

**IVYLAND BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING**

*June 13, 2018*

**SWEARING IN OF NEW MEMBER OF THE IVYLAND FIRE COMPANY:**

Mayor Judice administered the Oath of Office to Howard Rabinovitch new member of the Ivyland Fire Company before Ivyland Borough Council on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June 2018.

**CALL TO ORDER:** 7:39 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Council Members: President Sal DiPaolo,  
Vice President Bill Linwood, Albert DeGideo, Elaine Butkus, Christina Finello

**ABSENT:** Council Members: Vince Mancinelli, Chuck Bristow

**OTHERS:** Tony Judice, Mayor  
Geoffrey Attanasio, Engineer with Boucher & James (filling in for Mark Eisold)  
Janet Pacchioli, Treasurer/Secretary

**ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

**THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS FOLLOWED BY A MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**MINUTES OF 5/9/18:**

Bill Linwood made a MOTION, seconded by Elaine Butkus to approve the minutes of the May 9, 2018 Council meeting as submitted.

MOTION was ADOPTED 5-0.

**TREASURER’S REPORT:**

Janet Pacchioli read the Treasurer’s report to Council. The report was accepted subject to audit.

**BILLS LIST:**

Janet Pacchioli reported that the prepaid bills list totaled \$62,391.32 and the unpaid bills list totaled \$7,366.65, and yearly payment for the police car was paid this month.

Christina Finello made a MOTION, seconded by Bill Linwood to pay the bills.

MOTION was ADOPTED 5-0.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Janet Pacchioli read a “thank you” note from Dorothy Petrun, mother of Officer Paul Petrun, who was sick in the hospital for the flowers sent to her on behalf of Borough Council.

Also, “thank you” notes were sent from reps of the SPCA and Ben Wilson Senior Activity Center for donations sent on behalf of Borough Council.

An official letter was sent to the Borough Office in regards to the Greeley Avenue storm sewer improvement project that was not selected for funding from Statewide Transportation Set-Aside Grant Program.

The Bucks County Planning Commission sent a copy of the Bucks County Municipal Waste Management 2018 Final Plan Ratification for review and acceptance of Borough Council by August 21, 2018 that will need to be done by resolution.

U.S. Geological Survey:

Lisa Senior of the U.S. Geological Survey said we are a Federal agency that provides technical support for the U.S. Navy in their investigations of brown water and surface water related to the firefighting chemical compound. Part of that support to the Navy is that we are looking for existing wells that are no longer used and Warminster Municipal Authority has a number of those wells, one of them located at the Fire Dam in Ivyland Borough.

We are requesting permission to have a well driller take off the cap and run a video camera down to assess its condition, and if the condition is satisfactory for further testing, we would like to do further testing in that well. Once the testing is completed, results will be shared with the Borough and then determine whether to seal it or possibly reconstruct it to be a monitoring well.

Sal DiPaolo questioned whether the Borough would be responsible for recapping the well if permission is granted for access.

Ms. Senior replied we are responsible for replacing the cap. There is also small brush in the area near the well that would need to be removed for access.

Sal DiPaolo said that is a natural area and whatever pathway is disturbed will need to be put back exactly as it was found. A resolution by Council would need to be adopted for the U.S. Geological Survey to access the well.

Albert DeGideo suggested that Borough staff send a letter from U.S. Geological Survey to adjacent residents informing them about this matter.

Albert DeGideo made a MOTION, seconded by Bill Linwood to adopt Resolution 2018-5 granting permission to the U.S. Geological Survey to open/access the well at the Fire Dam Park and run a video camera down to assess its condition and that any disturbance of the natural area and pathway to the well will be put back exactly as it was found.

MOTION was ADOPTED 5-0.

**INNOVATIVE IT CONCEPTS PRESENTATION:**

Stewart Garzarelli, CEO of Innovative IT Concepts gave a presentation on their services and answered all questions to the satisfaction of Borough Council.

Albert DeGideo made a MOTION, seconded by Christina Finello to approve entering into contract with Innovative IT Concepts of approximately \$9,900.00 a year and contract for 2018 will be prorated.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4-0-1. Bill Linwood abstained.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Stuart Folkman, 64 Valentine Road, said in regards to the written contract of Innovative IT Concepts; he expressed concern about a verbal statement they made that there would be no fee to cancel the contract.

Bryan Laurin, 1205 Pennsylvania Avenue, expressed concern about a bamboo issue that his neighbor has that has taken over his backyard and he provided photos to Borough Council.

**ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT:**

Bill Linwood made a MOTION, seconded by Christina Finello to approve the Zoning Officer's report for May 2018.

MOTION was ADOPTED 5-0.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT:**

Albert DeGideo made a MOTION, seconded by Bill Linwood to approve the Code Enforcement's report.

MOTION was ADOPTED 5-0.

**REPORT OF PRESIDENT:**

Sal DiPaolo reported that State Representative Bernie O'Neill was contacted about setting up a meeting with reps of PennDOT in regards to improving the quality of the intersections of Bristol Road and Jacksonville Road; Johnsville and Jacksonville Roads as well as Greeley Avenue and Jacksonville Road.

