

IVYLAND BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

March 14, 2018

CALL TO ORDER: 7:31 p.m.

PRESENT: Council Members: President Sal DiPaolo,
Vice President Bill Linwood, Albert DeGideo, Vince Mancinelli, Elaine Butkus, Chuck Bristow, Christina Finello

OTHERS: Tony Judice, Mayor
Mark Eisold, Engineer
Greg Sturn, Solicitor
Janet Pacchioli, Treasurer/Secretary

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS FOLLOWED BY A MOMENT OF SILENCE TO HONOR THOSE WHO LOST THEIR LIVES IN PARKLAND, FLORIDA

MINUTES OF 2/14/18:

Christina Finello made a MOTION, seconded by Bill Linwood to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2018 Council Meeting as submitted.

MOTION was ADOPTED 6-0-1. Vince Mancinelli abstained due to absence.

TREASURER’S REPORT:

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

BILLS LIST:

Janet Pacchioli reported that prepaid bills list totaled \$29,831.80 and the unpaid bills list totaled \$14,598.88.

Bill Linwood made a MOTION, seconded by Vince Mancinelli to pay the bills.

MOTION was ADOPTED 7-0.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Janet Pacchioli said a letter has been sent to Borough officials from the County requesting permission for the spraying of mosquitoes to monitor and treat mosquitoes carrying West Nile Virus.

Vince Mancinelli asked for the County contact info as he wants to be sure spraying is also done around retention basins in the Village.

Janet Pacchioli replied she will provide contact info.

Also, a letter was received thanking Borough officials for their support of House Bill #1620 pertaining to cellular antennas.

A letter was sent to the Borough Office from a resident who is dissatisfied by the services of Waste Management Company. She forwarded that letter to Borough officials who held a meeting last Monday night with reps Waste Management Company.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT:

Zoning Officer's report was submitted to Council for review.

Janet Pacchioli said in regards to the issue of the sign posted at Tony's Place advertising Seasons Hearth & Patio for Fairless Hills; a letter was drafted by Solicitor Sturn that will be reviewed and signed by the Zoning Officer and then sent to officials of the railroad.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT:

Code Enforcement Officer's report was submitted to Council for review.

REPORT OF PRESIDENT:

Sal DiPaolo said there are a number of trees that fell down in the Borough due to recent storms, and he spoke with Code Enforcement Officer about giving residents time to get rid of those downed-trees.

ENGINEER:

Mark Eisold reported there is a meeting scheduled to be held in Senator Thompson's Office regarding the Greeley Avenue project in which he will be in attendance.

SOLICITOR:

Greg Sturn said he received engagement letter from George Schlossberg that includes the \$15,000.00 cap, and if scope of work changes, he will discuss it with Council prior to going beyond that amount.

Christina Finello asked to review engagement letter prior to the signing by Council President.

Greg Sturn continued that ordinance for “No Parking” area extension on Greeley Avenue from Bristol Road to Lincoln Avenue has been advertised and is ready for consideration by Council.

Council convened a Public Hearing at 7:45 p.m.

Sal DiPaolo asked for any comments from members of Council. There were none.

Sal DiPaolo asked for any public comments. There were none.

Council closed Public Hearing at 7:46 p.m.

Bill Linwood made a MOTION, seconded by Elaine Butkus to adopt Ordinance No. 2018-2 for “No Parking” area extension on Greeley Avenue from Bristol Road to Lincoln Avenue in Ivyland Borough, Ivyland, PA.

MOTION was ADOPTED 7-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Christina Finello asked has there been any follow-up on having a representative of Borough Council taking a dedicated seat on the Board of the Warminster Municipal Authority.

Greg Sturn replied he will look into it.

MAYOR:

Mayor Judice noted the following police report is for the month of January 2018; and there were 73 calls for service; no physical arrests; 55 traffic citations issued; 10 written warning; two parking tickets; and four non-reportable accidents. Check received from District Court was in the amount of \$948.78.

Also, he along with Sal DiPaolo and Bill Linwood met with reps of Waste Management Company to discuss recent complaints by Borough residents and they indicated there has been a lack of trucks in-service as well as their drivers being out sick with a virus. They also asked for Borough officials to send out a mailing to residents of Waste Management's updated trash/recycling rules and regulations.

Christina Finello said it seems as the onus is being put on the Borough as opposed to Waste Management and it should be their responsibility to inform their customers about updated trash/recycling rules and regulations.

Vince Mancinelli suggested that Waste Management send out the mailing to their customers.

Albert DeGideo suggested finding a new trash collection company.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PARKS AND RECREATION:

Sal DiPaolo reported that the Easter Egg Hunt will be held on March 31st at 1 p.m.

FINANCE:

Christina Finello reported that officials of the Fire Company attended our Finance meeting in regards to their financial plan for purchase of a new fire truck. Finance Committee will work on it further and then present a full and complete plan to Council at its meeting in April.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Bill Linwood reported that there are still ongoing issues with members of the Fire Company, so he will be meeting with officials to address it in the near future.

BOROUGH PROPERTY: None.

STREETS/WALKS:

Vince Mancinelli said in regards to PECO work on the curb cut; he spoke with the contractor and as soon as the weather warms up it will be paved.

Also, he has been in close contact with Mr. Granieri due to all of the recent storms, and please let him know about any complaints about snowplowing as well as any potholes on Borough streets.

PLANNING COMMISSION: None.

FIRE COMPANY:

Dave Sharp, Chief of the Ivyland Fire Company, reported that there were 25 calls YTD with good response time and a report of those calls was provided to Chairman of Public Safety Committee, Bill Linwood. Bylaws amendments were completed and there is a meeting next week with officers to review operating procedures and, after it is updated, it will be sent to members of the Fire Company as well as the Public Safety Committee. Also, we reviewed and updated our qualifications for officers as well as membership application and it was posted on the website. Training is ongoing.

Food gift certificates from Mission Barbeque Restaurant will be put in the Easter eggs for the children.

The “No Parking” sign has been moved from its original location and the situation has improved.

Albert DeGideo said in regards to the purchase of the new fire truck; the existing truck is used for everything other than fighting major fires, but it is at its life-expectancy and costing a lot of money for upkeep, so we decided to look into replacing it. Criteria for new truck will not require a CDL driver’s license and the new truck can be better used for medical calls as opposed to a 35-foot fire truck. Also, we don’t need the size of the tank and pump that the existing truck has and we want four people to be able to be seated inside the new vehicle. Funds from a 15-year loan would be used to purchase the new truck and we will not need to raise taxes.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

Albert DeGideo reported we are still on track for online training.

NEW BUSINESS:

Sal DiPaolo said he received a quote from Granieri in regards to White Pine Trees.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Stuart Folkman, 64 Valentine Road, commented that he knows where the cap is for the waterhole.

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ADJOURNMENT: 8:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Vile, Recording Secretary

Minutes approved by Borough Council _____, 2018