Borough of Pitcairn Council Meeting Minutes September 9, 2019 7:00 pm

Meeting called to order – President Michael Tobias Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mr. Tobias asked for a moment of silence in honor of Rollo Vecchio. He summarized Mr. Vecchio's public service to Pitcairn.

Roll Call:

Doug Crothers absent

Kevin Dick Cammeo Farally Dona Galia Lorraine Myers

Jim Rullo absent

Mike Tobias Mayor Stevick

Mr. Tobias: Solicitor Matthew Kalina is sitting in for Michael Witherel. Council held an Executive Session at 6:00 pm to discuss personnel and legal matters.

Mrs. Galia motioned to approve Minutes from July 8 and August 12, 2019 Borough Council Meetings. Seconded by Mrs. Myers; motion carried unanimously.

Citizen Comment on Agenda Items

There were none.

Mayor Betsy Stevick

No reports this evening. Mayor Stevick shared car seat information.

Personnel – Dona Galia

Mrs. Galia thanked Police Chief Scott Farally and Fireman Nick Turner, invited to train nearly 300 AIU staff regarding fire and co2 detectors and safety. They did a great job.

Streets – Mike Tobias

Council is in receipt of PennDOT list of Borough owned bridges to be inspected biannually.

Parks and Recreation – Cammeo Farally

The Borough has applied for two CDBG grants for Park Building improvements: exterior concrete improvements totaling \$34,775 with a Borough match of \$4,500 and for a new heating and cooling unit including installation of gas line for future cost savings. Total value: \$48,300 with Borough match of \$6,300.

Mrs. Farally motioned to approve Department of Agriculture use of Park Building daily for one month related to invasive weeds and insect study. Seconded by Mrs. Myers; motion carried unanimously.

Finance and Economic Development – Jim Rullo

Mr. Dick motioned to pay bills as presented. Seconded by Mrs. Galia; motion carried unanimously.

Health and Welfare - Kevin Dick

Mr. Dick motioned to adopt concurring Resolution 47-2019 for a GEDF grant application in the amount of \$131,500 for demolitions. Borough responsibility would be \$12,500. Seconded by Mrs. Myers; motion carried Kevin, unanimously.

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Mr. Dick announced that 428 Highland had received no bids for purchase. Solicitor Matthew Kalina explained per Borough Code must be advertised a second time to solicit bids. Mr. Dick motioned to advertise the second time for bids the sale of 428 Highland. Seconded by Mrs. Farally; motion carried unanimously.

Code Enforcement Report – John Prucnal

Mr. Prucnal submitted his report to Council. He observed while he was off Nick Turner did a good job enforcing Codes. Several Hearings are coming up. The Monjon Hearing was postponed; Mr. Kalina is working with the Code Office.

<u>Electric – Lorraine Myers</u>

Nothing this evening.

Public Safety – Doug Crothers

Mrs. Galia motioned to accept resignation of part time police officer Brandon Morris. Seconded by Mr. Dick; motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor's Report

No additional items for public report.

Engineer's Report

Mr. Black highlighted his report: several construction projects in the works, 6th street sanitary sewer grant project, creating bid specs for Center Avenue slide grant, bids will be opened for a portion of Wood Street reconstruction grant.

Borough Manager's Report:

Ms. Dietz read the various bank fund balances and Tax Collector's report.

Police Chief Report:

Chief Farally reported Pitcairn Fire and Police responded to a vehicle accident and fire, safely extricating the driver. He commended Officers Gibson and Lawson as well as the Volunteer Fire Company for their quick response.

Mayor Stevick reminded everyone of the PitCare Library Grand Opening Saturday at 1:00 pm. Mr. Tobias added the new Borough Building Dedication will be September 28th at 10 am.

Mr. Dick motioned to Adjourn at 7:23 pm. Seconded by Mrs. Farally; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Annette Dietz