

WILSON BOROUGH
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY
PENNSYLVANIA
NOVEMBER 14, 2011

The First Meeting of the Council of The Borough of Wilson was held in the Guy B. Tomaino Public Safety Building at 2040 Hay Terrace, Easton, PA. President Feinberg called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call followed.

PRESENT:

Leonard Feinberg
David Jones
Russ Lipari

Edwinna Howey
Joan Lilly-Kemmerer
James McGowan

ABSENT:

Bob Reiss, Louis Starniri, David Willliams

Also present were: Mayor David S. Perruso, Attorney Louis S. Minotti, Jr., Superintendent Greg Drake, Chief Steven Parkansky, Code Officer Paul R. Corriere

READING OF THE MINUTES:

The Minutes of the October 24, 2011 Council Meeting were approved by Mr. McGowan. Second by Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer.

PRESENTATION OF MATTERS BY PERSONS PRESENT:

None

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS:

1. A letter was received from Easton Area High School Vietnam War Memorial Fund thanking the Police Department especially Officer Fred Lavosky for a special salute and escort.

COMMUNICATIONS BY THE MAYOR:

1. Mayor Perruso informed Council that Chick Nolasco has passed away today. The viewing will be held on Wednesday, November 16, 2011 and the funeral will be held on Thursday, November 17, 2011.
2. Chief Parkansky requested permission to hire Steve Lindstedt as a part-time Police Officer pending a favorable background check. Mr. Lindstedt spent 30 years as an officer in the Easton Police Department. Motion to hire Mr. Lindstedt as a part-time Police Officer pending a favorable background check by Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer. Second by Mr. Lipari.

COMMUNICATIONS BY THE BOROUGH MANAGER:

1. Ms. Lohrman requested permission to close the Borough office on Black Friday, November 25, 2011 as had been done in the past. Employees will use their floating holiday as compensation. Motion to close the office on Black Friday by Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer. Second by Mr. McGowan.
2. Ms. Lohrman has received a Supplemental Federal-Aid Reimbursement #050007F Agreement for the 24th Street Bridge Project. Motion to execute the agreement by Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer. Second by Mr. McGowan.
3. Ms. Lohrman has received information from Beyer-Barber Company inquiring if Council would like to perform an actuarial study concerning issuing COLA's to Richard Nace and David Rogers. The Social Security Administration has published the Cost of Living Adjustment effective January 1, 2012 to be 3.6%. Costs of the study could come out of the pension plan. Motion to authorize the study by Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer. Second by Mr. Jones. The findings of the study will be brought back to Council so they can make an informed decision as to whether or not to offer the COLA.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

None

FIRE:

None

POLICE:

None

PUBLIC WORKS:

1. Mr. Drake informed Council that UGI would be fixing the trenches on S. 24th Street on Thursday or Friday of this week. If the bridge is open by that time, only one lane of the street will be open.

PARKS AND RECREATION:

None

ATTORNEY:

1. Mr. Minotti has prepared a draft ordinance for the revision of the Police Pension ordinance concerning the Act 600 Killed-In-Service benefit. Act 51 repealed the benefit. The Commonwealth is now responsible to provide the benefit. It was never a contractual benefit and does not need to be negotiated. Motion by Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer to advertise the Ordinance for enactment at the November 28, 2011 Council Meeting. Second by Mr. Jones.

2. Mr. Minotti has received two dates for the Assise hearing. The dates are January 9, 2012 and January 23, 2012. Mr. Minotti is unable to attend on January 9, 2012. The hearing is tentatively scheduled on January 23, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. and will be private.

MECAB:

None

COG:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

None

DEFERRED BUSINESS:

1. Mr. Feinberg set the next Budget meeting to be Monday, November 28, 2011 at 5:30 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

ORDINANCES

None

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Resolution 1183 – Naming Individuals Who Are Authorized to Sign the Supplemental Feder-Aid Reimbursement Agreement #050007D. Motion to pass Resolution No. 1183 by Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer. Second by Mr. McGowan.

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS:

Bills of \$222,735.10 were paid on a Motion by Mr. Jones. Second by Mr. Lipari.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer made a Motion to adjourn at 7:28 p.m. Second by Mr. Lipari and Council concurred.

Transcribed from a tape.

KAREN A.LOHRMAN, BOROUGH SECRETARY