

COUNCIL MEETING – JUNE 10, 2013

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The Council of the Borough of Plum held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, June 10, 2013 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, Don Knopf, Keith Nowalk, Len Szarmach and Steve Taylor. Mr. Anderson was absent. Mayor Rich Hrivnak was present also.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Nowalk, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve the expenses for the month of May:

Monthly Recurring Payables	\$ 56,611.97
Payables Requiring Council Approval	\$312,221.63
Street Improvement Fund	\$155,215.56
Fire Fund	\$ 31,340.83
Debt Payment	\$ 8,225.76
Public Works Facility	\$747,238.40
Direct Vendor Payments:	
Allied Republic	\$129,176.80
Cintas	\$ 2,526.26
Miscellaneous Borough Purchases	\$ 443.42

Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Nowalk, seconded by Mr. Szarmach, to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2013 council meeting. Unanimously approved.

Recognition of Achievements in the Community:

Mayor Hrivnak read a proclamation for "Stand By Leukemia Week" which is July 13-20th. Tammy Taylor and Plum School District Coach Joe Ionta announced upcoming events with proceeds going to the Hillman Center.

Kenneth Sebastian of Unity Fire Department announced that Tyler Brucker of Holiday Park is the recipient of this year's scholarship award. The scholarship is funded from EMS, the volunteer fire departments and the police.

Civic Announcements:

Marilyn Klingensmith of Plum Community Library announced upcoming programs to be held at the library.

Keith Nowalk announced upcoming programs to be held at the Plum Community Senior Center.

Bob Morran of Plum EMS reported on a free CPR class, the current subscription drive and they will be at community days.

Ira Helfer of Plum Fire Chief's Association announced there were 578 emergency calls in the first quarter of 2013.

President's Comments: Mr. Doyle said that the school picnic is tomorrow at Kennywood Park.

Manager's Report :

Mr. Thomas announced a vacancy on the Plum Library Board. Individuals interested in the vacancy should send a letter addressed to Council; Community Days are scheduled for June 21 and 22nd.

Citizen's Comments – Agenda Items – None

Council Actions:

Motion was made by Mr. Nowalk, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve a site plan request from Port Authority Transit of Allegheny County for a Park and Ride facility at Route 286 and New Texas Road. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Nowalk, seconded by Mr. Dell, to approve a site plan request from Plum Borough School District for a new elementary school building at 315 Holiday Park Drive. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Nowalk, seconded by Mr. Szarmach to table setting a public hearing date for an unsafe structure located at 751 Unity Center Road. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Nowalk, seconded by Mr. Szarmach, to set a public hearing date for July 8 at 6 p.m. to take comment on an unsafe structure located at 319 Ohiopyle Drive. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Nowalk, seconded by Mr. Szarmach, to hire Jason Muggli as the IT Coordinator at a salary of \$63,000. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Szarmach, to advertise an ordinance setting the 2013 millage rate at 3.78 mills and setting a special council meeting for June 24 at 7 p.m. to approve the ordinance. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Nowalk, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve a collective bargaining agreement with the police for the years 2014-2017. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Szarmach, seconded by Mr. Dell, to approve Ordinance No. 866-13 making School Road a “one-way” road. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Szarmach, seconded by Mr. Nowalk, to authorize the Plum EMS/RFC station at the Plum Municipal Center. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Nowalk, seconded by Mr. Szarmach, to ratify Municipal Center change orders at a cost of \$97,452.56. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Nowalk, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to purchase a Content Management System from Virtual Towns and Schools at a cost of \$7,997 over three years for the Borough’s website. Unanimously approved.

Mayor’s Report

Mayor Hrivnak reported there were 830 calls for the previous month; two officers attended training “How to Use Cell Phone Technology in Criminal Investigations”, Officer Iachini withdrew his resignation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Intergovernmental Cooperative Committee w/Plum School District – Mr. Nowalk said they would not meet throughout the summer but a meeting will be scheduled in August.

Finance Committee – Mr. Dell reported on the reduction on the millage rate; Mr. Dell announced that they are starting earlier on the 2014 budget and asked organizations to submit their requests.

Personnel and Management – Mr. Nowalk reported the IT Director had been hired and the police collective bargaining agreement approved; all contracts are good for the next three years.

Roads, Equipment and Grounds – Mr. Szarmach reported on current road projects and repairs; storm facilities have been inspected, potholes are being patched and bids are being accepted for the Repp Road slide repair.

Public Safety – Mr. Knopfel urged residents to donate to the EMS and volunteer fire departments. Mr. Knopfel thanked the Holiday Park Fire Department for 50 years of service.

Planning and Economic Development – Mr. Taylor reported that 61 permits were issued and 98 inspections were conducted for the month. Mr. Taylor welcomed the new IT director.

Parks and Recreation – Mr. Dell reported for Mr. Anderson that grant money was available for parks and recreation with a submittal deadline of June 30, 2013.

Mr. Doyle announced the Planning Commission will meet on Monday, June 17, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.

Citizen's Comments – Non Agenda Items

Mary Louise Anderson of Chris Court had inquiries regarding the new bond issue and expenditures for community days.

Motion was made by Mr. Nowalk, seconded by Szarmach, to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m. Unanimously approved.

Maria Gingery
Assistant Borough Secretary