

WILSON BOROUGH
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY
PENNSYLVANIA
December 28, 2015

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

ABSENT:

None

Also present were: Police Chief Steven Parkansky, Fire Chief Michael Collins, Solicitor Stanley Margle and Code Officer Paul Corriere.

READING OF THE MINUTES:

Motion by Ms. Lilly-Kemmerer to approve the minutes from the December 14, 2015 Budget meeting. Second by Mr. Lipari. Council unanimously approved the minutes.

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Mayor Perruso then swore in Mr. Adam Emsweller. He is the newest full time Wilson Borough Fire Fighter. Mr. Emsweller will begin on January 4, 2016.

Police Chief Parkansky requested Council to conditionally hire Mr. Nicholas Alexander as a part-time police officer pending background checks. Motion by Mr. Starniri to hire Mr. Alexander. Second by Ms. Lilly-Kemmerer and council concurred.

GUEST:

None

PRESENTATION OF MATTERS BY RESIDENTS AND TAXPAYERS:

None

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS:

Ms. Garcia read a letter from Timothy Manieri, Jr. of 1801 Hay Terrace. Mr. Manieri is a local general contractor. He expressed his interest in holding the open position on the Planning Commission. Motion by Mr. Starniri to appoint Mr. Manieri to the Wilson Borough Planning Commission. Second by Mr. Lipari. Council unanimously agreed.

Ms. Garcia read a letter from Mr. Thomas Schuyler, President of the Board of Trustees of Mary Meuser Memorial Library. He wrote to thank Mr. Drake and the Borough employees who replaced the dilapidated fire escape with a new one. He also added thanks to Mr. Corriere and Fire Chief Collins.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:

Mayor Perruso requested approval for handicapped parking spots at the following locations: 1506 Washington Street – Rita Richline, 2422 Alder Street – Jay Hoffman and 709 S. 23rd Street – Jessica King-Lyter. Motion by Mr. Starniri to approve the handicap spaces. Second by Ms. Taylor and Council concurred.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOROUGH MANAGER:

Ms. Garcia asked for Council's permission to sign the yearly service contract with CHE Mechanical covering the Borough's heating and cooling equipment. Cost will be \$2,200.00 for one year. Motion by Mr. Starniri to renew the contract with CHE. Second by Ms. Howey. Council unanimously agreed.

Ms. Garcia asked for a motion to pass the 2016 Budget. Motion by Mr. Lipari to pass the budget. Second by Ms. Howey. Yes votes cast by Mr. Feinberg, Mr. Starniri, Mr. McGowan, Mr. Jones, Mr. Lipari, Ms. Howey, Ms. Taylor and Mr. Larimer. No vote cast by Ms. Lilly-Kemmerer. The 2016 Budget passed by a vote of 8-1.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

None

POLICE:

Chief Parkansky requested permission to hire two new crossing guards pending successful clearance checks. Motion by Mr. Starniri to conditionally hire Lucia Perera and Theodore Sroka, Jr. Second by Ms. Lilly-Kemmerer. Council unanimously agreed.

Ms. Howey complimented Officers Deiter and Lahovsky as well as the Wilson Fire Department for a job well done regarding the transformer fire on Lehigh Street.

FIRE:

None

PUBLIC WORKS:

None

PARKS AND RECREATION:

Mr. Lipari advised Council that Mr. Marstellar will not be returning this summer to manage the Meuser Pool. Ms. Garcia will sit with Mr. Drake and draft an advertisement for a pool manager. Applications will be accepted until March 15, 2016. Motion by Mr. Lipari to advertise for a pool manager. Second by Mr. Starniri and Council concurred.

ATTORNEY:

None

COG:

None

MECAB:

Mr. McGowan said the next meeting will be held on January 27, 2016 at Coopersburg.

DEFERRED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

None

ORDINANCES:

None

RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Mr. Starniri to approve Resolution 1213 – Salaries, Wages, Sick Leave, Vacation and Holidays for 2016. Second by Mr. Howey. Yes votes cast by Mr. Feinberg, Mr. Starniri, Mr. McGowan, Mr. Jones, Mr. Lipari, Ms. Howey, Ms. Taylor and Mr. Larimer. No vote cast by Ms. Lilly-Kemmerer. The 2016 Salary Resolution passed by a vote of 8-1.

CAUCUS:

Council entered into a Caucus to discuss personnel matters.

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS:

Bills of \$120,475.29 were paid on a Motion by Mr. Lipari. Second by Mr. Starniri. The bills were paid by a unanimous vote of Council.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Starniri made a Motion to adjourn at 7:38 pm. Second by Mr. Lipari and Council concurred.

**JILL A. GARCIA
BOROUGH MANAGER**