

The Council of the Borough of Plum held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, March 11, 2019 at the Plum Borough Municipal Building, 4575 New Texas Road, Plum, PA 15239.

ROLL CALL: Present were council members: Paul Dern, Mike Doyle, Dave Majernik, Dave Odom and Mike Pastor. Mayor Schelgel was present. Council members John Anderson and David Seitz were absent.

Motion was made by Mr. Dern, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of February. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Odom, seconded by Mr. Dern, to approve the expenses for the month of February (see attached). Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Majernik, seconded by Mr. Dern, to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2019 Council Meeting. Unanimously approved.

RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE COMMUNITY – Mayor Schlegel recognized Allison Porter and Gage Adinolfi for achieving the status of PA State Champion in the PA State Soccer Skills Tournament.

Mayor Schlegel also recognized Wilbert Ferguson and Ruth Grant for volunteering to serve on various boards within the Borough. Mayor Schlegel reported that Mrs. Grant served for 30 years.

CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS – Laura Mason, President of Plum Community Library Board of Trustees, announced programs and events coming to the Library. Mrs. Mason stated that the Library's meeting room is available for rental.

James Sims of Holiday Park Volunteer Fire Department reminded residents to change batteries in smoke detectors. Mr. Sims asked residents to support their local fire department by attending their fish fry's. Mr. Sims announced a Fire Camp will be held in June to encourage young individuals between the ages of 14-17 to participate in fire services.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS - Mr. Doyle wished everyone a Happy St. Patrick's Day.

MANAGER'S REPORT – Mr. Thomas did not have a report.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS AGENDA ITEMS – None

COUNCIL ACTIONS:

Motion was made by Mr. Odom, seconded by Mr. Dern, to adopt Resolution No. 858-19, approving the acquisition of vacant property located at 124 Big Horn Road. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Odom, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to adopt Resolution No. 859-19, approving the acquisition of vacant property located at 228 Center New Texas Road. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Odom, seconded by Mr. Dern, to accept FSC-01-19, the Carey simple subdivision as complete. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Odom, seconded by Mr. Pastor, to deny SP-04-18, the Akrass land development application submitted March 12, 2018. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dern, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to accept the public relations proposal from Carrie Lewis DelRosso as presented to Council. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dern, seconded by Odom, to appoint the Cohen Law Group for wireless facilities consulting services as per the engagement letter. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Majernik, seconded by Mr. Pastor, to authorize the Borough staff to obtain preliminary design and budget information for a potential redesign of Fields 1, 7 & 8 at Plum Creek Park to include the installation of artificial turn. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Majernik, seconded by Mr. Dern, to approve the applicants on the notarized eligibility lists for the volunteer fire fighters Earned Income Tax credit for 2018. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Pastor, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to award the bid for the slide remediation project on Center-New Texas Road to the low bidder, A. Liberoni, at a cost of \$216,816.19 including alternative bids A and B. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Pastor, seconded by Mr. Dern, to award the bid for the 2019 road paving program to the low bidder, Youngblood Paving, at a cost of \$1,090,931.62. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Pastor, seconded by Mr. Odom, to approve the 2019 Plum Asset Sale and Purchase list and to authorize the advertisement for asset disposition as required by law. Unanimously approved.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Schlegel reported there were 988 calls for service last month; 170 traffic citations were issued, and 12 criminal offense charges were filed.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATIVE COMMITTEE WITH PLUM SCHOOL DISTRICT – Mr. Thomas said the Committee had not met.

FINANCE COMMITTEE – Mr. Majernik reported Maher Duessel, Borough Auditors, will forward a draft of the 2018 DCED Report at the end of March; the Borough has not drawn on the Tax Anticipation Note; Revenues for February were \$992,314 and expenditures were \$994,297.

ROADS, EQUIPMENT AND GROUNDS – Mr. Pastor reported the Center New Texas Road project will begin in March and may involve a temporary road closure; letters were sent to residents with basketball hoops in the rights-of-way and the cooperation has been poor; a small slide was repaired on Faulk Road; there were six callouts for winter road maintenance and three callouts due to the wind storm.

PUBLIC SAFETY – Mr. Dern asked residents to support the local fire departments by attending their fish fry's during the Lenten season.

Brian Maloney, Director of Operations of Plum EMS reported EMS responded to 219 calls for the month; their department participated in the Holiday Park Elementary Science Technology Health Fair. Mr. Maloney thanked Plum's Council for their support in obtaining 16 Automated External Defibrillators (AED) which are being distributed to the police department, parks and Plum Buildings.

PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Mr. Odom reported that 56 permits were issued resulting in a fee collection of \$21,300; the Borough is planning their 4th annual Clean-Up Day on April 27th; Peoples Gas held a meeting last week at the Borough Building for residents regarding the replacement of a gas line in Holiday Park and zoning amendments are being worked on involving changes to gas and oil drilling.

PARKS AND RECREATION – Mr. Majernik announced the Opening Day of Trout Youth Fishing Event will be Saturday, April 13 and is free to Borough residents. Residents must bring proof of residency. Mr. Majernik announced an Easter Extravaganza to be held Saturday, April 20 at Plum Creek Park. Mr. Majernik said the Event will include an egg hunt, children's games, bake sale and pictures with the Easter Bunny.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS NON-AGENDA ITEMS – None

Mr. Doyle announced the Planning Commission will meet on March 18, 2019.

Motion was made by Mr. Dern, seconded by Mr. Majernik to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m.
Unanimously approved.

Maria Gingery
Assistant Borough Secretary