MINUTES

**FOX CHAPEL BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 16, 2019**

PRESENT: Andrew C. Bennett, President; Thomas A. Karet, Harrison S. Lauer, Frederick C. Leech, James M. Royston, Jay S. Troutman, Councilmembers; A. Bruce Bowden, Solicitor; Gary J. Koehler, Borough Manager; Joy A. Hardt, Treasurer; Jeanine A. Mancuso, Asst. Treasurer; David M. Laux, Police Chief; Dana A. Abate, Borough Secretary.

ABSENT: Walter A. Scott, III, Mayor; Ann R. Meyer, Councilmember.

Mr. Bennett called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

MINUTES

It was duly moved and seconded that the minutes of the August 19, 2019 meeting be approved as submitted. The motion was unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Park Commission Appointments

It was moved by Mr. Troutman that Michael Schiller, Carey Casey Leemhuis and Jessica DeMoise be appointed to the Park Commission replacing Nancy Fales and Dottie Nielson who have resigned from the Park Commission, said motion also includes accepting the resignations of Nancy Fales and Dottie Nielson. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote. Borough Council thanked Nancy and Dottie for their many years of dedicated service overseeing the Borough’s parks.

SALE OF EQUIPMENT

Sea Snake Sanitary Sewer Camera

It was moved by Mr. Lauer that the sale of the Sea Snake Sewer Camera to Tim Fouse for the price of $2,250 be approved. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

The following applications were reviewed by the EAC at its September 9, 2019 meeting:

Tree Removal Request 19-127: Pittsburgh Field Club

121 Field Club Road

Request to Remove 7 Trees over 6” DBH

Tree Removal Request 19-129: Steve Hellberg

109 Buckingham Road

Request to Remove 21 Trees over 6” DBH

Concerning Tree Removal TR19-127, Mr. Troutman reported that there appear to be discrepancies regarding past tree removal approvals for the Pittsburgh Field Club and replacement plantings. He stated that this matter requires further review and discussion with Borough staff.

It was moved by Mr. Troutman that Tree Removal Application Nos. 19-127 & 19-129 be approved subject to any conditions imposed by the EAC. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

ENGINEER’S REPORT

Army Corp of Engineers – Storm Water Planning Study

Mr. Koehler reported that he attended the kickoff meeting this morning with the Army Corp of Engineers for the Flood Risk and Storm Water Management Planning Study for the Squaw Run Watershed. This is a joint study with O’Hara Township. The goal of the study is to provide the technical tools needed to make informed flood risk management decisions. This study is fully-funded via a grant from the Federal government. He indicated that the study should be completed next August.

Consent Decree

Mr. Koehler indicated that he will be attending a meeting with ALCOSAN this Thursday evening to discuss the modified Consent Decree. The Borough Engineer will review the modified Consent Decree and submit a summarized report to the Borough.

FINANCIAL

Mrs. Hardt reviewed the additions to the financial statements regarding the recent Bond Issue and where the information can be found. She also reviewed the 2020 MMO’s.

Payment of Bills

It was moved by Mr. Troutman that the payment of bills for August 2019 (General Fund Vouchers 25062-25175, $1,614,845.84; ARM Vouchers 1001-1006, $76,528.36) be ratified for payment. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

MMOs

It was moved by Mr. Karet that the 2020 MMOs for the Police Pension Plan ($0), the Non-Uniformed Defined-Benefit Plan ($148,212) and Non-Uniformed Defined Contribution Plan ($12,058) be approved. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

OTHER

Mr. Troutman reported to Council that the Park Commission has instructed the Police Department to issue citations instead of warnings for permit parking violators.

At 6:45 PM, Council adjourned to Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. At 7:17 PM, the regular meeting reconvened.

There being no other business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:17 PM.

DANA A. ABATE

Borough Secretary