

WILSON BOROUGH  
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY  
PENNSYLVANIA  
FEBRUARY 11, 2013

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  
David Williams

Winnie Howey  
Joan Lilly-Kemmerer  
James McGowan  
Ryan Woodring

ABSENT:

Louis Starniri

Also present were: Mayor David S. Perruso, Solicitor Louis S. Minotti, Jr., Chief Steven Parkansky, Director of Public Works Greg Drake, Code Enforcement Officer Paul Corriere

READING OF THE MINUTES:

The Minutes of the January 28, 2013 Council Meeting was approved on a Motion by Mr. McGowan with one addition. Mr. McGowan would like the Minutes under New Business to read that Council voted not to negotiate for Police services with West Easton unanimously. Ms. Lohrman responded that if it had not been a unanimous vote, there would have been a Roll Call. Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer and Mr. Feinberg pointed out other places in the Minutes that it was not written out unanimously, but there were no Negative votes. Second by Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer.

PRESENTATION OF MATTERS BY RESIDENTS AND TAXPAYERS:

None

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS:

1. A letter was received from Richard Wamsley submitting his resignation from the Zoning Hearing Board.
2. A letter was received from Joseph Sipel submitting his resignation from the Zoning Hearing Board.

A Motion was made by Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer to accept the resignations of Mr. Wamsley and Mr. Sipel from the Zoning Hearing Board.

3. An email was received from Jamie Rzeszowski requesting a link on the Borough's website to Meals on Wheels NC. Ms. Rzeszowski would like the Borough's residents to know what services her organization offers and what is available to them. Motion by Mr. Woodring to approve request. Second by Mr. Lipari.

COMMUNICATIONS BY THE MAYOR:

1. Mayor Perruso thanked the Public Works Department for the great job they did on the roads this past weekend.
2. Mayor Perruso acknowledged that the Borough would be using the funds put in the budget for prisoner transport as the Borough will be bringing a suspect back who is wanted for the murder committed on Hillside Avenue.

COMMUNICATIONS BY THE BOROUGH MANAGER:

1. Ms. Lohrman has received the information packet for the Annual PSAB Conference from May 5, 2013 to May 8, 2013 at the Hershey Lodge. Mr. McGowan would like to attend the conference. Ms. Lohrman will make his reservations.
2. Ms. Lohrman and Mr. Feinberg had met with a gentleman from National Utility Refund. The company performs an audit of utility bills and make sure that client is not paying for services they have not receiving or paying too much for the service. There is no upfront fee and any savings received would be split between the client and National Utility Refund. Ms. Lohrman shared the information and agreement with Mr. Minotti and he felt it would be advantageous. Mr. Feinberg also thought it also was a good idea and the audit company would even contact the utility companies on the Borough's behalf. The

Borough could do the audit prior to signing the agreement with First Energy. Motion to perform the audit by Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer. Second by Mr. Woodring.

3. Ms. Lohrman informed Council that the Borough had a certificate of deposit maturing on March 5, 2013 at Merchants Bank. The certificate was originally for a term of 12 months. Ms. Lohrman will provide Council rates from local institutions at the next Council meeting.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

##### GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

None

##### FIRE:

None

##### POLICE:

None

##### PUBLIC WORKS:

1. Mr. Jones informed Council that the engineer had completed the drawings for the refreshment stand at Fisk Field. The ductwork needs to be replaced and the vent needs to be larger. Mr. Jones questioned whether the project had to go out for bid. The equipment has already been purchased. The Borough's HVAC company is Che Mechanical. They may be able to give up a base price to see if the project has to go out for bid. The Public Works Department may not be able to perform the work.

2. Mr. Drake had been working with the Police Department on removing vehicles during the snow emergency. People are continuing to through snow into the streets. Chief Parkansky will be addressing the issue in the next few days.

##### PARKS AND RECREATION:

None

##### ATTORNEY:

1. Mr. Minotti is not ready to report on the use of field agreement with the school district. In the prior agreement, the terms could be changed if the fields were needed for education. It is not in the new agreement. Mr. Minotti would like to get that back into the agreement. When Mr. Wagner had met with Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer and Ms. Lohrman, he did not mention that that portion of the agreement had changed. Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer would like to review the new agreement again. Mr. Minotti will be contacting Attorney Spry for a clarification on the terms.

##### MECAB:

None

##### COG:

None

##### OLD BUSINESS:

None

##### DEFERRED BUSINESS:

1. Mr. Feinberg made a Motion to appoint Janie Galitzeck as an Alternate to the Zoning Hearing Board. Ms. Lohrman was requested to advertise for another alternate for the Board. Second by Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer.

##### NEW BUSINESS:

1. Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer informed Council that the Rec Board had received a check for slightly over \$10,000.00 that had been taken from them. Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer thanked the Police Department for their assistance in getting the money back.

2. Mr. Jones stated at first glance Mr. Feinberg's proposal concerning rental conversions was a good

idea. Mr. Minotti responded that there isn't state program and he is not sure that the proposal was legal. Mr. McGowan inquired as to who was going to make up the difference in lost revenue. Mr. Feinberg responded that it would not cost the Borough a lot of money. Mr. Minotti will look into the matter

ORDINANCES:

None

RESOLUTIONS:

None

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS:

Bills of \$123,765.35 were paid on a Motion by Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer. Second by Mr. Jones.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer made a Motion to adjourn at 7:25 p.m. Second by Mr. Williams and Council concurred.

Transcribed from a tape.

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KAREN A.LOHRMAN, BOROUGH SECRETARY