

A regular meeting of Bloomsburg Town Council was held Monday, October 8, 2018, beginning at 7:00p.m. in Council Chambers, Town Hall, 301 East Second Street, Bloomsburg, PA. Present were Mayor William Kreisher; Vice President Toni Bell; Council Members Fred Trump, James Huber, James Garman, Bonnie Crawford, and Vince DeMelfi; Town Manager/Secretary Lauren Martz; Director of Human Resources/Assistant Secretary Tracy Lanzafame; Administrative Assistant Bobbi Erlston; Director of Public Works John Fritz; Chief of Police Roger VanLoan; Director of Governmental Services/Recycling Coordinator Charles Fritz; and Code Enforcement Officer Ralph Magill. Absent were Code Enforcement Officer Kyle Bauman; Airport Coordinator BJ Teichman; and Fire Chief Scott McBride.

MAYOR'S REMARKS

W. Kreisher thanked Dan Knorr and Bloomsburg University for their efforts in providing the Town with a list of contractors that have completed work for the University who are subject to the Town's Gross Receipt Tax.

W. Kreisher noted the Town of Bloomsburg is researching the parameters of how to standardize collecting amusement tax from sports games and other events in the community to ensure all entities are being collected from uniformly.

W. Kreisher announced that Downtown Bloomsburg Inc. (DBI) has given Bloomsburg University students brochures that include descriptions of all current downtown businesses.

W. Kreisher announced that DBI provided the Town with additional lights to make more vibrant the holiday wreaths that get attached to the street light poles. The Bloomsburg Public Works Department will be responsible for hanging the additional strand of lights.

W. Kreisher noted that the Airport Community Day was a success.

W. Kreisher informed the public that the YMCA in York Pennsylvania took over the responsibility of owning and operating the York municipal pool several years ago and it has since become a great success. Bloomsburg Town Council is interested in facilitating conversations with the Bloomsburg YMCA or other interested entities to take ownership of the pool in an effort for them to revitalize and operate the Bloomsburg Town pool.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Co-Organizers of "Better Angels" Karen Ward and Karen Cotter informed Council that a workshop will be held at the Trinity Reformed Church from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. to discuss different political views. The workshop will consist of a structured format where 5-7 liberal leaning participants and 5-7 conservative-leaning participants will engage in respectful conversation about numerous topics. Outside moderators will be brought in as well to help facilitate the event and 15 silent observes are permitted to attend. The event is free but interested parties are asked to register in advance. The website www.Better-Angels.org gives an informative overview of the program.

Coalition of Social Equity representative Steve Engelhardt informed Council of different events that will take place throughout the next few months and encouraged interested parties to contact him. A representative of the Coalition will continue to attend Council meetings in the upcoming months to continue to keep the community informed.

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2018 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

On a motion by F. Trump, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the September 10, 2018 Town Council minutes with corrections to the spelling of Notary Republic to Notary Public and funds to funds.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF MONTHLY BILLS AND SEPTEMBER PAYROLL AUTHORIZATION

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment of the following monthly bills: General Fund, \$432,961.39; Recycling Fund, \$22,406.81; Street Lighting Fund, \$4,776.01; Fire Fund, \$18,713.70; Liquid Fuels Fund, \$4,733.76; CDBG-DR Fund, \$12,600.57; HOME Fund, \$22,600.00, and the September payroll authorization in the amount of \$209,873.00.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO KORN FERRY FROM POLICE PENSION PLAN FOR THIRD QUARTER ACTUARIAL SERVICES

On a motion by F. Trump, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment in the amount of \$3,202.50 from the Police Pension fund for third quarter actuarial services.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO KORN FERRY FROM EMPLOYEE PENSION PLAN FOR THIRD QUARTER ACTUARIAL SERVICES

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment in the amount of \$3,202.50 from the Employee Pension fund for third quarter actuarial services.

APPROVAL OF ENGAGEMENT LETTER WITH ATTORNEY DONALD KARPOWICH

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved an engagement letter with Attorney Donald Karpowich at \$100.00 per hour for Zoning and Codes Related Matters.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO HUMMEL AND LEWIS FOR 2017 LEGAL INVOICES

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved of payment to Hummel and Lewis in the amount of \$2,228.85 for 2017 legal invoices.

APPROVAL OF AN HOURLY WAGE OF \$11.26 FOR PART-TIME RECYCLING EMPLOYEE CODY BLASS

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved a hourly wage of \$11.26 for part-time recycling employee Code Blass effective October 9, 2018.

APPROVAL OF WITHDRAWING CHARGES AGAINST LEANNE COLADONATO

On a motion by F. Trump, seconded by V. DeMelfi, and voted on 6 'yes' votes and 1 'no' votes by B. Crawford, Council approved withdrawing charges against Leanne Coladonato for her inappropriate placement of bucketed sewer waste at Town Hall on August 30, 2018.

APPROVAL OF RELEASING FIRE ESCROW FUNDS TO PAMELA WYNN FOR 351-353 E. FIRST STREET

On a motion by V. DeMelfi, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on 5 'yes' votes, 1 'no' vote by F. Trump, and 1 abstention from W. Kreisher, Council approved releasing fire escrow funds in the amount of \$24,675.10 to Pamela Wynn for 351-353 E. First Street.

