

A Bloomsburg Town Council meeting was held Monday, September 14, 2020, beginning at 7:00 p.m. via teleconference. Public joined by dialing: +1 646 558 8656 US and included the meeting ID: 456-920-3798. Public could also join online at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4569203798>.

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; Chief of Police Roger Van Loan; Director of Public Works John Fritz; Director of Code Enforcement Ken Roberts; Director of Finance Kathy Smith; Director of Environmental Services/Recycling Coordinator Charles Fritz; Airport Coordinator BJ Teichman, and Fire Chief Scott McBride. Public citizens present were Alex Dubil, Eric Ness, Jared Harris, Dan Knorr, Barbara Coladonato, Jylve Wemple, Tyler Dombroski, Dennis, Debra, Jesse, and Colten.

COUNCIL REMARKS

W. Kreisher announced that there will not be a second meeting in September.

W. Kreisher mentioned the floodwall dedication that took place last week and noted that the story was covered by WNEP.

J. Huber suggested the Town adopt an emergency ordinance.

CITIZEN TO BE HEARD

Dan Knorr provided Council with a brief COVID -19 update. It was noted that there are 27 new positive cases. Fifteen cases have been reported on campus and 11 cases reported off campus. There has been a total of 317 cases. D. Knorr noted 290 individuals have successfully completed self-isolation. D. Knorr expressed the difficulties that were faced in the beginning of the semester. It was noted that University staff started weekly meetings with the Town and County. Chief of Police R. Van Loan has been working the Dean of Students and additional assistance from the University Police is able to be requested.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 09-14-2020.01 AUDIO TAPE RETENTION RESOLUTION

On a motion by J. Hummel, seconded by J. Huber, and voted on unanimously, Council approved Resolution No. 09-14-2020.01 Audio Tape Retention Resolution.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 09-14-2020.02 MULTIMODAL TRANSPORTATION FUND GRANT

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved Resolution No. 09-14-2020.02 Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 09-14-2020.03 VERIZON PENNSYLVANIA, LLC RIGHT OF WAY

On a motion by J. Hummel, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, Council approved Resolution No. 09-14-2020.03 Verizon Pennsylvania, LLC Right of Way.

APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 24, PART 1 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF BLOOMSBURG RELATING TO THE AMUSEMENT TAX

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved an ordinance amending chapter 24, part 1 of the code of ordinances of the Town of Bloomsburg relating to the Amusement Tax.

APPROVAL OF AUGUST 24, 2020 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the August 24, 2020 Town Council minutes with no additions or corrections.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF MONTHLY BILLS AND AUGUST PAYROLL AUTHORIZATION

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Hummel, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment of the following monthly bills: General Fund, \$176,848.54; Recycling Fund, \$16,002.61; Street Lighting Fund, \$4,004.05; Fire Fund, \$5,720.65; Commercial Loan Repayment Fund, \$13,130.00; Liquid Fuels Fund, \$2,685.54; CDBG – Annual Entitlement Fund, \$12,215.97; and August Payroll Authorization, \$217,591.61.

APPROVAL OF ACCEPTING A REDUCING UNDERAGE DRINKING AND DANGEROUS DRINKING GRANT FOR THE BLOOMSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT

On a motion by B. Crawford, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved accepting a Reducing Underage Drinking and Dangerous Drinking Grant in the amount of \$38,620.00 for the Bloomsburg Police Department.

APPROVAL OF APPOINTING KEN ROBERTS TO THE CERTIFICATION COMMITTEE WITH THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF CODE ENFORCEMENT OF THE PERIOD OF NOVEMBER 2020 TO OCTOBER 2021

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved appointing Ken Roberts to the Certification Committee with the American Association of Code Enforcement for the period of November 2020 to October 2021.

APPROVAL OF APPOINTING JOHN GRABUSKY AS THE ZONING HEARING BOARD ALTERNATIVE

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved appointing John Grabusky as the Zoning Hearing Board alternative.

APPROVAL OF THE 2021 POLICE PENSION MINIMUM MUNICIPAL OBLIGATION

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the 2021 Police pension minimum municipal obligation in the amount of \$408,038.00, state aid estimated at \$183,600.00.

