

Regular Meeting  
February 13, 2017

The regular meeting of the West Newton Borough Council was held on Monday, February 13, 2017 in Council Chambers.

Council President George Molovich called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Councilmembers Tony Berarducci, George Molovich, Daniel Palfey, Connie Pollock, David Tamasy, Dave Tamasy and Arlene Tomich called present. Mayor Mary Popovich, Solicitor Sam Dalfonso, Chief Gary Indof and Public Works Supervisor Randy Shincovich were present.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Delegates:** Tom Simmons—Chevron—Mr. Simmons presented a proposal to Borough Council requesting permission to install a water line across Sewage Treatment Plant property. The purpose of the water line is to feed water to wells located in South Huntingdon Township from the Youghiogheny River eliminating the use of heavy trucks hauling the water on site. Discussion was held relative to property damage, environmental issues and the effects on the river. It was determined a public hearing would be scheduled on March 6, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. to give Chevron an opportunity to address the questions being posed and to receive public input.

**\*\*Let it be noted Councilwomen Connie Pollock and Arlene Tomich are opposed to this proposal.**

**Engineers Report:** Engineer Stanton reviewed the Engineers Report.

**Supervisors Report:** Supervisor Shincovich reported on present and upcoming projects.

**Solicitors Report:** Solicitor Dalfonso reported on current activities.

**Motion 02-01** was made by Councilman Tamasy Jr. to enter into an agreement with Community Champions for enforcement of the Vacant Registry Ordinance. Second by Tamasy Sr. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.

**Ordinance 2017-1-Fire Escrow Account Ordinance.**

**Motion 02-02** was made by Councilman Tamasy Jr. to consider Ordinance 2017-1-An Ordinance establishing a Fire Escrow Account. Second made by Palfey. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.

**Motion 02-03** was made by Councilman Tamasy Jr dispensing with the second and third reading. Second made by Tomich Motion adopted by unanimous vote.

**Motion 02-04** was made by Councilman Tamasy Jr. to enter an agreement with Building Inspection Underwriters for Code Enforcement. Second made by Pollock. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.

**Motion 02-05** was made by Councilman Berarducci to enter Executive Session for personnel matters at 7:14 p.m. Second by Tamasy Jr. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.

Council returned to session at 7:25 p.m.

**Mayors Report:** Mayor Popovich reported Police and Mayors Report.

**Zoning Report:** 5 Occupancy permits issued for January.

**Committee Reports:** No reports

Streets & Recreation

Public Safety

Finance & Properties

Sanitation

Sewage

Insurance

**Minutes:** Councilman Tamasy Jr. made **Motion 02-06** to approve the minutes as submitted. Second made by Tomich. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.

**Bills:** Councilwoman Tomich made **Motion 02-07** to approve the bills as submitted for payment with the exception of George's Auto Center and Nancy Molovich. Second made by Palfey. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.

**Bills:** Councilman Palfey made **Motion 02-08** to approve the payments made to George's Auto Center and Nancy Molovich as submitted. Second made by Tomich. Motion adopted by unanimous roll call vote with Pollock, Berarducci, Palfey, Tomich, Tamasy Jr. and Tamasy Sr voting yes and Molovich abstaining.

**Treasurers Report:** Councilman Tamasy Jr. made **Motion 02-09** to approve the Treasurers Report as submitted. Second made by Tomich. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.

**No Tax Collectors Report**

**Police & Mayors Report:** Councilman Tamasy Jr. made **Motion 02-10** to approve the Police & Mayors Report as submitted. Second made by Tomich. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.

**Communications:** Secretary Humenik reported the following: One resignation from the Pool Board Committee and two letters of interest, Borough placed on queue for LED streetlights in 2018 and WCBA inviting Borough Council to the annual banquet and requesting Borough place ad in program booklet for banquet.

**Motion 02-11** was made by Councilman Tamasy Jr. to accept the resignation of Steve Fitzgibbons from the Pool Board. Second made by Tamasy Sr. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.

**Motion 02-12** was made by Councilman Berarducci to appoint Lisa Tedrow to the Pool Board. Second made by Palfey. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.

**Motion 02-13** was made by Councilwoman Tomich to appoint Matt Moorhead to the Pool Board. Second made by Tamasy Jr. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.

**Motion 02-14** was made by Councilman Palfey to place an ad in the WCBA program booklet. Second made by Tamasy Jr. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.

**Motion 02-15** was made by Councilwoman Tomich to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. Second made by Tamasy Jr. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.

Pamela M. Humenik