

WILSON BOROUGH
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY
PENNSYLVANIA
December 8, 2014

The First Meeting of December 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
Joan Lilly-Kemmerer
James McGowan
Matthew Larimer

Winnie Howey
Russell Lipari
Pamela Taylor

ABSENT:

David Jones
Louis Starniri

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

Mayor Perusso was present to give the Oath of Office to Mr. Marc Crisafulli. Mr. Crisafulli was sworn in as the Borough's newest Sergeant. Mayor Perusso was both proud and honored to swear in Sergeant Crisafulli.

READING OF THE MINUTES:

The Minutes of the November 24, 2014 Council Meeting were approved on a Motion by Mr. McGowan. Second by Ms. Lilly-Kemmerer. Council unanimously approved the Minutes of the November 24, 2014 Council meeting.

GUEST:

None

PRESENTATION OF MATTERS BY RESIDENTS AND TAXPAYERS:

None

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS:

Ms. Garcia was prepared to read three applications for appointment to the Library Board. Council requested to table the letters until Mr. Redington provides them with a more detailed plan of how many seats will need to be filled and when.

Mr. Feinberg told Council he had a request from the Easton Corvette Club to use Meuser Park on August 9, 2015 for the "Vettes for Pets" car show. Motion by Mr. Lipari. Second by Mr. Larimer. Council unanimously approved the "Vettes for Pets" Car show on August 9, 2015.

Mr. Feinberg had a similar request from LV Region Antique Car Club. They would like to use Meuser Park for a car show on September 13, 2015. There will be 3 food vendors and 20 crafters. They are a non-profit group. Council unanimously approved use of Meuser Park by the Antique Car Club, on a motion by Ms. Lilly-Kemmerer. Second by Mr. Larimer.

Ms. Taylor asked for a moment of Council's time to explain her budget line item of \$4,000 for the shade tree commission. The cost is to cover an arborist to make a list of acceptable shade trees and ornamental trees. It will also cover the cost of looking at 20 trees and having one Borough owned tree removed. Mr. Feinberg explained that the Borough workers remove trees on Borough Property. He also advised Ms. Taylor to look into grant monies.

COMMUNICATIONS BY THE MAYOR:

None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOROUGH MANAGER:

Ms. Garcia asked Council for permission to advertise the 2015 Proposed Budget and Proposed Tax Rate. There was a discussion over the Borough Manager's salary for 2015. Council approved the advertisements upon a motion of Mr. Lipari. Seconded by Ms. Howey. Ms. Lilly-Kemmerer abstained from the vote.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

None

POLICE:

Chief Parkansky related the recent theft of a service dog in the Borough. The Borough officers did an outstanding job finding the dog and the thief. The dog was safely returned to the rightful owner.

Mr. Lipari asked about the home invasion on the 2400 block of Birch Street. Chief Parkansky confirmed there had been an incident and Mr. Lipari added that this confirms the need for a second detective.

The Chief also spoke about cameras in the police cars. He does not feel the cost of \$5,000 per car can be justified.

FIRE:

None

PUBLIC WORKS:

Mr. Drake said that Public Works is still doing leaves and the street sweeper will be out soon.

PARKS AND RECREATION:

None

ATTORNEY:

None

COG:

None

MECAB:

None

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS:

Bills of \$130, 253.97 were paid on a Motion by Ms. Lilly-Kemmerer. Second by Mr. Lipari. The bills were paid by a unanimous vote of Council.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

DEFERRED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

None

RESOLUTIONS:

None

ORDINANCES:

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Lipari made a Motion to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. Second by Mr. Larimer and Council concurred.

JILL A GARCIA
BOROUGH MANAGER/SECRETARY