

MINUTES TO REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 21, 2020

The Regular Meeting of the Borough of Baldwin Council was called to order by President Marianne Conley at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 21, 2020

The invocation was done by Mr. Behers and the following Council and staff answered to roll call:

Mrs. Patty Boyer
Mr. Chad Hurka- absent
Mrs. Denise Maiden
Mr. Francis Scott
Mr. James Behers
Mr. John Egger - Vice-President
Mrs. Marianne Conley - President
Mr. David Depretis - Mayor
Mr. Jason Stanton - Engineer
Mrs. Ashley Wagner - Solicitor
Mrs. Diana Behers - Treasurer
Chief Tony Cortazzo
Mr. Robert Firek - Borough Manager

Mrs. Conley explained a brief executive session was held prior to the meeting.

Mrs. Conley asked for the following approval of Council Meeting Minutes:

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

- M-1** *Mr. Egger made a motion to approve the Agenda Meeting Minutes of November 12, 2019; second by Mr. Behers. Upon vote, motion passed.*
- M-2** *Mr. Egger made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2019; second by Mr. Behers. Upon vote, motion passed.*

AUDIENCE AGENDA: Agenda Items Only: 5 MINUTES PER SPEAKER OR GROUP

Mrs. Conley asked the audience if they would like to address Council on anything that is on the Agenda. Please come forward and state your name and address for the record.

No one approached the podium.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Stanton noted his Monthly Engineers report last week from January 14, 2020 summarized their activity for the month. He asked Council for the following motions for consideration:

- M-3** *Mr. Scott made a motion to approve Partial Payment No. 5 in the amount of \$22,607.26, to A. Liberoni, Inc. for Contract No. 19-R01 (2019 Roadway and Storm Sewer Project) per the recommendation of the Borough Engineer; second by Mr. Egger. Upon vote, motion passed.*
- M-4** *Mr. Scott made a motion to approve Partial Payment No. 4 in the amount of \$53,382.37, to A. Liberoni, Inc. for Contract No. 19-R02 (2019 Roads Liquid Fuels) per the recommendation of the Borough Engineer; second by Mr. Egger. Upon vote, motion passed.*

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Mrs. Conley asked if anyone had any questions for the Engineer. None were asked.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mrs. Wagner provided her report to Council at the last meeting and she did not have anything additional to report.

Mrs. Conley asked if anyone had any questions for the Solicitor. None were asked.

MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor provided information from the Police Monthly Activity Report for December 2019:

Report of calls for the month of December were 608

Fees collected in December were \$278.00

Calls given to police from 911- not available

Mrs. Conley asked anyone had any questions for the Mayor or the Chief. None were asked.

ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Firek reviewed the monthly report with Council at the last meeting. He has nothing additional from his report provided to Council and asked for the following motions for Council's consideration:

- M-5** *Mr. Scott made a motion to Adopt Ordinance No. 900 for the Rezoning of Schuette Farms from PRD to R-1(Residential); second by Mr. Egger. Upon vote, motion passed.*
- M-6** *Mr. Egger made a Motion to Adopt Ordinance No. 902 for the Rezoning of Lot and Block 187-C-30 from C-1 (Commercial) to R-1(Residential); second by Mrs. Maiden. Upon vote, motion passed.*
- M-7** *Mr. Egger made a Motion for a First reading and Motion to Advertise for proposed Ordinance No. 908 to revise the existing pre-treatment standards for the discharge of wastewater into the collection system operated by the Borough of Baldwin); second by Mr. Behers. Upon vote, motion passed.*
- Mr. Scott- asked Mr. Firek if this is regarding the Pleasant Hills Authority. Mr. Firek said yes this is what Mr. Stanton discussed at the last meeting and this is the title the Authority gave it.
- M-8** *Mr. Egger made a motion for approval of Resolution No. 2020-01-01 for the Borough of Baldwin approving a Capital Lease from First National Bank for the Purchase of a 2019 JCB Backhoe; second by Mr. Behers. Upon vote, motion passed.*
- M-9** *Mr. Egger made a motion to Adopt Resolution No. 2020-01-02 appointing Denise Maiden as the Delegate and Patty Boyer as the Alternate Representative to the SHACOG Franchising Authority Board; second by Mr. Behers. Upon vote, motion passed.*
- M-10** *Mr. Egger made a motion to Adopt Resolution No. 2020-01-03 appointing Marianne Conley as the Delegate and Patty Boyer as the Alternate Representative to the SHACOG Joint Rate Review Board; second by Mr. Behers. Upon vote, motion passed.*

Mrs. Conley asked if there were any questions for Mr. Firek. None were asked.

