

The Council of the Borough of Plum held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, November 9, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Plum Borough Municipal Building, 4575 New Texas Road, Plum, PA 15239.

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

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

Motion was made by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Vento, to approve the following expenses for the month of October:

GENERAL FUND

Monthly Recurring Payables	\$ 39,874.13
Payables Requiring Council Approval	720,401.76

STREET IMPROVEMENT FUND

Payables Requiring Council Approval	11,713.19
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FIRE FUND

Payables Requiring Council Approval	24,684.55
Debt Payment	6,106.94

LIQUID FUELS FUND

Payables Requiring Council Approval	82,762.05
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DEBT SERVICE FUND

Debt Payment	295,546.07
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CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

Payables Requiring Council Approval	807.50
Recurring Payables	41,588.41

PUBLIC WORKS, EMS/VFD FACILITIES	7,705.00
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FLOOD MITIGATION

Payables requiring council Approval	30,892.80
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PURCHASING CARD DIRECT VENDOR PAYMENTS:

Allied Republic	138,820.04
Miscellaneous Borough Purchases	119.06

Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Anderson, to approve the minutes of the October 14, 2015 Council meeting. Unanimously approved.

RECOGNITION OF CHIEVEMENTS IN THE COMMUNITY – None

CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS – Heather Chirumbolo of Plum Community Center announced the Center is looking for volunteers; a Christmas Tea will be held on December 5th for children.

Tom Izydore of Plum EMS introduced the newly appointed administrator and operations director. The individuals are Chris Hendershaw and Joe Festa.

Council member Dave Vento announced the Plum High School is conducting a “Stuff a Bus” Christmas Toy Drive on December 2nd for underprivileged children.

PRESIDENT’S COMMENTS – Mr. Doyle had nothing to report.

MANAGER’S REPORT – Mr. Thomas had nothing to report.

CITIZEN’S COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS – None

COUNCIL ACTIONS

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Anderson, to approve SP-1-15, a site plan for the Regency Park Elementary School, contingent upon the final approval of the Borough Engineer. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve FS-12-15, the Danny subdivision located at 1682 Old Leechburg Road, contingent upon the completion of changes to the final drawing as requested by Allegheny County. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to approve FS-11-15, the lot consolidation plan for the Plum Borough School District’s bus property located on Greensburg Road. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve a request from Penn Glenn for a modification to the development ordinance. Unanimously approved.

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Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to re-approve FS-8-14, the George Rusnock lot consolidation located on Sardis Road. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to add to the agenda Resolution No. 803-15, authorizing staff to apply for a Community Development Block Grant. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to adopt Resolution No. 803-15, authorizing the Borough staff to apply for a Community Development Block Grant to make Larry Mills Park handicap accessible. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Seitz, authorizing the advertising of the 2016 draft budget. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Vento, authorizing the advertising of Ordinance No. 890-15, setting the 2016 Real Estate Tax rate at 3.78 mills. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Taylor, authorizing the advertising of Ordinance No. 891-15, setting the Earned Income Tax rate at 1%. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Seitz, authorizing the advertising of Ordinance No. 892-15, setting the Local Services Tax at \$52 per person per year. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Vento, to approve amending the Street Improvement budget as a result of the Repp Road landslide project coming in over budget by increasing the road construction line (04-439-723) by \$110,000 and decreasing the storm water projects line (04-439-729). Unanimously approved.

MAYOR'S REPORT – Mayor Hrivnak reported there were 923 calls for the previous month; the School Resource Officers began instructing school district personnel on the A.L.I.C.E. program; SRO Officer Little coordinated a new program title “Operation Safe Search” and the ATS radar speed display was deployed to Center Road, Shearer Road and New Texas Road. Mayor Hrivnak thanked the Borough’s veterans and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Intergovernmental Cooperative Committee w/ Plum School District – Mr. Doyle said the committee did not meet.

Finance Committee – Mr. Thomas reported on General Fund highlights: \$187,143 was received under current real estate; the Borough received \$163,190 under Earned Income Tax revenues; the Regional Asset District revenue is at 90% of budget; all departments continue to be tracking within their respective budgets and the remaining TAN payment will be remitted to Standard Bank.

Roads, Equipment and Grounds – Mr. Taylor asked residents to be patience with the Borough employees plowing snow. Mr. Taylor also asked residents to obey signage that is erected with regards to parking during snow emergencies.

Public Safety – Mr. Seitz did not have a report.

Planning and Economic Development - Mr. Vento reported there were 71 permits issued in the previous month. Mr. Vento read the breakdown of the reports and stated that permits generated \$20,149.60 in revenues this year.

Parks and Recreation – Mr. Anderson did not have a report

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS – NON AGENDA ITEMS – Patricia Cohen of 518 Regency Drive inquired about the status of Regency Park Elementary School. Ms. Cohen expressed concerns that residents property value would decline if the school is not refurbished or if it were torn down. Mr. Doyle directed Ms. Cohen to the Plum Borough School Board.

Mr. Doyle announced the Planning Commission will meet on November 16, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Anderson to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. Unanimously approved.



Maria Gingery
Assistant Borough Secretary