

The Council of the Borough of Plum held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, November 10, 2014 at 7:00 pm at the Plum Borough Municipal Building, 4575 New Texas Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15239.

ROLL CALL: Present were Council members: John Anderson, Mike Dell, Mike Doyle, David Seitz, Leonard Szarmach, Steve Taylor and Dave Vento were present. Mayor Hrivnak was also present.

Motion was made by Mr. Szarmach, seconded by Mr. Vento, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of October. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Dell, to approve the following expenses for the month of October. Unanimously approved.

Monthly Recurring Payables	6,547.04
Payables Requiring Council Approval	253,061.57
Street Improvement Fund	258,689.37
Debt Payment	100,000.00
Fire Fund	29,183.59
Debt Payment	0
Liquid Fuels Fund	37,408.34
Debt Service Fund	
Principal and Interest Payment	221,796.37
Capital Improvements Fund	56,890.60
Public Works, EMS, VFD Facilities	440,612.89
Purchasing Card Direct Vendor Payments:	
Allied Republic	138,753.19
Cintas	3,885.86
Miscellaneous Borough Purchases	-0-

Motion was made by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Anderson, to approve the minutes of the October 15, 2014 Council meeting. Unanimously approved.

RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE COMMUNITY:

Mayor Hrivnak recognized Coach Matt Morgan, football coach of the Plum Senior High team for his successful season.

CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Nina Segelson announced upcoming events at the Plum Community Center

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS: None

MANAGER'S REPORT: None

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS:

Dana Barras-Franco of 3 Lacebark Court, thanked Council for her participation in the proposed cell tower and urged them to vote against it.

Brian Jodkin of 124 Foxtail Drive said that his children's bedroom would be 300 feet away from the tower and urged Council to vote against it for the safety of the children.

COUNCIL ACTIONS:

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Dell, to approve SP-3-14/CU-1-14 AT&T Tower. Site Plan/Conditional Use for proposed telecommunications tower at 947 Old Frankstown Rd.

Mr. Vento felt that the Borough's zoning failed and Mr. Anderson sympathized with the residents. Mr. Doyle thanked everyone for taking part and said even if Council voted it down, it would go up anyway when a Judge sees that it meets all the requirements. Mr. Szarmach said he doesn't agree with the tower but the Borough's hands are tied. Mr. Dell was concerned that if Council voted against this, who knows what could happen in the following year. Mr. Taylor said he wished they would find another location and Mr. Seitz, who lives in Whispering Pines, said he signed a petition before being appointed to Council and would have to abstain from voting.

On a roll call vote: Council member Doyle, Dell, Szarmach and Anderson voting yes; Councilman Seitz abstaining and Council members Taylor and Vento voting no. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve FS-5-14 Erzen Subdivision lot line revision/creation of new lot, 535 O'Block Road. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to approve FS-8-14 Rusnock Consolidation Plan, 4257 Sardis Road. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve FS-9-14 Serenity Ridge Subdivision, 9400 block of Saltsburg Road. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Anderson, to approve SP-5-14 Serenity Ridge Site Plan, 9400 block of Saltsburg Road. Unanimously approved. Mr. Rumbaugh gave a brief presentation highlighting the community. Paul Witzcowitz, 1095 Elicker Road and President of the Community Center, commented that there is a great deal of interest and the Center is already taking phone calls.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to approve SP-6-14 Davidson Property Company, 941 Davidson Road. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Anderson, to declare 123 Jackson Road as an unsafe structure and direct the property owner to repair or demolish the structure within 90 days. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to declare 1811 Hulton Road an unsafe structure and direct the property owner to repair or demolish the structure within 90 days. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Szarmach, seconded by Mr. Anderson, to accept the one-year option to extend the garbage contract with Republic Services for the period 7-1-15 through 6-30-16. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Szarmach, seconded by Mr. Vento, to appoint Keystone Collections as Delinquent Earned Income Tax Collector for the tax year 2011 and prior. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Dell, to authorize the staff to advertise an ordinance adopting the Emergency Management Plan. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to change the regularly scheduled Council meeting to 12-11-14 to accommodate the adoption of the 2015 budget. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to authorize the transfer of \$14,000 from various line items to 452-459 for fencing at PMFA as requested by staff. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Vento, to authorize staff to advertise an ordinance establishing the Local Services Tax of \$52 per person. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Szarmach, to authorize staff to advertise an ordinance setting the millage for Real Estate Tax at 3.78 mills. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to advertise an ordinance setting the Earned Income Tax rate at 1%. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Anderson, to add the advertising of the flood mitigation ordinance to the agenda. Nina Segelson asked that Council explain the fee. Mr. Thomas said the fee would be based on the amount of impervious surface. Mr. Dell said the homeowner would pay \$5/month. Mr. Vento said he would like the fee structure looked at. Mr. Thomas explained that they are only voting to advertise the ordinance. Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to advertise the ordinance. Unanimously approved.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Hrivnak gave the police report and said he feels Council is taking a step in the right direction with the proposed flood mitigation fee.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Intergovernmental Cooperative Committee with Plum School District: No report

Finance Committee: Mr. Dell announced the 2015 budget is available at the Borough Building for inspection and a new capital improvement fund is included. He said there would be a finance meeting on November 20th.

Personnel and Management: No report

Roads, Equipment and Grounds: Mr. Taylor highlighted the leaf collection schedule.

Public Safety: Mr. Seitz thanked the fire departments and EMS for driving around on Halloween and said the fire departments would be reviewing their budgets and are looking into a new volunteer benefit program.

Planning and Economic Development: Mr. Vento gave the building inspection report and announced a meeting of the Planning and Economic Development Committee on November 17th.

Parks and Recreation: Mr. Anderson said that park maintenance and winterizing is continuing.

Mr. Doyle announced that the Planning Commission would be meeting on November 17, 2014 at 6:30 pm

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS – NON-AGENDA ITEMS: None

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Szarmach, to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 pm. Unanimously approved.



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for Maria Gingery