Also, in regards to homes previously occupied by the BCHG located on Jacksonville Road; it is possible that by September the Borough will take ownership of that property, and he requested that Boucher & James provide a concept of a park plan for that property for review by Council.

**ENGINEER:**

Geoffrey Attanasio said a revised quote was received from Bux-Mont Asphalt Paving Company that came in under \$8,000, and per authorization by Council we will inform Bux-Mont to proceed with repairs that include items from Vince Mancinelli's list.

Also, a review letter was prepared for property located at 86 Lincoln Avenue in regards to existing sidewalks in disrepair and street tree that was removed for installation of driveway that should be replaced per Borough ordinance.

**SOLICITOR:** No report.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Janet Pacchioli said she provided Council with a copy of revised proposal in the amount of \$10,699.00 from Scott Bostic Painting, who was present at the meeting, for painting of the Borough Office and noted that we are still waiting for reply from two other painting companies.

**MAYOR:**

Mayor Judice reported for May 2018; there were no physical arrests; 58 traffic citations were issued; five written warnings; four parking tickets and one reportable accident. Checks received from District Court were in the amount of \$786.95.

Also, he received a draft of Warminster Township's Comprehensive Plan update replacing their 2003 plan. Requirement of the MPC (Municipal Planning Code) is that a draft is to be sent to all neighboring municipalities and there is a 45-day comment period. The draft copy is also located on Warminster Township's website.

In addition, he had Mike Granieri remove all "Except for Local Delivery" signs and now the signs just say "No Trucks." Also, he requested approval by Council to order the weight limit signs and have them installed.

Consensus by Council was in favor for the weight limit signs to be ordered and installed.

Mayor Judice continued that the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission will be planning to launch a second round of regional street light procurement program and they are hosting an informational workshop on June 26<sup>th</sup> from 9-11 a.m. in Upper Dublin. Concept is to create a pool of municipalities to get more vying power to lower the cost of purchasing LED's for street lights.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**PARKS AND RECREATION:**

Sal DiPaolo reported that basketball nets have been ordered.

Janet Pacchioli announced that the old Seasons Hearth & Patio sign across from Tony's Place has been removed.

**FINANCE:**

Christina Finello said funds to pay for contract with Innovative IT Concepts and painting of Borough Office building will be taken from unreserved funds account.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:**

Bill Linwood announced that the Fire Company is making great strides with improved communication and it was a unanimous decision by the Public Safety Committee to approve going forward with purchase of new fire truck.

Albert DeGideo noted that we need to resubmit for a new cost of the fire truck.

**BORO PROPERTY:**

Elaine Butkus reported there was an issue with the former Dorothy Henry School building with clogged gutters and the contractor who cleaned it out submitted a contract for maintenance that she will review.

Sal DiPaolo requested that the contractor revise their quote to include the Borough Office building.

Janet Pacchioli said she noticed several drains along Pennsylvania Avenue that were impacted with mud, leaves and debris and she called Granieri who cleaned them out.

**STREETS/WALKS:**

Mayor Judice said he provided Council with a copy of a recycling flyer from Waste Management in which they will mail out to Borough residents, and with Council's approval, he will inform reps of Waste Management to proceed with the mailing.

Bill Linwood made a MOTION, seconded by Christina Finello to authorize Waste Management to proceed with mailing of the recycling flyer to Borough residents.

MOTION was ADOPTED 5-0.

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** None.

**FIRE COMPANY:**

James Cantore, President of the Ivyland Fire Company, thanked Council and the Mayor for approval of purchase of a new fire truck.

To-date, there were 37 calls, and the Fire Company participated in the Memorial Day Parade and held a Coin Toss last Saturday that was very successful and two company drills were conducted. Four new sets of gear have been purchased and we applied for a grant to be able to purchase four more sets of gear, and also with the help of Council, we were able to purchase seven new helmets for our Fire Police, and he especially thanked Bill Linwood. All new equipment has been received for the new fire truck and funds for purchase were from a grant.

One new member needs to be introduced to the Public Safety Committee and the Fire Company has a new Treasurer who was appointed on May 14<sup>th</sup>.

Upcoming events are the July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade and Fireworks detail in Southampton and a Runners Breakfast on August 18<sup>th</sup> from 8-11 a.m. Fire Prevention Night will be held on Monday, October 15<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 p.m. There will be another Coin Toss event held in November on Black Friday from 9-3 p.m. Breakfast with Santa will be held on December 9<sup>th</sup> from 8-12 p.m. and Santa will be touring Ivyland on December 15<sup>th</sup>.

Sal DiPaolo said Parks and Recreation Committee are planning the Borough-wide Yard Sale to be held on September 15<sup>th</sup>.

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:** No report.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Janet Pacchioli reminded everyone about the Concert in the Park with the Warminster Symphony playing on June 23<sup>rd</sup> at the park on Pennsylvania Avenue.

Sal DiPaolo announced the Ivyland History Awards were given out last week at William Tennent High School to Gavin Kowalski and Brynn McGowan.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 9:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Vile, Recording Secretary

Minutes approved by Borough Council \_\_\_\_\_, 2018