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FINANCE

Mr. Firek said Mr. Hurka is not present and the December 2019 Monthly Revenue and Expenditure reports were reviewed with Council the previous week. He has nothing additional to add to the report and asked Council to consider the following motions:

M-11 *Mr. Egger made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report for December 2019; second by Mr. Behers. Upon vote, motion passed.*

M-12 *Mr. Egger made a motion to Ratify Bills in the Amount of \$1,236,818.39 and approve bills in the amount of \$197,963.90 for a total of \$1,434,782.29; second by Mrs. Maiden. Upon vote, motion passed.*

Mrs. Conley asked if there were any questions. None were asked.

PUBLIC WORKS

Mrs. Boyer gave her report at the last meeting of the current activities for Public Works listed on the monthly report provided to Council last week.

Mrs. Conley asked if there were any questions for Mrs. Boyer. None were asked.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Mrs. Maiden provided her report with the items listed on the Blanket Approval list for January 2020. She asked for the following motion:

M-13 *Mrs. Maiden made a motion to approve the Blanket Approval list for January 2020; second by Mr. Scott. Upon vote, motion passed.*

Mrs. Conley asked if there were any questions for Mrs. Maiden. None were asked.

ZONING & PLANNING

Mr. Egger provided the following updates to Council:

Planning Commission Meeting was held on January 13, 2020.

The Zoning Hearing Board Meeting will not be meeting in January.

The Monthly Inspection Report was provided to council:

Permits issued in December 2019: 114

2019 YTD issued: 866

2019 December Fees: \$12,251.58

2019 YTD fees collected: \$ 112,062.85

2018 December Fees: \$5,489.31

2018 YTD fees collected: \$140,231.75

Mrs. Conley asked if there were any questions for Mr. Egger. None were asked.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Mr. Behers read the following Activity Reports for BEMS and Volunteer Fire Departments for December 2019 with incidents and average response times:

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- BEMS had 255 calls with an average response time of 6.7 minutes
Year-end Report total of 3293 calls with an average response time of 7 minutes
- OPTION Fire had 39 incidents with an average response time of 6.1 minutes
- SBVFC had 18 incidents and an average response time of 8.8 minutes
- Baldwin #105 had 35 incidents with an average response time of 4.1 minutes

Mrs. Conley asked if anyone has any questions for Mr. Behers.

PERSONNEL

Mr. Scott had several items to report for tonight. He asked for the following motions:

M-14 *Mr. Scott made a motion to accept the resignation of Amy Bogaski from the Planning Commission; second by Mrs. Maiden. Upon vote, motion passed.*

Mr. Egger said she was very good on the Planning Commission and would hope everything is all well with her family.

M-15 *Mr. Scott made a motion to accept the resignation of Robert Collet from the Civil Service Commission; second by Mrs. Maiden. Upon vote, motion passed.*

Mrs. Conley said she is sorry to see him leave the Civil Service Commission as he had a lot to offer on this commission.

Mr. Scott said the next two motions are for extensions of the contracts for the Chief of Police and the Borough Manager.

M-16 *Mr. Scott made a motion to approve a 2-year contract with the current Chief of Police that will expire on January 18, 2022; second by Mrs. Boyer. Upon vote, motion passed.*

M-17 *Mr. Scott made a motion to approve a 2-year contract with the current Borough Manager that will expire on January 18, 2022; second by Mr. Behers. Upon vote, motion passed.*

Mr. Scott made a comment about the Council Re-Organization Meeting on January 6, 2020 and an article by the Tribune Review regarding the appointment of the Borough's Solicitor and again expressed his displeasure with how the process for this appointment was conducted by the other Council members.

Mrs. Conley asked if there were any questions for Mr. Scott. None were asked.

NEW BUSINESS

There were no items.

AUDIENCE AGENDA – Any issue pertaining to Borough Business: 5 MINUTES PER SPEAKER OR GROUP

There were no items.

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M-18 *Mr. Egger made the motion to adjourn; second by Mr. Behers. Upon vote, motion passed.*

Respectively submitted,

BOROUGH OF BALDWIN

Robert T. Firek
Borough Manager