

COUNCIL MEETING – AUGUST 8, 2016**35-16**

The Council of the Borough of Plum held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, August 8, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Plum Borough Municipal Building, 4575 New Texas Road, Plum, PA 15239.

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

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

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

GENERAL FUND

Payables Requiring Council Approval	\$ 122,520.98
Recurring Payables	38,217.29

STREET IMPROVEMENT FUND

Payables Requiring Council Approval	64,218.59
Recurring Payables	1,225.53

FIRE FUND

Payables Requiring Council Approval	14,160.87
Recurring Payables	17,444.64

LIQUID FUELS FUND

Payables Requiring Council Approval	1,000,000.00
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CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

Recurring Payables	22,792.50
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PUBLIC WORKS, EMS/VFD FACILITIES, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

	4,275.00
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PURCHASING CARD DIRECT VENDOR PAYMENTS:

Republic Services	144,701.33
Miscellaneous Borough Purchases	17.17

FLOOD MITIGATION

Payables Requiring Council Approval	10,754.25
Recurring Payables	1,721.69

Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Dell, to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2016 Council Meeting. Unanimously approved.

RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE COMMUNITY

Mayor Hrivnak announced the second annual community parade would be held on Saturday, October 1, 2016. Information can be obtained on the Borough's website.

CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS – Marilyn Klingensmith of Plum Community Library announced their summer reading program was coming to a close. Mrs. Klingensmith said that their annual donation appeal would be going out soon.

Dave Vento announced upcoming programs to be held at the Plum Community Center. Mr. Vento also said that the Center is looking for volunteers to deliver Meals on Wheels.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS – Mr. Doyle did not have a report.

MANAGER'S REPORT – Mr. Thomas announced that the September Work Session would be changed to Wednesday, September 7th due to the Labor Day Holiday.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS

Diane Bullick of Thistle Court inquired about board appointments. Mrs. Bullick said that her husband applied for a board but never heard anything back. Mrs. Bullick asked how people were appointed if they are never interviewed.

Nick Vacarella of Vacarella Inc. had questions pertaining to Ordinance 600 with relation to clearing vegetation along the first 50' of your property fronting a road.

COUNCIL ACTIONS:

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to approve FS-11-15R, the revised Plum School District bus depot plan. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to approve FS-5-16, the Parco subdivision located at 5056 and 5058 Sardis Road. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Dell, to approve the Loshelder lot line revision located at 600-604 Harborview Drive. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Dell, to award the bid for the demolition of five abandoned structures to Ever Ready Contracting at a cost of \$26,000. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to advertise an ordinance to vacate the right-of-way on Lincoln Avenue 523-K-384. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Dell, to add to the agenda re-approval of the Autumn Ridge development. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to re-approve the Autumn Ridge development. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Dell, to appoint Stephen Bullick to the Library Board, filling the unexpired term of Margaret Evans ending in December 2016. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to appoint Amy Davis Cribbs to the Library Board, filling the unexpired term of Steven Schlauch ending in December 2016. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Dell, to make a conditional offer of employment to Donovan Savage for the position of Public Works Laborer, contingent upon his satisfactory completion of the necessary background check and testing. Unanimously approve.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Dell, to make a conditional offer of employment to Robert Pernice for the position of Public Works Laborer, contingent upon his satisfactory completion of the necessary background check and testing. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to make a conditional offer of employment to Alvery Neace for the position of Public Works Laborer, contingent upon his satisfactory completion of the necessary background check and testing. On a roll call vote: Messrs. Dell, Doyle, Majernik and Seitz voted yes. Mr. Vento voted no. Motion carries.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Dell, to instruct the Civil Service Commission to begin the process of establishing a new police civil service hiring list. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Majernik, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to approve a 4-year agreement with the Plum Fire Chiefs' Association for 2017-2020. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Dell, to authorize the local funding obligation for the CDBG grant application for the handicapped accessibility improvements to Larry Mills Park at a cost of \$66,634. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to approve a cost of living adjustment for a retired police officer as recommended by the Borough actuary in his correspondence dated 7/22/16. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Vento, to authorize the Borough Manger to sign an agreement with the Plum School District to sheriff sale specific properties for real estate tax delinquency. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Vento, to authorize sharing the cost of paving Kerr Road with the Plum Borough Municipal Authority at a cost of \$30,100. Unanimously approved.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Hrivnak reported there were 935 calls for service; the traffic division had 16 traffic details throughout the month; 35 traffic citations were issued; the ATS radar speed display was deployed to Shearer and Ross Hollow Roads; Officer Nick Iachini attended Sobriety Checkpoint Refresher training and the department is participating in the PA Aggressive Driving Enforcement Project.

Mayor Hrivnak announced that school will be opening soon and residents should drive carefully.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Intergovernmental Cooperative Committee w/Plum School District - Mr. Thomas said there is not a meeting scheduled at this time, but hopes to have one scheduled in late August or early September.

Finance Committee – Mr. Dell encouraged residents who are delinquent on their property taxes to contact the property tax office to get on a payment plan and thus avoid a possible sheriff sale.

Personnel and Management – No report in Mr. Szarmach's absence.

Roads, Equipment and Grounds – Mr. Seitz reported work has begun on the Hemphill Hollow project; the first box culvert has been completed and they are working on the second; the 2016 paving project is complete and residents should contact the Borough to report potholes.

Public Safety – Mr. Majernik reported there is a proposed ordinance on school bus safety zones. The ordinance addresses problematic bus stops in Plum. Mr. Majernik said there are 30 stops that will be designated no parking during the hours of 6:45 – 8:45 a.m. and 2 – 4 p.m. Mr. Majernik said if the ordinance is adopted there will be a \$25 fine for parking in these zones.

Planning and Economic Development – Mr. Vento reported that \$33,835 in fees were collected last month. Mr. Vento provided a breakdown of the fees collected.

Parks and Recreation – No report in Mr. Anderson's absence.

Mr. Doyle announced the Planning Commission will meet on August 15, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

Citizen Comments – Non Agenda Items

Motion was made by Mr. Majernik, seconded by Mr. Vento, to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m. Unanimously approved.



Maria Gingery
Assistant Borough Secretary