



**FOX CHAPEL**  
BOROUGH

**MINUTES**  
**FOX CHAPEL BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING HELD MARCH 20, 2023**

**PRESENT:** Andrew C. Bennett, Council President; Harrison S. Lauer, Bradley D. Harrison, Sarah Hanna, Elizabeth Monroe, Councilmembers; Walter A. Scott, III, Mayor; Gary J. Koehler, Borough Manager; Michael Stevens, Police Chief; Larry Kurpakus, Public Works Director; Shawn M. Peterson, Borough Secretary

**ALSO PRESENT:** Logan Dressman, Bree Murphy, Junior Council Members; Jason Stanton, Borough Engineer; Austin Henry, EAC Chairperson; Michael Pohl, Fox Chapel Volunteer Fire Department;

**VIA ZOOM:** Thomas Karet, Frederick C. Leech, Councilmembers; A. Bruce Bowden, Solicitor; Wesley Posvar, Park Commission Chairperson; one other attendee

**ABSENT:** Jeanine A. Mancuso, Treasurer

Mr. Bennett called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM

**MINUTES**

Ms. Monroe moved that the February 20, 2023, meeting minutes be approved. The motion was seconded by Mr. Harrison and passed by a unanimous vote.

**RESIDENT COMMENTS**

None

**ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Mr. Lauer moved to approve Environmental Disturbance Application 23-04, 123 Pasadena Drive South, construction of a single-family dwelling, with the granting of a waiver of the requirement for a geotechnical report and a waiver on the limitation of 15% for the disturbance of very steep slopes with low risk, permitting disturbance of up to 20.07%. The motion also included the recommendation of a revised replanting plan to be submitted in the future, considering the suggestions made by the EAC. The motion was seconded by Ms. Monroe and passed by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Karet moved to approve Tree Removal Request TR-21-171, 400 Fairview Road, as submitted, contingent upon replacing the Norway Spruce or adding six hardwoods to the proposed replanting plan. The motion was seconded by Mr. Leech and passed unanimously.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Chief Stevens stated the Police Department would complete its last day of accepting applications for the position of Patrol Officer on March 21, 2023. The next steps in the hiring process are the physical and written tests which will be given on April 4, 2023, then oral interviews and background checks.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Mr. Koehler stated that Steve Paxton, Architect, has begun drawings for Fire Station No. 2 on Dorseyville Road. The work will include gutters, a roof, expansion to allow for longer trucks, bathroom updates, the addition of an office, and raising the door to allow for bigger trucks.

He also said Mr. Paxton and structural engineers are working on drawings for Station No. 1, Borough Building. Now that Public Works has moved out of the Borough Building garages and into their new facility, the garages below the Borough Building will allow for more

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space for an office and possible weight room for the Police and Fire Departments. The plans will be provided to the Volunteer Fire Department for their review.

### ENGINEER REPORT

Jason Stanton, Borough Engineer from LSSE, provided an update on the Phase 2 Consent Order Agreement, Sanitary Sewer O/M Strategic Planning, and A7802 H&H Model/Alternatives Analysis – Hardie Valley Park.

Mr. Bennett thanked Mr. Stanton for his summary, which helped explain the two contracts Council was voting on.

#### OBIC Liner System

Mr. Lauer moved to award a contract to Advanced Rehabilitation Technology for lining twenty manholes of approximately 160 feet with OBIC Liner System via CoStars Contract No. 380975 for \$42,400. The motion was seconded by Mr. Karet and passed by a unanimous vote.

#### Service Order Authorization (SOA) – Sanitary Sewer System – A7802 Sycamore Run H&H Model & Alternatives Analysis Update

Ms. Monroe moved to authorize the SOA for LSSE to proceed with the engineering services related to the A7802 sewershed at the cost of \$32,600. The motion was seconded by Mr. Leech and passed unanimously.

### TREASURER REPORT

Mr. Bennett stated the Borough had received two Local Share Account grants with the help of State Representative and former Councilperson Mandy Steele. The Borough will receive \$474,170 to improve stormwater management at Hardie Valley Park, including constructing natural stream crossings, green stormwater infrastructure, culvert installation, and natural hydrology corridors. The Borough will also receive \$51,500 for installing solar panels on the Public Works garage facility to reduce energy costs.

