

BOROUGH OF PATTERSON HEIGHTS
COUNCIL MINUTES
February 17, 2016

7:00 pm Council Meeting called to order by President, Bill Starn and meeting was being recorded.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Council Members

President: Bill Starn - Present

Vice President: Jim Turnbull - Present

Tim Weisenburger - Present

Frances Levinger - Absent

Bryan Landman- Present

Connie Klein - Present

Sue Pokego - Present

Mayor

Phyllis Aluseo – Present

Officers

Secretary/Treasurer: Renee Cameron – Present

Solicitor: Chad McMillen – Absent Nick Urick - Present

Police Report: Chief Jones - Present - Chief reported 9 incidents for the month of January 2016. Mr. Turnbull addressed his concerns to the chief regarding enforcing the stop sign violations in the Borough. **Discussion took place.** Chief reassured Council that they will do their best to patrol the area.

Tax Collector Report: Susan Philipp - Absent - Mr. Starn read report. Tax report on file.

Fire Chief Report: Medlin – Present – Report was read. 6 calls were reported for the month of January 2016. Chief stated they received a PA Grant in the amount of \$11,511.00. Mr. Turnbull expressed his gratitude to the Fire Department and Mr. Landman for assisting him with his medical needs last month.

Visitors:

Xander Wilkinson - 504 4th Avenue - Xander wanted to commend Nathan for a job well done with the roads and the alley ways. Xander asked if the memorial plaque for Bob Harker has been hung up. Mr. Turnbull responded on behalf of Council that the plaque has been mounted.

Joanne Signore - 677 4th Street - Complaint about the snow being plowed in her driveway. Asked if the road department can come and clear her driveway. Mr. Turnbull responded on behalf of Council that he spoke to our Solicitor and the road department is supposed to plow the roads first and the residents are to maintain their own driveways.

Chris Rossi - 625 4th Street - Complaint about the snow plowed on her road.

Ruthanne Bentley - 509 4th Street - Gave an update on the View From The Heights. Issue was delivered the week of February 1, 2016. Ruthanne thanked the community for their help and support with the View. She discussed the "Next Door" web site and encouraged the residents to sign-up.

Code Enforcement Report: D. L. Pella – Absent – Mr. Starn read Code Enforcement report for January, 2016.

- **612 7th Avenue - Discussion took place.**

Communications: Read by Mr. Starn

- Letter from DCNR Moraine State Park
- Letter from PSAB for Distinguished service award.
- Letter of interest from Mr. Norm Ely, to serve Brusters ice cream at Patterson Heights annual Community Days on August 7, 2016
- Letter PA One call for Nathan to attend the March 31, 2016 event "*How to properly mark your underground lines during a Locator Program.* **Discussion took place.**

Secretary/Treasurer - N/A

Minutes

A Motion was made by Mr. Landman to approve the meeting minutes of January 20, 2016, 2nd by Ms. Pokego. PASSED UNANIMOUS

Public Safety Committee:

Mr. Landman stated he received 3 phone calls from residents about nuisance dogs running loose. Mr. Landman received a phone call from Mrs. Jamison to discuss permission for her to purchase her right away to Harrah Alley. Mr. Landman addressed Solicitor Urick. **Discussion took place.** Was advised that this is a Civil matter.

Building and Grounds Committee:

Mr. Turnbull gave an update . He stated that Nathan had to replace the kitchen faucet. Josh from Intertech Security will be in contact with the Borough Secretary to set up an appointment to install the other security box for the cameras.

Streets and Sewers Committee:

Mr. Starn discussed the Insight Pipe invoice that he received for work that was performed 2 years ago January 14, 2014 in the amount of \$45,215.80. **Discussion took place.**

Recreation Committee:

Ms. Cameron gave an update on Community Days to be held on Sunday, August 7, 2016. A schedule of events was provided to all Council for review and on file.

Recycling and Refuse Committee – Ms. Pokego addressed Council if they had a chance to review the recycling ordinance draft that was prepared by Solicitor and asked for input. Mr. Landman addressed his concerns about enforceability of the ordinance. Mr. Turnbull handed out a letter to all Council for review addressing his concerns with the recycling ordinance. Mr. Turnbull read his letter to Council. **Discussion took place.**

Budget and Finance Committee - Mr. Weisenburger gave an update on the letter he wrote to Penn DOT. Penn DOT is willing to grant the Borough's request to re-amortize our loan once the remaining funds have been returned. **A motion was made by Mr. Weisenburger to send the remaining funds back to Penn DOT in the amount of \$112,909.82, 2nd by Mr. Landman. PASSED UNANIMOUS.**

Rental Prop and Maintenance Inspection Committee - N/A

New Business

➤ **Little Free Library**

Ms. Bentley handed out a packet on the "*Little Free Library*" to all of Council. She gave a brief presentation along with ideas for the community. She would like to see one put along 4th street. She would like to put an article in the next issue of the View From The Heights and would like to ask for support from the Community to get one started. **Discussion took place.** Mr. Turnbull offered to volunteer to build the little library.

➤ **Codification of Ordinances**

Mr. Starn shared information with Council that he learned at Boot Camp on codification of ordinances. **Discussion took place.**

Old Business

Officer Reports

- Mayor - N/A (Aluseo)
- Zoning Board/Code - N/A (MDIA)
- COG (Starn)
- Emergency Management Coordinator – N/A (Landman)
Mr. Landman asked if his name has been submitted as the new appointed EMA Coordinator to the County. Ms. Cameron stated she is in the process of submitting the paperwork. Mr. Starn asked Mr. Landman to find out about the ID badges for all elected officials.
- Solicitor McMillen - Absent
Solicitor Urick - Present

Amendment to Ordinance No. 262

A motion was made by Mr. Turnbull to accept the amended changes to Ordinance No. 262, 2nd by Mr. Landman. Discussion took place Mr. Turnbull changed his motion to advertise the summary of the revisions to Ordinance No. 262, 2nd by Mr. Landman. PASSED UNANIMOUS

ANNOUNCEMENTS - N/A

A motion was made by Mr. Turnbull to approve the monthly bills for February, 2016, 2nd by Ms. Pokego. PASSED UNANIMOUS.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Entered into Executive session at 8:49 p.m.

Entered into regular meeting 9:13 p.m. No votes were taken

The meeting was adjourned upon a motion by Mr. Turnbull, 2nd by Mr. Landman. **PASSED UNANIMOUS at 9:13 p.m.**

Renee Cameron, Secretary/Treasurer

Bill Starn, President

Date

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