

The Council of the Borough of Plum held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, February 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: John Anderson, Mike Dell, Mike Doyle, Dave Majernik and Dave Vento. Council members Dave Seitz and Leonard Szarmach were absent. Mayor Richard Hrivnak was present.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to approve the following expenses for the month of January:

GENERAL FUND

Payables requiring Council approval	273,115.62
Recurring Payables	\$281,807.29

STREET IMPROVEMENT FUND

Payables Requiring Council approval	\$ 10,883.03
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FIRE FUND

Payables Requiring Council approval	\$ 26,568.56
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LIQUID FUELS FUND

Payables Requiring Council approval	\$ 69,020.88
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CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

Public Works, EMS/VFD Facilities, Capital Improvements	\$150,488.20
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PURCHASING CARD DIRECT VENDOR PAYMENTS

Allied Republic	\$138,753.19
Miscellaneous Borough Purchases	1, 548.50

FLOOD MITIGATION

Payables Requiring Council approval	\$ 6,651.66
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Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Anderson, to approve the minutes of the January 4, 2016 reorganization meeting. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Anderson, to approve the minutes of the January 11, 2016 council meeting. Unanimously approved.

RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE COMMUNITY

Mayor Hrivnak recognized Ed Kenna for his dedication and service to the Holiday Park Volunteer Fire Department. Mr. Kenna has been a volunteer for 47 years.

Mayor Hrivnak read a proclamation proclaiming March as Meals on Wheels month.

Mayor Hrivnak announced Girl Scout Troop 50031 will sponsor a benefit at the Masonic Hall on April 3rd. Proceeds will benefit the Ronald McDonald House.

CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Seitz announced upcoming programs for the Plum Community Center

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS – Mr. Doyle announced the Municipal Authority will hold a meeting in the Borough's council chambers on February 17th to discuss the transfer of water from Wilkinsburg/Penn Joint to Westmoreland County Water Authority.

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

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS – None

COUNCIL ACTIONS

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to reapprove FS-19-15, the revised Broome Subdivision No. 2. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to approve the 2016 merit increases for administrative employees as recommended by the Personnel Committee. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to approve the Borough Manager's Employment Contract through December 31, 2017 as recommended by the Personnel Committee. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Dell, to appoint Joseph DiMaria as Plum Borough Police Sergeant effective February 9, 2016. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to adopt Resolution No. 805-16, authorizing the destruction of municipal records in accordance with the Pennsylvania State Records Retention Act. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Anderson, to authorize the Council President to sign an engagement letter with Piper Jaffray for the possible refinancing of the 2013 General Obligation Bonds. Unanimously approved.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Hrivnak reported there 841 calls last month, 40 of which involved vehicle accidents; School Resource Officers Little and Ricketts conducted the ALICE program with the Borough's schools; the officers presented the Buckle Up program to students at Center elementary; the officers continued their instruction with the Attorney General's Office Operation Safe Search program. Officers Farmerie and Conley received additional training in investigative techniques on the heroin epidemic.

Mayor Hrivnak reported the ATS radar speed display sign was deployed to Holiday Park Drive and Cherrywood Drive; the department has completed the registration for the DEA's National Take Back Initiative; the event will be held at Bill's Pharmacy on April 30th.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATIVE COMMITTEE W/Plum School District – Mr. Seitz and Mr. Majernik reported they had discussed the Plum Athletic Foundation and the use of the old Pivik School site; a committee will be put together and they will meet again in March.

Finance Committee – Mr. Dell reported the auditors had been in for a period of two weeks, the committee plans on pursuing delinquent real estate taxes.

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

Roads, Equipment and Grounds – Mr. Seitz reported there were 18 callouts in January for road maintenance. Mr. Seitz said that residents should report potholes and observe no parking signs during snow events.

Public Safety – Mr. Majernik reported the Borough has participated in the Nixle system for the past five years and recently upgraded the system; the committee had met with the volunteer fire departments to discuss donations of surplus vehicles and there was a request for a street light at Willow Village and Saltsburg Roads. Mr. Majernik urged residents to support the local fire departments by attending their fish fries during the Lenten season.

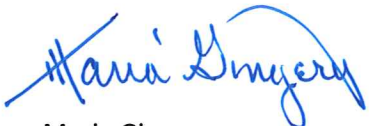
Planning and Economic Development – No report in Mr. Vento's absence.

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

Mr. Doyle announced the Planning Commission will meet on Monday, February 22nd at 6:30 p.m.

Citizen Comments – Non Agenda Items – None

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



Maria Gingery
Assistant Borough Secretary