

The Council of the Borough of Plum held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, July 11, 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, Dave Majernik, David Seitz and Dave Vento. Mayor Hrivnak was present. Council members Mike Doyle, John Anderson and Leonard Szarmach were absent but joined the meeting later via phone-in.

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

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

GENERAL FUND

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| Recurring Payables | \$ 50,797.05 |
| Payables Requiring Council Approval | 216,858.87 |

STREET IMPROVEMENT FUND

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| Recurring Payables | 1,289.20 |
| Payables Requiring Council Approval | 160,766.11 |

FIRE FUND

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| Debt Payment | 14,555.49 |
| Payables Requiring Council Approval | 18,173.96 |

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT

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| Payables Requiring Council Approval | 76,270.95 |
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FLOOD MITIGATION

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| Recurring Payables | 1,811.15 |
| Payables Requiring Council Approval | 23,037.65 |

PURCHASING CARD DIRECT VENDOR PAYMENTS

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| Allied Republic | 138,753.19 |
| Miscellaneous Borough Purchases | 77.32 |

Unanimously approved.

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

RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE COMMUNITY

Mayor Hrivnak read a proclamation announcing that the week of July 16 – 23rd is Stamp Out Leukemia week. Tammy Taylor and Joe Ionata reported on the Stampede in the Park Run/Walk to be held on July 23rd at Boyce Park. The Stampede is in conjunction with Stamp Out Leukemia week and all proceeds will go to UPMC Hillman Cancer Center.

Mayor Hrivnak announced there will be a 5K run/walk in Boyce Park on September 4th to benefit Parkinson's disease.

AUDIT REPORT

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Cara Nicoletti and Dan Capone, Auditors from Maher Duessel and Associates reported on the Borough's Audit Report for 2015. Ms. Nicoletti noted there were no material weaknesses in the audit.

CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS – Pamela Bishop-Falls announced upcoming programs to be held at the Plum Community Library.

Dave Seitz announced that St. John's Church will hold their annual summer festival beginning Wednesday, July 13 through Saturday, July 16.

Mr. Dell read a statement regarding the rezoning of property on Saltsburg and Davidson Roads.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS – No report

MANAGER'S REPORT – Mr. Thomas did not have a report.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS

William Logan Jr., owner of Federal Express building, said he supports no rezoning of the property on Saltsburg Road behind S & T Bank. Mr. Logan expressed concerns for the increased traffic that would be created by building 200+ homes.

Louis Grant Jr., business owner along Davidson Road, said the business owners do not want the property rezoned. Mr. Grant cited various reasons for not rezoning the property. Mr. Grant did not feel that the property rezoning request had been properly advertised and asked that Council table the motion.

Mr. Dell said this is not time for public debate.

Al Papa, property owner, said he did not object to the development. Mr. Papa said that many of the comments made by people had been incorrect or untrue.

Susan Dietrich, business owner, said she feels that no one is listening to the requests of the business owners. Ms. Dietrich said that the property owner, Mr. Albee purchased the property from US Steel and it was zoned M-1; that property should be sold as M-1.

Ms. Dietrich stated that meetings were being held outside of the Borough Building. Ms. Dietrich noted that a traffic study had not been done in the past 15 years.

Mayor Hrivnak questioned if there had been a meeting. Mr. Thomas said there had not been a meeting, it was discussed at the work session.

Mr. Albee, property owner, said that the individuals opposed to the rezoning had businesses located 1 mile from the property. Mr. Albee stated that the development is not on Davidson Road but the entrance will be located on Saltsburg Road. Mr. Albee reported there are two gas wells on the property, both are dry.

Mr. Albee said the homes will not be government subsidized. The homes price will be in the \$300,000 range.

COUNCIL ACTIONS:

Messrs. Doyle, Szarmach and Anderson joined the meeting by phone.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to approve a memorandum of understanding with the Allegheny County Conservation District outlining roles and responsibilities as defined by the law for the regulatory programs and services they offer. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Majernik to approve the lot line adjustment for the York property parcels 0736-G-00325 and 00331. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to approve a conditional use for Verizon Wireless to expand the use by the placement of new antennas with new mounts on the existing owner and construction of a new steel equipment platform. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to approve CU-1-16 a land development approval for Pittsburgh SMSA to collocate telecommunications antennas on an existing 190 foot tall self-support telecommunication tower and construction of a steel equipment platform known as 184 Hulton Road. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to adopt Resolution No. 814-16, authorizing the Borough Manager to sign all contracts and paperwork related to the Borough's Green Light Go Grant. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to enact Ordinance No. 902-16, amending the Borough's zoning map (for parts of parcels 741-A-46 and 739-S-125) from M1 (manufacturing) and B2 (general commercial) to R2 (neighborhood residential). On a roll call vote: Messrs. Vento, Seitz, Anderson, Dell, Doyle, Majernik, Seitz and Szarmach voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to approve the recently updated Developer's Agreement document for commercial and residential development. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to accept the resignation of Margaret Evans from the Plum Library Board. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to appoint Keith Nowalk to the Plum Borough Municipal Authority Board, filling the unexpired term of Al Flickinger ending in December 2018. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to authorize the Borough Manager to sign the 2016-2020 sanitation contract, including the modification of the contract to add automated waste collection, with Republic Services. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Majernik, seconded by Mr. Vento, to approve the cost of living adjustments for 2 retired police officers as recommended by the Borough actuary in his correspondence dated June 27, 2016. Unanimously approved.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Hrivnak reported the Department completed 208 different assignments during the U.S. Open with 25 of the department's 26 officers accepting extra assignments. Mayor Hrivnak thanked the officers.

Mayor Hrivnak reported the Department's investigative unit conducted a drug bust where 10 individuals were arrested; the traffic division issued 31 traffic citations; the ATS radar was deployed in several locations; there were 961 calls for service; Officers Rupert, Barch and Golnoski attended a Sobriety Checkpoint training class, Officer Crystal Iachini attended a child safety seat class; Sergeants Abraham and DiMaria attended Police Supervisory in Service Training and Officer Crystal Iachini completed her 12 month probationary period.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Intergovernmental cooperative Committee with Plum School District – Mr. Thomas announced a meeting will be scheduled in August.

Finance Committee – Mr. Dell reported that revenues had increased and expenses went down in 2015; there was an increase in the General Fund balance from the previous year.

Personnel and Management – No report.

Roads, Equipment and Grounds – Mr. Seitz did not have a report.

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

Planning and Economic Development – Mr. Vento reported there were a total of 71 permits issued during June; building permits generated \$3,359 and all fees totaled \$10,512.00.

Parks and Recreation – No report.

Mr. Dell announced the Planning Commission would meet on Monday, July 18th at 6:30 p.m.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS – NON AGENDA ITEMS

Andy Tomko of 110 Willow Village Drive asked if there was a guarantee that Willow Village Drive would not be connected to the new development.

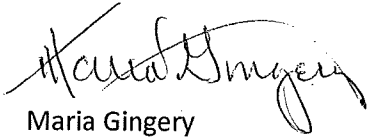
Francis Bodnar of 114 Willow Village Drive said that the proposed road site is a wetland and swamp.

Mr. Dell said that these things would be discussed at the Planning Commission meeting.

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Mary Lyn Russo of 2048 Eastern Avenue approached Council about the poor condition of her road. Mrs. Russo distributed information about her road which included photographs. Mrs. Russo requested Eastern Avenue be considered for paving in 2017.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 p.m.
Unanimously approved.



Maria Gingery
Assistant Borough Secretary