Borough of Pitcairn Council Regular Meeting Minutes March 9, 2020 7:00 pm

Meeting called to order – President Dona Galia Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call:

John Bova

Kevin Dick

Cammeo Farally absent

Debra Freeman

Dona Galia

Lisa Petrosky

Jim Rullo

Mayor Margaret Stevick

All present with the exception of Cammeo Farally.

Mrs. Galia announced Council held an Executive Session at 6:00 pm to discuss personnel matters.

Mr. Bova motioned to approve Minutes from February 24, 2020 Borough Council Workshop Meeting. Seconded by Mr. Rullo; motion carried unanimously.

Citizen Comment on Agenda Items

There were no comments or questions.

Mayor Betsy Stevick

Mayor Stevick reminded residents the Borough has a drug take-back box. She also reminded residents the census will be sending out letters, it is important to participate.

Personnel – Dona Galia

Mr. Rullo motioned to accept the resignation of Council member Cammeo Farally. Seconded by Mrs. Petrosky; motion carried unanimously. Mrs. Galia thanked her for her time serving on Council.

Mrs. Galia reported Council received six letters of interest in filling the remainder of Mrs. Farally's term. Mrs. Freeman nominated Michael Tobias to fill the remainder of Mrs. Farally's term on Council. Seconded by Mr. Bova; motion carried unanimously. As Mr. Tobias was present, Mayor Stevick swore him in.

Mrs. Galia appointed Mr. Tobias to the Health and Welfare Committee.

Mrs. Galia explained there are two vacancies on the Planning Commission. She nominated Lisa Petrosky. Seconded by Mr. Bova; motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Petrosky nominated Dan Castagnero to the Planning Commission. Seconded by Mr. Bova; motion carried unanimously. Mr. Dick commented that he thought another resident was also interested.

Streets – Kevin Dick

Mr. Dick motioned to approve acceptance of My Work Initiative participant who has applied to Pitcairn. The program is in cooperation with the Gateway School District and runs from June 15th until August 14th. Seconded by Mr. Bova; motion carried unanimous.

Mr. Dick appreciated the applicants for Council and encouraged residents to run in the future, hoped that younger people will get involved. He thanked Mrs. Farally and welcomed Mr. Tobias back.

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<u>Parks and Recreation – Debra Freeman</u>

Mrs. Freeman announced the Department of Agriculture is asking residents to destroy and report the invasive pest known as the spotted lantern fly. Information is on the meeting room table and on the Borough website. She said the pest has been found around the playing fields and there have been articles on the internet.

Finance and Economic Development – Lisa Petrosky

Mrs. Petrosky motioned to pay bills as presented. Seconded by Mr. Tobias; motion carried unanimously.

Health and Welfare - Mike Tobias

Mr. Tobias expressed gratitude for the opportunity to serve again on Council.

<u>Electric – John Bova</u>

Mr. Bova thanked Mrs. Farally for her service on Council and welcomed Mr. Tobias back.

Public Safety – Jim rullo

Mr. Rullo motioned to advertise for part time Police Officers. Seconded by Mr. Dick, motion carried unanimously. Mr. Rullo thanked Mrs. Farally and congratulated Mr. Tobias.

Solicitor's Report

Solicitor Mike Witherel announced that Gateway School District signed the deed for 582 Sixth Street and their Solicitor will turn it over to the Borough.

Engineer's Report

Engineer Don Black reported speaking with Garvin Boward Beitko Engineering, they are close to putting out the specs for bids, good timing with the seasons changing, he met with Liberoni over the punch list items which they agreed to and the Borough will pay them with retainage. Mr. Black and Jim Comunale will be meeting with PennDOT at the Taylor Avenue Bridge. Mr. Black recommended the least investment knowing the structure will be obsolete when the flood project is done. Mr. Black invited anyone on Council to attend. Mr. Black: do you have a paving program, a budget in mind for this year. Mr. Dick thought Jim Comunale has a list. Mr. Dick said there may be more houses to be demoed and added to the list.

Borough Manager's Report

Ms. Dietz read aloud the bank fund balances and Tax Collector report.

Police Chief Report

Nothing tonight.

Mrs. Galia thanked everyone who submitted letters of interest to serve on Council. She encouraged them to reapply for a future term.

Mr. Dick motioned to Adjourn at 7:20 pm. Seconded by Mr. Tobias; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Annette Dietz