

The Council of the Borough of Plum held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, September 9, 2013 at the Plum Borough Municipal Building, 4575 New Texas Road, Plum, PA 15239.

**ROLL CALL:** Present were council member: John Anderson, Mike Dell, Mike Doyle, Don Knopf, Keith Nowalk, Len Szarmach and Steve Taylor were present. Mayor Hrivnak was also present.

Motion was made by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Dell, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of August. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Nowalk, seconded by Mr. Szarmach, to approve the following expenses for the month of August:

Monthly Recurring Payables	\$ 22,223.49
Payables Requiring Council Approval	224,012.76
Street Improvement Fund	136,166.16
Fire Fund	18,228.75
Debt Payment	8,228.75
Liquid Fuels Fund	441,235.40
Public Works Facility	750,014.81
Purchasing Card Direct Vendor Payment:	
Allied Republic	134,228.16
Cintas	2,907.79
Miscellaneous Borough Purchases	244.10

Motion was made by Mr. Szarmach, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve the minutes of the August 12, 2013 council meeting. Unanimously approved.

#### **RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE COMMUNITY**

Mayor Hrivnak read a proclamation recognizing the Plum Senior Community Center and proclaiming September as Senior Center Month.

#### **CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Marilyn Klingensmith of Plum Community Library announced upcoming programs to be held at the library. Mrs. Klingensmith also reported that the Library's annual fundraiser mailer is going out shortly.

Nicki Edwards-Patafski from the Plum Community Senior Center announced upcoming programs to be held at the Center.

Councilman, Len Szarmach, announced a Corn Hole Tournament sponsored by St. John the Baptist Church. Proceeds from the tournament will benefit their school.

Mayor Hrivnak announced the Holiday Park Volunteer Fire Department will celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary with an open house on Sunday, October 6, 2013.

**President's Comments** – Mr. Doyle did not have anything to report.

**Manager's Report** – Mr. Thomas announced that the October Council Meeting will be on Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup> due to changing the work sessions to the first Tuesday of a month.

**Citizen's Comments – Agenda Items:**

Mr. Robert Huemme of 465 Crestview Drive thanked council and said the storm sewer works great. Mr. Huemme wanted to know where he stands with regard to some issues with water damage. Mr. Thomas stated he had met with Mr. and Mrs. Huemme and needs to work out final details with Council.

**COUNCIL ACTIONS**

Motion was made by Mr. Knopf, seconded by Mr. Taylor to adopt Ordinance No. 868-13 abandoning a portion of the Short Street right-of-way. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Szarmach, seconded by Mr. Anderson, to ratify Municipal Center Change orders for August in the amount of \$8,699.92. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Szarmach, to approve Resolution No. 775-13 adopting the Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for the Plum Police, Administration and Teamsters pension plans. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Nowalk, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to appoint Dr. Lillian Naccarati to a vacancy on the Plum Borough Library Board. This term will expire on December 31, 2015. Unanimously approved.

Mr. Thomas explained the second vacancy on the library board expires December 31, 2013. Council decided to interview these candidates at the work session scheduled for October 1, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.

Motion was made by Mr. Knopf, seconded by Mr. Nowalk, to adopt Ordinance No. 869-13 approving a bond issue not to exceed \$6,610,000. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Nowalk, seconded by Mr. Anderson, to authorize Plum Lacrosse Association field use at Larry Mills Park. Unanimously approved.

**MAYOR'S REPORT** – Mayor Hrivnak reported there were 717 calls for the month of August; all officers receive their bi-annual recertification in first aid and CPR; Officer Moriarty completed his 12 month probationary period; Officer Kost resumed his position as School Resource Officer for the 2013-14 school year; and police K-9 Voda underwent surgery for a damaged ACL. Voda is expected to make a full recovery and be back to duty in September.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Intergovernmental Cooperative Committee w/Plum School District** – Mr. Thomas said there is a tentative meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:30 p.m. prior to the work session here at the borough building.

**Finance Committee** – Mr. Dell reported that collections from the deed transfer tax are up from 2012; moving the EIT office from its present location to our building will save approximately \$25,000; the 2011 State reports are in the EIT office and residents may receive a notice if there is a discrepancy.

**Personnel and Management** – Mr. Nowalk said that Mr. Thomas and Mr. Bachy will meet with the board members at the senior center to discuss the review that was done.

**Roads, Equipment and Grounds** – Mr. Szarmach reported the department completed the annual paving program, worked on inlet repairs, pot hole patching, school zone line painting, replacement of traffic control and street signs. Mr. Szarmach stated that maintenance and repairs along with mowing and pavilion painting was conducted at the parks. Mr. Szarmach said they are preparing to move into their new facility and the annual leaf collection will begin on October 15<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Szarmach said the leaf schedule is on the local tv channel and also the network

**Public Safety** – Mr. Knopfel had nothing to report

**Planning and Economic Development** – Mr. Taylor reported there were 62 permits issued, 99 inspections conducted, and 56 violation notices issued.

**Parks and Recreation** – Mr. Anderson reported the department did maintenance preparation and cleanup for the soccer tournament and reseeded the football fields. Mr. Anderson said the committee had met with Melanie Findley to discuss long range plans for our parks.

**Citizen's Comments – Non-Agenda Items** – None

Mr. Doyle announced the planning commission will meet on Monday, September 16, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.

Motion was made by Mr. Knopfel, seconded by Mr. Anderson, to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Maria Gingery  
Assistant Borough Secretary