

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Bodish

In attendance were: President Bodish, Mayor Burkner, Dreisbach, Hermany, Kern, Luckenbach, Santoroski, Sodl

President Bodish led pledge of allegiance.

Minutes from workshop meeting of February 13, 2024 & March 5, 2024 were approved as presented to council.

All in favor **7; Carried**

Hearing of persons present: Annie: questioned approved advertisement amendment for utility street opening.

Benson – nothing to report

Mayors Report: Good networking night at Jeanie McNeill’s dinner.

Solicitors Report: Street opening advertisement of amendments. All street opening permits require a sign off from PW director. Change with ordinates: New definition for the word “Block & Half Block”. New subsection added for financial. New sections have been added.

Reports of Officers and Standing committees:

Dreisbach- Nothing to report

Hermany – Will contact last year’s pool employees, has applications. Park & Rec vote on 3rd Tuesday of the month to move meeting.

Kern – Passed yearly audit with flying colors. Expect written formal notice at the end of May.

Luckenbach- Nothing to report.

Santoroski – Nothing to report

Sodl – Nothing to report

Bodish- PW: working under normal operations. Closed 3/29 Friday for easter. Following Friday, April 5 starts yard waste.

Old Business: Civil service commission members unable attend civil service test at Whitehall school and removed it from agenda.

New Business:

Motion by Mr. Luckenbach, second by Mr. Hermany, to approve police, fire, health and building inspector reports.

All in favor 7; Opposed _____ Abstain _____ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Mr. Sodl, second by Mr. Santorski, to approve February 2024 Treasurers report.

All in favor 7; Opposed _____ Abstain _____ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Mr. Dreisbach, second by Mr. Kern, to approve all bills as submitted to members of council.
All in favor 7; Opposed _____ Abstain _____ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Mr. Luckenbach, second by Mr. Hermany, to approve Lehigh County to use 165 Cherry Street for polling Facility on May 23, 2024 for Primary and November 5, 2024 as tentative date for General Election.

All in favor 7; Opposed _____ Abstain _____ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Mr. Kern, second by Mr. Hermany to approve moving the Park & Recreation Meetings to 3rd Tuesday of the Month.

All in favor 7; Opposed _____ Abstain _____ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Mr. Luckenbach, second by, Mr. Dreisbach to approve Act 57 of 2022 to require taxing districts to waive additional charges for real estate taxes in certain situations outlined in Local Taxation Collection Law. Required by Portnoff Law, Delinquent Real Estate Collectors.

All in favor 7; Opposed _____ Abstain _____ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Mr. Luckenbach, second by Mr. Kern to approve returning \$3,682.99 in remaining funds in Escrow to Scheuermann in completion of the 18 Month Maintenance Period for the Multi-Tenant Residential Buildings project at 250 N 2nd Street.

All in favor 7; Opposed _____ Abstain _____ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Mr. Kern, second by, Mr. Sodl to approve payment for Professional Services proposal from Acela Architects + Engineers in the amount of \$16,800 to design a Conceptual Renovations Plan for 165 Cherry Street due to Multi- Purpose Community Facility Grant Borough is applying for.

All in favor 7; Opposed _____ Abstain _____ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Mr. Hermany, Second by, Mr. Santoroski to approve Resolution # 1510 adopting Emergency Operations Plan.

All in favor 7; Opposed _____ Abstain _____ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Mr. Luckenbach, second by Mr. Sodl approve Resignation of Wayne Green effective March 5, 2024.

All in favor 7; Opposed _____ Abstain _____ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Mr. Sodl, second by Mr. Hermany, to approve Retirement payout for Wayne Green. Comp, 60% of Sick and Vacation time in the amount of \$36,878.00.

All in favor 7; Opposed _____ Abstain _____ **Carried/Denied**

Motion by Mr. Kern, second by Mr. Hermany, to approve advertising for amendment of the Coplay Borough Street Opening Ordinance.

All in favor 7; Opposed _____ Abstain _____ **Carried/Denied**

Any other items for Discussion:

Next Meetings:

April 2, 2024 Workshop Meeting at 7:00 PM

April 9, 2024 Regular Meeting at 7:00 PM

Motion by Mr. Kern, second by Mr. Santoroski, to adjourn meeting 7:23 PM.

All in favor 7; Opposed _____ Abstain _____ **Carried/Denied**