

WILSON BOROUGH
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY
PENNSYLVANIA
August 10, 2015

The First Meeting of August 2015 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	Louis Starniri
James McGowan	Pamela Taylor
Matthew Larimer	David Jones
Russell Lipari	

ABSENT:

None

Also present were: Police Chief Steven Parkansky, Fire Chief Michael Collins, Director of Public Works Greg Drake, Solicitor Stanley Margle and Code Officer Paul Corriere.

READING OF THE MINUTES:

Motion by Mr. Starniri to approve the minutes from the July 27, 2015 Council meeting. Second by Ms. Lilly-Kemmerer. Council unanimously approved the minutes.

GUEST:

None

PRESENTATION OF MATTERS BY RESIDENTS AND TAXPAYERS:

Shelly Waltz of 1627 Ferry Street addressed Council about a bank owned property at 1634 Ferry Street. She requested the hedges be trimmed due to lack of visibility when driving down the road. Mr. Corriere told Ms. Waltz he will contact the bank and advise them to have someone come out and cut the hedges back.

Marci Sos of 1631 Ferry Street addressed Council about 1634 Ferry Street as well. Ms. Sos also had some concerns about cars parking too close to intersections or fire hydrants. Chief Parkansky explained that a vehicle must be 20 feet from a cross walk and 30 feet from a fire hydrant. If Ms. Sos sees a vehicle within those areas, she is to contact the Police non-emergency number. Ms. Sos also requested to have vehicles ticketed or towed in the winter if they park on the street, when the individual has a garage and/or parking pad. Solicitor Margle advised it is a public street and they can park wherever they like.

Mr. Richard Siebler of 1906 Butler Street addressed Council. Mr. Siebler was before Council at the last meeting to discuss the issue of a fence that had been torn down by his neighbor, Mr. Wayne Deluca at 1908 Butler Street. Mr. Siebler was advised by the Borough Solicitor, Stanley Margle, that this is a civil issue. If Mr. Siebler would like to put up a fence he must see Code Officer, Paul Corriere and file the proper permits.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS:

None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:

Mayor Perruso thanked Chief Collins and the Fire Department for their contribution to Jack Barr's funeral services.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOROUGH MANAGER:

None

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

None

POLICE:

Chief Parkansky advised Council he will be revisiting the pay scale for Crossing Guards at the next meeting.

FIRE:

Chief Collins stated Council needs to find an alternate for the Civil Service Board.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Council thanked Greg Drake for the cleanup done for National Night Out.
Councilman Louis Starniri thanked Mr. Drake for a job well done on the concrete steps at 18th and Butler.

Mr. Drake addressed Council in reference to the Community Center and the mess that was left after a party on August 8, 2015. He has pictures of damage in the bathrooms and kitchen as well as beer containers found. He would like to see the deposit raised to compensate for clean up. Solicitor Margle advised that the Borough may be able to charge residents for more than just the cleaning deposit. He will look at the contract and advise Council at the next meeting.

PARKS AND RECREATION:

None

ATTORNEY:

Stanley Margle introduced himself as the new solicitor for the Borough and thanked Council for selecting him.

COG:

None

MECAB:

None

CAUCUS:

Council held a brief Caucus on personnel matters.

DEFERRED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Ms. Lilly-Kemmerer would like to see guidelines put into place for block parties. The General Government Committee will be meeting to come up with guidelines for future block parties.

ORDINANCES:

None

RESOLUTIONS:

None

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS:

Bills of \$600,681.46 were paid on a Motion by Mr. Starniri. Second by Ms. Lilly-Kemmerer. The bills were paid by a unanimous vote of Council.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Starniri made a Motion to adjourn at 8:14 pm. Second by Ms. Lilly-Kemmerer and Council concurred.

STEPHANIE JONES
BOROUGH CLERK