

WILSON BOROUGH  
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY  
PENNSYLVANIA  
MARCH 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	Winnie Howey
Joan Lilly-Kemmerer	Russ Lipari
James McGowan	Louis Starniri
David Williams	

ABSENT:

David Jones, Ryan Woodring

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

READING OF THE MINUTES:

The Minutes of the February 25, 2013 Council Meeting was approved on a Motion by Mr. McGowan. Second by Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer.

PRESENTATION OF MATTERS BY RESIDENTS AND TAXPAYERS:

1. Matt Chartrand, representing Patient First, appeared before Council in order to update them on the project developments since December, 2012. He is in the process of completing all reviews needed for the project. Northampton County Conservation District has given a permit for the project. The Borough Engineer only has a few items that need to be rectified. Mr. Chartrand hopes to obtain the permit from PennDot within the next few weeks. Mr. Chartrand highlighted a few changes in the plan: there will no longer be retaining walls on the property, underground stormwater basins have been approved, the alley has been widened to 24 feet, trash pickup will be in the alley, and there will be sidewalks on the northern and western sides of the property. Mr. Chartrand is seeking final Council approval for the project. He would like to submit and record the plans shortly. Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer inquired about the snow plowing in the lot. Mr. Chartrand replied that there would be a 10 foot area of grass around most of the property. The distance should be enough to keep the snow off the sidewalks. If needed, ambulances would go out of the ADA area. There will be no left turn going out on S. 25<sup>th</sup> Street. Patient traffic should be spread out over the day. The final plans will be recorded. Motion by Mr. Starniri to grant approval to the project as long as the Borough Engineers conditions were met. Second by Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer. Mr. Chartrand requested a letter from the Borough be written showing project approval. Mr. Minotti would like to review the letter prior to it being sent.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS:

1. A thank you letter was received from Fred Coleman for the support he has received on his scouting career.
2. A letter of resignation from the Zoning Hearing Board was received from Merle Grollman.
3. Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church requested permission to have their Greek Food Festival from May 31, 2013 to June 2, 2013 in Meuser Park. Permission was also requested to place a banner across Northampton Street advertising their event. Insurance paperwork will be provided. Motion by Mr. Starniri to grant permission to hold the event in Meuser Park provided that all requirements are met. Second by Mr. Williams.

COMMUNICATIONS BY THE MAYOR:

1. Mayor Perruso informed Council that Chief Parkansky was under the weather and unable to attend this evening's meeting.
2. Mayor Perruso stated that a robbery was in Square One Market.

COMMUNICATIONS BY THE BOROUGH MANAGER:

None

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

None

FIRE:

None

POLICE:

None

PUBLIC WORKS:

None

PARKS AND RECREATION:

None

ATTORNEY:

1. Mr. Minotti has received a revised version of the lease for four athletic fields with the Wilson Area School District. The new lease is essentially the same as it was before. Motion by Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer to execute the new lease. Second by Mr. Starniri.

2. Mr. Minotti has prepared the advertisement and the amended trench ordinance. Ms. Lohrman stated that the ad will be in the newspaper on Thursday, March 14, 2013. The amended ordinance will come before Council at the next Council meeting on March 25, 2013.

3. Mr. Minotti requested a Caucus on the Assise matter.

MECAB:

None

COG:

1. Mr. McGowan informed Council that a Northampton County COG meeting would be held on Tuesday, March 12, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. in Plainfield Township.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

DEFERRED BUSINESS:

1. Mr. Starniri made a Motion to accept the resignation of Merle Grollman from the Wilson Zoning Hearing Board. Second by Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer. Motion by Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer to move Janis Galitzek from an Alternate on the Zoning Hearing Board to a member of the Zoning Hearing Board. Second by Mr. Starniri.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Mr. Drake informed Council that the electronic recycling business had opened up on Freemansburg Ave. Mr. McGowan inquired as to why Council had not approved the business before it had moved in. Mr. Corriere replied that it was a permitted use in the zone.

2. Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer inquired whether Council would allow the Soccer Association to hold a spaghetti dinner in the community center in May. Motion by Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer. Second by Mr. Lipari. Affirmative votes were cast by: Mr. Feinberg, Ms. Howey, Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer, Mr. Lipari, Mr. Starniri and Mr. Williams. A Negative vote was cast by Mr. McGowan. Permission for use of the center was approved by a six to one vote. Mr. McGowan commented that the burners on the stove in the center are not automatic and hopes people using the appliance know how to properly use it.

ORDINANCES:

None

RESOLUTIONS:

None

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS:

Bills of \$55,105.20 were paid on a Motion by Mr. Starniri. Second by Mrs. Lilly-Kemmerer.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Feinberg made a Motion to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. Second by Mr. Starniri and Council concurred.

Transcribed from a tape.

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KAREN A.LOHRMAN, BOROUGH SECRETARY