

WILSON BOROUGH
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY
PENNSYLVANIA
AUGUST 25, 2014

The Second Meeting of August 2014 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	Russell Lipari
James McGowan	Louis Starniri
Pamela Taylor	David Jones
Matthew Larimer	

ABSENT:

None

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

READING OF THE MINUTES:

The Minutes of the August 11, 2014 Council Meeting were approved on a Motion by Mr. McGowan. Second by Ms. Lilly-Kemmerer. Council unanimously approved Minutes of the August 11, 2014 Council meeting.

PRESENTATION OF MATTERS BY RESIDENTS AND TAXPAYERS:

1. Daniel Redington, Director of the Mary Meuser Library was present to inform Council that the mold remediation project in the Children's department has been completed. The Children's Department is now open. Mr. Drake added that the contractor, Air Care and Restoration did an outstanding job. Mr. Redington will send a letter of thanks.
2. An Easton resident, Ms. Eagle spoke to praise a Borough Employee. Her thirteen year old grandson had been at Meuser Park and lost his cell phone. The family checked all around to find it. Jeff Lewert of the Public Works Department found the phone, charged it and contacted the owners to see that the phone was returned. Ms. Eagle asked that Council recognize Jeff as a good honest and caring employee.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS:

None

COMMUNICATIONS BY THE MAYOR:

1. Mayor Perruso asked Council to approve a handicap parking spot at 1542 Spring Garden Street. Motion by Ms. Lilly-Kemmerer to allow a handicap parking spot at 1542 Spring Garden Street. Second by Mr. Larimer. Council unanimously voted to allow a handicap parking spot at 1542 Spring Garden Street.
2. The Mayor asked Chief Parkansky how the new traffic pattern at the Wilson Elementary School went. Mr. Parkansky said it went well and although there was some confusion in the afternoon, it is much safer for the children.
3. Chief Parkansky noted there are currently three vacant crossing guard positions. Danielle Reese of 1532 Lehigh Street has applied for one and Mr. Parkansky asked Council to approve her hiring pending a criminal history check. Motion by Mr. Lipari to hire Ms. Reese as a crossing guard pending proper background checks. Second by Mr. Starniri. Council unanimously approved the hiring of Ms. Reese pending checks.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOROUGH MANAGER:

1. Ms. Garcia read a letter to Council from the Wilson Area High School/Mr. Wagner. WAHS asked permission to change Warrior Lane to one direction only from 2:30 to 3:00 pm on days school is in session. Chief Parkansky agreed this makes the area safer for the kids. Motion by Mr. Lipari to allow WAHS to change the traffic pattern for a half hour on days school is in session. Second by Mr. Starniri. Council unanimously approved changing Warrior Lane to one direction for ½ hour on school days. Ms. Garcia was asked to draft a letter giving the

school permission to make the change and also request that the school district employee assisting with traffic wear a safety vest.

2. Ms. Garcia read a letter from the owner of Stage Door Studio, Patricia Bartholomew. She requested that the borough make the north side of Washington Blvd. in the 1700 block angled parking. She has brought this request to council once before and it was denied. Chief Parkansky explained the dimensions necessary to legally change to angled parking. This block does not meet those requirements. The south side is grandfathered.
3. Ms. Garcia asked Council who would be attending the PSAB fall conference. Mayor Perruso and Mr. McGowan will be attending.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

None

POLICE:

1. Mr. Lipari expressed his concerns with kids on scooters skateboards bikes etc. They do not follow the road rules. He fears there will soon be a tragedy. Chief Parkansky said he will look into what can be done and advise his officers.

FIRE:

None

PUBLIC WORKS:

1. Mr. Drake told Council all 300 plus stop signs in the Borough have now been changed to the new high intensity reflective coating. All 4 ways have been changed to "all way".
2. The new contract with Penn Dot has been signed by Mr. Feinberg. The contract is the same as the last one, which pays \$23,000 to the Borough for 5 years to salt and plow.
3. Mr. Drake advised Council that the two summer help employees (Mr. Jones and Mr. Rodriguez) did a fantastic job and he would recommend them again.
4. Mr. Drake talked about the ongoing issues with the plans for the suppression system at Fisk Field. A letter was sent and lost. The plans have now been delivered to Arnie Cohen at Code Master and the process will continue.

PARKS AND RECREATION:

None

ATTORNEY:

None

COG:

None

MECAB:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Mr. Feinberg reported the annual Borough Yard Sale was once again successful with 70 plus families participating.
2. Three estimates (Che Mechanical, Tru Comfort and Dual Temp) were received to replace the broken air conditioning unit at Borough Hall. The current service contract is with Che Mechanical. A motion was made by Ms. Lilly-Kemmerer to allow Che Mechanical to replace the broken a/c unit. Second by Mr. Starniri. Council unanimously voted to have Che install new a/c unit.

DEFERRED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Chief Parkansky informed Council that Officer Migliore and his K9 Rex have been featured on a show on the American Heroes Channel. Easton and Palmer Police and K9s also participated.

RESOLUTIONS:

None

ORDINANCES:

None

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS:

Bills of \$97,414.94 were paid on a Motion by Ms. Lilly-Kemmerer. Second by Mr. Starniri. The bills were paid by a unanimous vote of Council.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Lipari made a Motion to adjourn at 7:39 p.m. Second by Mr. Starniri and Council concurred.

JILL A GARCIA, BOROUGH CLERK