APPROVAL OF THE 2021 TOWN PENSION MINIMUM MUNICIPAL OBLIGATION

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the 2021 Town pension minimum municipal obligation in the amount of \$292,527.00, state aid estimated at \$153,000.00.

APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO EXTEND DOWNTOWN BLOOMSBURG INC. AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN

On a motion by B. Crawford, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, Council approved an amendment to extend Downtown Bloomsburg Inc. agreement with the Town.

APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT WITH VERIZON PENNSYLVANIA LLC

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved an agreement with Verizon Pennsylvania LLC.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO GREENMAN-PEDERSEN, INC. FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FROM JULY 1, 2020 TO JULY 31, 2020

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. in the amount of \$33,154.00 for professional services from July 1, 2020 to July 31, 2020.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO MCTISH, KUNKEL & ASSOCIATES FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FROM JULY 5, 2020 TO AUGUST 1, 2020 REGARDING THE TOWN PARK RESTORATION IMPROVEMENTS

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to McTish, Kunkel & Associates in the amount of \$6,330.00 for professional services from July 5, 2020 to August 1, 2020 regarding the Town Park restoration improvements.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO BORTON-LAWSON ENGINEERING FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FROM APRIL 1, 2018 TO APRIL 30, 2018 REGARDING THE FLOODWALL EXPANSION PROJECT

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to Borton-Lawson Engineering in the amount of \$9,000.00 for professional services from April 1, 2018 to April 30, 2018 regarding the floodwall expansion project.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO BORTON-LAWSON ENGINEERING FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FROM JUNE 27, 2020 TO JULY 31, 2020 REGARDING THE FLOODWALL EXPANSION PROJECT

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to Borton-Lawson Engineering in the amount of \$1,459.17 for professional services from June 27, 2020 to July 31, 2020 regarding the floodwall expansion project.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO BORTON-LAWSON ENGINEERING FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FROM APRIL 11, 2020 TO JULY 31, 2020 REGARDING THE FLOODWALL EXPANSION PROJECT

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to Borton-Lawson Engineering in the amount of \$82,592.64 for professional services from April 11, 2020 to July 31, 2020 regarding the floodwall expansion project.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO SEDA-COG FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES REGARDING THE FFY 2017 CDBG PROFESSIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AGREEMENT

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to SEDA-COG in the amount of \$550.00 for professional services regarding the FFY 2017 CDBG Professional and Administrative Services Agreement.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO SEDA-COG FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES REGARDING THE FFY 2018 CDBG PROFESSIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AGREEMENT

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to SEDA-COG in the amount of \$1,000.00 for professional services regarding the FFY 2018 CDBG Professional and Administrative Services Agreement.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO LIVIC CIVIL FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FROM 6/2/2020 THROUGH 8/10/2020

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to LIVIC Civil in the amount of \$1,267.50 for engineering services from 6/2/2020 through 8/10/2020.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO LIVIC CIVIL FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES REGARDING THE 2020 PAVING PROJECT

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to LIVIC Civil in the amount of \$4,287.50 for engineering services regarding the 2020 paving project.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO LIVIC CIVIL FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES REGARDING THE 5TH AND MARKET STREETS ARLE PROJECT

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to LIVIC Civil in the amount of \$2,484.30 for engineering services regarding the 5th and Market Streets ARLE project.

APPROVAL OF THE RECYCLING COLLECTION SERVICES INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF BLOOMSBURG AND BOROUGH OF DANVILLE

On a motion by B. Crawford, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on 5 'yes' votes and 2 'no' votes (V. DeMelfi and J. Huber), Council approved the Recycling Collection Services Intergovernmental Agreement between the Town of Bloomsburg and Borough of Danville.

APPROVAL OF THE STREET MAINTENANCE/ PARKING SCHEDULE- 1ST FULL WEEK & 3RD FULL WEEK TO BECOME PERMANENT

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on 6 'yes' votes and 1 'no' vote (V. DeMelfi), Council approved the street maintenance/ parking schedule- 1st full week & 3rd full week to become permanent and to not have this apply to October & November for weekly sweeping due to leaf collection.

APPROVAL OF THE 2019 SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT #1

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on 6 'yes' votes and 1 'no' vote (J. Huber), Council approved the 2019 substantial amendment #1.