APPROVAL OF CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

On a motion by F. Trump, seconded by V. DeMelfi, and voted on unanimously, and on the recommendation of the Historic Architectural Review Board, Council approved a Certificate of Appropriateness for Andrew Hergan for a roof replacement and gutter repair at 208-214 East Street.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by V. DeMelfi, and voted on unanimously, and on the recommendation of the Historic Architectural Review Board, Council approved a Certificate of Appropriateness for Cleve Hummel to install a fence at 20 E. Fifth Street.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, and on the recommendation of the Historic Architectural Review Board, Council denied a Certificate of Appropriateness for James Pripinias for signage at 120 E. Main Street.

On a motion by F. Trump, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on 6 'yes' votes and 1 'no' vote by V. DeMelfi, and on the recommendation of the Historic Architectural Review Board, Council approved a Certificate of Appropriateness for Columbia County Housing Authority for exterior renovations at 375-381 West Street.

APPROVAL OF A DCED GREENWAYS, TRAILS AND RECREATION PROGRAM GRANT AGREEMENT

On a motion by F. Trump, seconded by J. Huber, and voted on unanimously, Council approved a DCED Greenways, Trails and Recreation Program Grant agreement in the amount of \$25,000 through the CFA (Commonwealth Financing Authority) to be used to develop a Town wide walkability and trail study for the Town of Bloomsburg.

APPROVAL OF 2019 DANVILLE RECYCLING AGREEMENT

On a motion by F. Trump, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the 2019 Danville Recycling Agreement in the amount of \$39,900.00.

APPROVAL OF PURCHASING 3 TRASH RECEPTACLES FROM TRASHCANS WAREHOUSE

On a motion by J. Huber, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved of purchasing 3 trash receptacles from Trashcans Warehouse in the amount of \$3,443.37 to be strategically placed along Lightstreet Road. To be paid for via Cleve Hummel, Bloomsburg University Foundation, and Bloomsburg University CGA.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO THE OTTERY GROUP FOR A PHASE I ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY FOR THE FLOODWALL EXPANSION PROJECT

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to The Ottery Group in the amount of \$24,977.72 for Phase I Archaeological Survey for the Floodwall Expansion Project.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO BORTON LAWSON FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE FLOODWALL EXPANSION PROJECT

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by V. DeMelfi, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to Borton Lawson in the amount of \$16,708.33 for professional services from June 23, 2018 to September 28, 2018 for the Floodwall Expansion Project.

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On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to Borton Lawson in the amount of \$242,272.21 for services from July 7, 2018 to September 28, 2018 for the Floodwall Expansion Project.

APPROVAL TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS TO CONSTRUCT THE FLOODWALL EXPANSION PROJECT

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved advertising for bids to construct the Floodwall Expansion Project contingent upon receiving environmental review clearance.

APPROVAL TO PURCHASE A CATERPILLAR 420F2 IT FOR THE TOWN OF BLOOMSBURG PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

On a motion by B. Crawford, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on 5 'yes' votes and 2 'no' votes by F. Trump and V. DeMelfi, Council approved the purchase of a Caterpillar 420F2 IT in the amount of \$114,465.00 for the Town of Bloomsburg Public Works Department.

APPROVAL OF GIVING THE BLOOMSBURG MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY FIRST RIGHT OF REFUSAL TO BUY OUT THE BACKHOE FROM THE TOWN WHICH WAS PURCHASED JOINTLY IN 2011

On a motion by J. Huber, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved giving the Bloomsburg Municipal Authority first right of refusal to buy out 50% of the backhoe from the Town which was purchased jointly in 2011.

APPROVAL TO PURCHASE A CATERPILLAR BA118C HYDRAULIC ANGLE BROOM ATTACHMENT

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved to purchase a Caterpillar BA118C Hydraulic Angle Broom Attachment to be used on the Skid Steer in the amount of \$6,845.00 for the Town of Bloomsburg Public Works Department.

APPROVAL OF UGI UTILITIES INC. PAINTING A CROSSWALK AND INSTALLING TWO PEDESTRIAN SIGNS ON SEVENTH STREET

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved UGI Utilities, Inc. painting a crosswalk and installing two pedestrian signs on Seventh St.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO STEVE SHANNON FOR A TIRE CHANGING MACHINE

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment in the amount of \$5,400.00 for a tire changing machine, cost charged at a prorated amount per vehicle by each Town of Bloomsburg department.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO SOKOL, INC. FOR CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR STREET PAVING OF MICHAEL DRIVE

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by F. Trump, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to Sokol, Inc. in the amount of \$10,972.00 for change order #1 for street paving of Michael Drive.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO SOKOL, INC. FOR CHANGE ORDER #2 FOR STREET PAVING OF CENTER STREET

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to Sokol, Inc. in the amount of \$5,100.13 for change order #2 for street paving of Center Street.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO SOKOL, INC. FOR CHANGE ORDER #3 FOR STREET PAVING OF MICHAEL DRIVE

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to Sokol, Inc. in the amount of \$8,307.40 for change order #3 for street paving of Michael Drive.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO SOKOL, INC. FOR CHANGE ORDER #4 FOR STREET PAVING OF NINTH STREET

On a motion by F. Trump, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to Sokol, Inc. in the amount of \$1,990.00 for change order #4 for street paving of Ninth Street.

Chief of Police Roger VanLoan informed Council that Trick or Treat Night will be on October 31, 2018 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

There being no further business to discuss, the Council meeting adjourned into executive session to discuss a personnel and legal matter at 8:22 p.m. and did not reconvene.

Lauren Martz
Town Manager/Secretary