

COUNCIL MEETING – JANUARY 12, 2015**03-15**

The council of the Borough of Plum held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, January 15, 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 Dell, David Seitz, Leonard Szarmach, Steve Taylor, David Vento and Mayor Richard Hrivnak. Mike Doyle was absent.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to approve the following expenses for the month of December:

Monthly Recurring Payables	\$ 73,826.45
Payables Requiring Council Approval	313,180.15
Street Improvement Fund	160,438.30
Debt Payment	-
Fire Fund	24,088.97
Debt Payment	28,140.69
Recurring Payables	13,196.00
Liquid Fuels Fund	-
Debt Service Fund	-
Interest Payment	-
Capital Improvement Fund	-
Public Works, EMS/VFD Facilities	711,344.69
Purchasing Card Direct Vendor Payment	
Allied Republic	139,855.41
Cintas	3,395.80
Miscellaneous Borough Purchases	44.90

Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Anderson, to approve the minutes of the December 11, 2014 council meeting. Unanimously approved.

RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE COMMUNITY – None**CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Marilyn Klingensmith of Plum Community Library announced programs that will be scheduled throughout the next couple of months at the library. Mrs. Klingensmith announced that State and Federal 1040 tax forms will be available.

Sandy Bacasa , program coordinator of Plum Community Center announced programs to be held at the center and reported that income taxes are being prepared by appointment.

Tom Izydore of Plum EMS reported that 2,844 calls were dispatched in 2014, of those, 1,907 individuals were transported to facilities.

Bob Morran of Plum EMS announced their subscription drive will begin soon; they typically get responses from 30% of the residents. Mr. Morran encouraged residents to contribute.

CITIZENS COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS – None

COUNCIL ACTIONS

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to declare an unsafe structure at 537 James Way as required under Borough Ordinance 429. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Szarmach, to declare an unsafe structure at 606 Unity Center road as required under Borough Ordinance 429. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve Planning Commission recommendations (FS-10-14), the Ionadi subdivision on Leechburg Road. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve Resolution 788-15 authorizing conveyance of a parcel to the Renton Rod & Gun Club. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Szarmach, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to change the September 7, 2015 work session to Wednesday, September 9, 2015 and the October 12 council meeting to Wednesday, October 14, 2015 due to holidays. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Szarmach, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to appoint Joseph Dykta Jr. to the Plum Borough Civil Service Commission for a 6-year term commencing January 2015. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Szarmach, seconded by Mr. Vento, to re-appoint Tim Joyce to the Plum Library Board for a 3-year term commencing January 2015. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Szarmach, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to re-appoint Laura Mason to the Plum Library Board for a 3-year term commencing January 2015. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Szarmach, seconded by Mr. Anderson, to re-appoint Jim Rumbaugh to the Plum Borough Municipal Authority for a 5-year term commencing January 2015. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Szarmach, seconded by Mr. Vento, to re-appoint Martin Degore to a 4-year term on the Plum Borough Planning Commission commencing January 2015. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Szarmach, seconded by Mr. Vento, to re-appoint Mark Allison to a 4-year term on the Plum Borough Planning Commission commencing January 2015. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Szarmach, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to re-appoint Michelle Chapkis to a 5-year term on the Plum Borough Zoning Hearing Board commencing January 2015. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Szarmach, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to re-appoint Dave Majernick to a 1-year term on the Plum Borough Vacancy Board commencing January 2015. On a roll call vote: Messrs. Dell, Seitz, Szarmach, Taylor, and Anderson vote yes. Mr. Vento voted no. Motion carries.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Szarmach, to approve an agreement with Hoffman Kennels for 2015 for dog catcher services. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Szarmach, to add to the agenda, a resolution recognizing Unity Volunteer Fire Department as a service organization under Act 195 of 1990 (small games of chance). Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Szarmach, to approve Resolution 789-15 recognizing Unity Volunteer Fire Department as a service organization under Act 195 of 1990 (small games of chance). Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Szarmach, to ratify Municipal Center change orders for the month of December in the amount of \$10,608. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Szarmach, to approve the sale of a Tarco Leaf Machine to Cecil Township for \$5,000.

MAYOR'S REPORT – Mayor Hrivnak reported there were 700 calls for service in December; two individuals were arrested for selling heroin; an individual who burglarized the Holiday Park Shop n Save and the Monroeville Giant Eagle was arrested in Mississippi; speed display signs were deployed on Alcan Drive and Presque Isle Drive representing below average speeds on Alcan and above average on Presque Isle; the speed on Stirling Drive was also recorded and found the average to be .30 MPH over the limit. Mayor Hrivnak reminder residents of the Military Banner Program with the banners being erected by Memorial Day.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Intergovernmental Cooperative committee with Plum School District – Mr. Thomas stated they are working on setting up a date to meet.

Finance Committee – Mr. Dell reported we are ending 2014 with a slight deficit due to transferring money to the Capital Improvement and State Funds and the purchase of additional salt at the end of 2014.

Mr. Dell addressed a recent Letter To The Editor which was in the local paper. Mr. Dell stated we do not spend more than we have with regards to our parks. Mr. Dell announced that finance committee meeting dates will be posted on plumboro.com and meetings are open to the residents.

Personnel and Management – Mr. Szarmach reported we are in the process of conducting background investigations on the police candidates and hopefully will have a recommendation to hire at the February 9th council meeting.

Roads, Equipment and Grounds – Mr. Taylor reported that the Borough's 16 trucks are prepared to respond quickly in the event of a storm; the Borough has 13 drivers to cover the Borough and State roads. Mr. Taylor reminded residents to slow down, don't tailgate or pass a salt truck.

Mr. Taylor announced that Borough Employee Dave Kuba will retire soon. Mr. Thomas noted we have not received a formal resignation as of yet.

Mr. Taylor announced that there is a public works meeting to discuss safety issues scheduled for January 20 at 6 p.m. Mr. Taylor said that following the meeting he will report back to the remainder of council.

Public Safety – Mr. Seitz reported the Borough and School District met recently to discuss police enforcement of school property fire lane parking restrictions; developing new school safety zone plans for each school facility and a joint effort between the borough and school district to develop a mapping program for increased school bus safety.

Mr. Seitz stated that Old Mine Road was completed but is not open as a throughway until barricades have been removed.

Planning and Economic Development – Mr. Vento reported the department issued 61 permits and conducted 79 inspections; there were 892 permits issued in 2014, 41 were single family homes and there were 580 residential occupancy transfers. Mr. Vento announced that an Economic Development Committee meeting has been scheduled for Monday, January 19, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

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

Mr. Dell announced that the Planning Commission will meet on Monday, January 19, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

Citizen's Comments – Non Agenda Items – None

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



Maria Gingery
Assistant Borough Secretary