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

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on 5 'yes' votes and 2 'no' votes (J. Huber and V. DeMelfi), Council approved payment to HRI, Inc. in the amount of \$386,840.69 for general construction regarding the floodwall expansion project.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO HAYDEN POWER GROUP FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES REGARDING THE FLOODWALL EXPANSION PROJECT

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on 5 'yes' votes and 2 'no' votes (J. Huber and V. DeMelfi), Council approved payment to Hayden Power Group in the amount of \$79,323.07 for professional services regarding the floodwall expansion project.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO DELTA AIRPORT CONSULTANTS, INC. FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES THROUGH AUGUST 30, 2020

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on 5 'yes' votes and 2 'no' votes (J. Huber and V. DeMelfi), Council approved payment to Delta Airport Consultants, Inc. in the amount of \$24,470.61 for professional services through August 30, 2020.

APPROVAL OF DON E. BOWER CHANGE ORDER #1 REGARDING THE 2020 PAVING PROJECT

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on 5 'yes' votes and 2 'no' votes (J. Huber and V. DeMelfi), Council approved Don E. Bower change order #1 in the increased amount of \$46,513.46 regarding the 2020 paving project.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO DON E. BOWER FOR THE 2020 PAVING PROJECT

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on 5 'yes' votes and 2 'no' votes (J. Huber and V. DeMelfi), Council approved payment to Don E. Bower in the amount of \$94,786.00 for the 2020 paving project.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO AQUATIC FACILITY DESIGN INC. FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES REGARDING THE NORRIS E. ROCK MEMORIAL POOL BID DOCUMENTS

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to Aquatic Facility Design Inc. in the amount of \$25,000.00 for professional services regarding the Norris E. Rock Memorial Pool bid documents.

APPROVAL OF PARKING PLANS FOR E. 2ND STREET (MATT ZOPPETTI)

On a motion by J. Hummel, seconded by J. Huber, and voted on unanimously, Council approved to un-table the parking plans for E. 2nd Street.

On a motion by J. Hummel, seconded by J. Huber, and voted on unanimously, Council denied the parking plans for E. 2nd Street (Matt Zoppetti).

APPROVAL OF SENDING A MATCHING SUPPORT LETTER REGARDING THE EAST 7TH STREET CONNECTIVITY PROJECT

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved sending a matching support letter regarding the East 7th Street connectivity project.

APPROVAL OF SETTING THE FOLLOWING FOOD TRUCK/VENDOR FEES: ANNUAL FEE - \$350.00, ONE FOOD TRUCK DAILY FEE - \$25.00, AND UP TO 3 FOOD TRUCKS PER DAY - \$60.00

On a motion by B. Crawford, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on 6 'yes' votes and 1 'no' vote (J. Huber), Council approved setting the following food truck/vendor fees: annual fee - \$350.00, one food truck daily fee - \$25.00, and up to 3 food trucks per day - \$60.00.

APPROVAL OF REGISTERING WITH THE CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT GRANT PROGRAM

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved registering with the Certified Local Government grant program.

APPROVAL OF ADVERTISING AN AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 27, ZONING, PART 8 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF BLOOMSBURG RELATING TO OFF-STREET PARKING AND LOADING REQUIREMENTS PENDING THE PLANNING AGENCIES COMMENT PERIOD UNTIL SEPTEMBER 19, 2020

On a motion by B. Crawford, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, Council approved advertising an amendment to Chapter 27, Zoning, Part 8 of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Bloomsburg relating to off-street parking and loading requirements pending the planning agencies comment period until September 19, 2020.

Alex Dubil asked if the ordinance amendment to off-street parking will include retro-fitting a building. K. Roberts clarified that renovating a structure for a new use would be included.

Scott McBride asked if he would be required to apply for additional permits for the fireman's carnival now that the food truck fees have been approved. K. Roberts noted that multiple day events have not been addressed at this time. It was suggested to waive the fees for non-profits.

APPROVAL TO SUBMIT FOR THE COMMUNITY FACILITIES GRANT AGREEMENT FOR TOTAL PROJECT FUNDING

On a motion by J. Hummel, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved to submit for the Community Facilities Grant Agreement for total project funding in the amount of \$2,447,225.00. The interest rate would be 2.25% for borrowing and the grant amount would be \$601,300.00 if awarded.

On a motion by J. Hummel, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously and with no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Lisa Dooley
Town Manager/Secretary/Treasurer