On behalf of Council, Mr. Bennett thanked the Borough staff and Ms. Steele for their hard work obtaining the grants.

#### Ratification of Payments – February 2023

Mr. Leech moved that the payment of bills for February 2023 (General Fund Vouchers 3528 – 3595, \$203,277.99) be ratified. Mr. Lauer seconded the motion. The motion passed with Mr. Leech abstaining from the LeechTichman invoices due to a potential conflict of interest.

### CONTRACT AWARDS

#### Roadway Aggregates – AASHTO No. 57 River Gravel, No. 8 Pea Gravel, Fine Mason Sand, and Fill Sand

Mr. Karet moved to award the Roadway Aggregates contract to Glacial Sand & Gravel Co. as the low bidder and McClymonds Supply & Transit Co., Inc. as the second lowest bidder (to be used if and when Glacial is unable to meet the Borough's requirements). The motion was seconded by Ms. Monroe and passed by a unanimous vote.

Company	Material	Price/Ton
McClymonds Supply & Transit Co., Inc.	AASHTO No. 57 River Gravel	\$29.85
Currie Road, Box 296	No. 8 Pea Gravel	\$26.85
Portersville, PA 16051	Fine Mason Sand	\$26.35
	Fill Sand	\$24.60
Glacial Sand & Gravel Co.	AASHTO No. 57 River Gravel	\$27.00
P.O. Box 1022	No. 8 Pea Gravel	\$25.00
Kittanning, PA 16201	Fine Mason Sand	\$25.00
	Fill Sand	\$23.00

Contract No. 23-R03 Road Maintenance – Crack Sealing

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Mr. Lauer moved to award the base bid and Add Alternate No. 1 of Contract No. 23-R03 Road Maintenance – Crack Sealing to Matcon Diamond, Inc., as the low bidder for \$49,400. The motion was seconded by Mr. Karet and passed unanimously.

### Dinkmar Standard 9' Leaf Box (Three Boxes)

Ms. Monroe moved to award the contract for three Dinkmar Standard 9' Leaf Boxes via CoStars Contract No. 025-E22-441 to U.S. Municipal for \$33,201. The motion was seconded by Ms. Hanna and passed by a unanimous vote.

## SALE OF EQUIPMENT

### Municipibid – 30' X 60' Steel Storage Building

Ms. Monroe moved to award the building sale to the high-bidder, Cody Cooper, at \$1,450, whose bid includes disassembly and removal of the building. The motion was seconded by Ms. Hanna and passed unanimously.

### Municipibid – 2012 International 7500 4 X 2

Ms. Monroe moved to award the sale of the 2012 International 7500 4 X 2 to the high bidder, Aaron Moats, at \$33,200. The motion was seconded by Mr. Lauer and passed by a unanimous vote.

### Municipibid – Sefac Model 1200 M68 Truck Lift

Ms. Monroe moved to award the sale of the Sefac Model 1200 M68 Truck Lift to the high bidder, Rob Wallace, at \$10,300. The motion was seconded by Ms. Hanna and passed by a unanimous vote.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### Renaming a Portion of Woodland Farms Road to Woodland Farms Court

Council agreed to defer this item on the agenda to April 17, 2023, Council meeting as Chief Stevens and Eva Malecki, 75 Woodland Farms Road, continue to work on solutions for dispatching first responders.

Chief Stevens updated Borough Council regarding his and Ms. Malecki's progress.

## NEW BUSINESS

### Ordinance No. 723

Mr. Lauer moved to enact Ordinance No. 723, amending, modifying, and changing the Borough of Fox Chapel Code by replacing all references containing a nationally recognized slur with their present terms. Ms. Hanna seconded the motion.

After a discussion, Mr. Lauer modified his motion to suggest three name references be changed to include parentheticals with the volume or book number for the two plans and the company number for the Watershed Association. The modified motion also included changing S. Run to Sycamore Run with the wording, 'source document may be under a different name.' The modified motion was seconded by Ms. Hanna and passed by a unanimous vote.

There being no other business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:32 PM.

SHAWN MARIE PETERSON  
Borough Secretary