

The Council of the Borough of Plum held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, January 9, 2017 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, Dave Seitz and Dave Vento. Councilman Leonard Szarmach was absent. Mayor Hrivnak was present.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to approve the expenses for the month of December (listing attached). Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to approve the minutes of the December 14th and 28th Council Meeting minutes. Unanimously approved.

RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE COMMUNITY – None

CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

John Anderson, Councilmember, read a listing of programs to be held at the Plum Community Library.

Maria Schaefer of Plum Community Center announced upcoming programs to be held at the Community Center.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS – Mr. Doyle wished his daughter a Happy 19th Birthday.

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

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS – None

COUNCIL ACTIONS:

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to table the preliminary approval of the proposed Maronda Wellington Place Residential Housing Plan. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Vento, to reappoint John Joyce to a six-year term on the Civil Service Commission beginning in January 2017. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Vento, to appoint Lee Ann Rethage to the Plum Library Board filling the unexpired term of Lillian Naccarati, beginning in January 2017 and concluding on December 31, 2018. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to reappoint Stephen Bullick to a three-year term on the Plum Library Board beginning in January 2017. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to appoint Michelle Southern to a three-year term on the Plum Library Board beginning in January 2017. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Dell, to reappoint Amy Davis Cribbs to a three-year term on the Plum Library Board beginning in January 2017. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Dell, to reappoint Dennis Hydock to a five-year term on the Plum Municipal Authority Board beginning in January 2017. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to appoint Greg Magnus to a four-year term on the Planning Commission beginning in January 2017. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to reappoint Bob Zurich to a four-year term on the Planning Commission beginning in January 2017. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Dell, to reappoint Matt Vasil to a five-year term on the Zoning Hearing Board beginning in January 2017. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to reappoint Bill Ferguson to a one-year term on the Vacancy Board beginning in January 2017. On a roll call voted: Messrs. Seitz, Anderson, Dell, Doyle and Majernik voted yes. Mr. Vento voted no. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to adopt Resolution No 823-17 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 adopt Resolution No. 822-17 authorizing the 2017 master lease agreement with Vision Financial Group. Unanimously approved.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Hrivnak reported that the Plum School District has provided the Plum Police Department with access to the security cameras in use throughout the schools through police department

vehicle MDTs; the Police Department participated in Stuff-A-Store toy project for less fortunate children; Officer Schneiderlochner did a presentation at cub Scout Pack 139; SRO Little partnered with the Knights of Columbus to distribute new winter coats to children in need; the Department conducted four traffic details and 27 citations were issued; the Department purchased a new Data Master DMT breath testing machine and the department conducted a roving DUI patrol.

Mayor Hrivnak stated the fire departments have elected new officers and he wished to thank those who served in that capacity.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance – Mr. Dell reported the Borough finished 2016 with a \$35,000 surplus in the General Fund after doing a \$450,000 transfer to the Capital Improvement Fund. Mr. Dell said in 2017 the Borough will focus on our roads, spending approximately 1.9 million.

Personnel and Management – No report.

Intergovernmental Cooperative Committee with Plum School District – No report.

Roads – Mr. Seitz reported the public works committee will meet to review the 2017 paving project so that the bid can go out early; the department closed out 13 work tickets and has opened new ones; winter signage has been replaced and upgraded to new standards.

Public Safety – Mr. Majernik reported that he will attend January's Fire Chiefs Association meeting.

Planning and Economic Development – Mr. Vento reported on the permits that were issued in December generating \$11,482. Mr. Vento explained the reason for voting against 2017 tax millage. Mr. Vento said he was not opposed to the EMS but did not think we needed an additional ½ mill at this time.

Mr. Doyle said we originally discussed the ½ mill increase, however, we didn't want to increase taxes again in another two years. Mr. Doyle noted we are still have one of the lowest millage rates in Western PA.

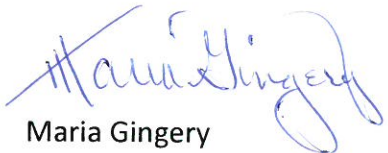
Mr. Thomas stated that the Borough's last tax increase was in 2007 and there was a reduction prior to that because of the County's reassessment.

Mr. Doyle said that the EMS subscription response was at 35 % of the residents. Mr. Doyle added that we are a growing community and what is collected will be put right back in to it.

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

Mr. Doyle announced the Planning Commission will meet on January 16th.

Motion was made by Mr. Majernik, seconded by Mr. Vento, to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. Unanimously approved.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Maria Gingery", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Maria Gingery
Assistant Borough Secretary