Trump, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the resignation of Joseph Martarano from the Town of Bloomsburg Planning Commission. Council will send a letter for appreciation of service.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO FIRST COLUMBIA BANK AND TRUST FOR QUARTERLY TRUSTEE FEES FOR THE POLICE PENSION PLAN

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to First Columbia Bank and Trust in the amount of \$4,712.67 for the quarterly trustee fees for the police pension plan.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO FIRST COLUMBIA BANK AND TRUST FOR QUARTERLY TRUSTEE FEES FOR THE EMPLOYEE PENSION PLAN

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to First Columbia Bank and Trust in the amount of \$3,910.65 for the quarterly trustee fees for the employee pension plan.

APPROVAL OF ADVERTISEMENT FOR THE POSITION OF FINANCE/ADMINISTRATIVE CLERK TO REPLACE C. CAUTO

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved advertisement for the position of Finance/Administrative Clerk to replace C. Cauto.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO THE BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION INC. AS PER THE COLUMBIA COUNTY ORDER DECLARING THEM TAX EXEMPT

On a motion by B. Crawford, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to the Bloomsburg University Foundation Inc. in the amount of \$18,159.59 as per the Columbia County order declaring them tax exempt.

APPROVAL OF ADVERTISEMENT OF A REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR AN AIRPORT ENGINEER

On a motion by B. Crawford, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on 6 'yes' votes and 1 'no' vote by J. Huber, Council approved advertisement of a request for qualifications for an airport engineer.

APPROVAL OF A WAGE INCREASE FOR PARKING ENFORCEMENT CLERK

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved a wage increase for Parking Enforcement Clerk Tracy Kishbaugh from \$11.95 to \$12.95 per hour.

APPROVAL OF THE ACTING PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT POSITION BE CHANGED TO DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

On a motion by F. Trump, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on 6 'yes' votes and 1 'no' vote by J. Huber, Council approved changing the position of Acting Superintendent of Public Works to Director of Public Works with a salary of \$67,000.00 per year.

APPROVAL OF A WAGE INCREASE FOR PUBLIC WORKS PART TIME SEASONAL EMPLOYEES

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by V. DeMelfi, and voted on unanimously, Council approved a wage increase for public works part time seasonal employees from \$9.52 to \$10.00 per hour.

APPROVAL OF CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

On a motion by F. Trump, seconded by J. Huber, and voted on unanimously, and on the recommendation of the Historic Architectural Review Board, Council approved a Certificate of Appropriateness for Liz Witting for exterior repairs and garage addition at 155 W. 5th Street.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO DON E. BOWER CONSTRUCTION FOR THE LIGHTSTREET ROAD ARC PROJECT

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to Don E. Bower Construction in the amount of \$89,589.88 for the Lightstreet Road ARC Project.

APPROVAL OF 2018 CDBG ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

On a motion by B. Crawford, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on 5 'yes' votes and 2 'no' votes by V. DeMelfi and W. Kreisher, Council approved the 2018 CDBG Annual Action Plan.

APPROVAL OF TRANSFERRING EXISTING HANDICAPPED SPACE AT 319 WEST 4TH STREET TO MARY E. KOUNTZ

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by F. Trump, and voted on unanimously, Council approved to transfer existing handicapped space at 319 W. 4th Street to Mary E. Kountz.

The meeting recessed into executive session at 8:28 p.m. to discuss legal and personnel matters and returned at 9:00 p.m.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved sending a letter on behalf of Council to the Bloomsburg Area School District explaining that the Town is currently not interested in a school resource officer, but will work with any officer they hire.

Committee Meeting Changes:

Admin/Finance meetings will begin at 9:00 a.m. on the first Wednesday of the month with Committee Members being W. Kreisher (chair), T. Bell, B. Crawford and V. DeMelfi.

Public Safety meetings will begin at 3:15 p.m. on the third Monday of every month with Committee Members being B. Crawford (chair), J. Garman and J. Huber.

Comm-D meetings will begin at 3:00 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of every month with Committee Members being F. Trump (chair), W. Kreisher, T. Bell and V. DeMelfi.

Public Works meetings will begin at 3:15 p.m. on the first Wednesday of every month with Committee Members being J. Huber (chair), J. Garman and F. Trump.

There being no further business to discuss, the Council meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Lauren Martz
Town Manager/Secretary