

The Council of the Borough of Plum held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, July 9, 2018 at the Plum Borough Municipal Building, 4575 New Texas Road, Plum, PA 15239.

**ROLL CALL:** Present were council members: John Anderson, Paul Dern, Mike Doyle, David Odom and David Seitz. Council members David Majernik and Mike Pastor were absent. Mayor Schlegel was present.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Dern, seconded by Mr. Odom, to approve the expenses for the month of June (Attached). Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz seconded by Mr. Dern, to approve the minutes of the June 11, 2018 Council meeting. Unanimously approved.

**RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE COMMUNITY** – Mayor Schlegel said there were none at this time.

**CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

Karen Hochberg of Plum Community Senior Center introduced herself as the new executive director of the center, replacing Nina Segelson. Ms. Hochberg announced programs to be held at the center.

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

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

**CITIZEN'S COMMENTS AGENDA ITEMS** – None

**COUNCIL ACTIONS:**

Motion was made by Mr. Odom, seconded by Mr. Dern, to approve FS-15-18, the Burns Consolidation Plans as recommended by staff. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Odom, seconded by Mr. Anderson, to grant conditional use approval to A. L. Recover, CU-02-18, for a repossession business to be located at 3150 Leechburg Road, with conditions as listed in the findings of facts. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Odom, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to accept FSC-16-18 the Ricciuti Consolidation Plan as complete. Unanimously approved.

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Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Dern, to approve a payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT) agreement with the Plum Creek Acres Apartments. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Odom, to approve an agreement with Carl and Monica Robinson of #3 Stotler Road to accept a donated parcel of land adjacent to the Borough Football Complex. Said land is to be used exclusively for recreational purposes and the Borough agrees not to improve the property beyond its current state. Unanimously approved.

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Schlegel reported the police department responded to 1,135 calls for last month; the speed trailer was set on Old Leechburg and New Texas Roads where several individuals exceeded the speed limit. Mayor Schlegel stated the traffic division officer is doing his job.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATIVE COMMITTEE WITH PLUM SCHOOL DISTRICT** – Mr. Thomas said that a meeting has not been scheduled at this time.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE** – No report in Mr. Majernik's absence.

**ROADS, EQUIPMENT, BUILDING AND GOUNDS** – No report in Mr. Pastor's absence.

**PUBLIC SAFETY** – Mr. Dern reported the EMS responded to 286 calls last month; Jeff Bayne recently completed the paramedic program at the Center for Emergency Medicine; the EMS participated in Summerfest; Life Flight visited Summerfest and EMS offers CPR training the third Thursday of each month at their building on Old Mine Road.

**PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** – Mr. Odom reported there were 98 permits issued resulting in permit fees of \$12,760; the planning department met with the Borough Engineer and did title searches in preparation for the August 6 public hearing for abandoned structures; the department met with the newly appointed Facilities Director of Plum School District to discuss property maintenance at the schools and they have received a developer's agreement for Parkside Estates.

**PARKS AND RECREATION** – Mr. Anderson said the public works department worked on the set up and tear down of Summerfest; new signs have been erected at Larry Mills Parks; the movie Elf will be part of the summer movie series on July 14<sup>th</sup>; normal maintenance was performed at Plum Creek Park and

other Borough parks and be cautious driving on New Texas and Ross Hollow Roads due to ball players and spectators.

Mr. Doyle announced the Planning Commission will not meet in Jul.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS – NON AGENDA ITEMS**

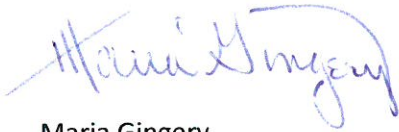
Fran Ferragonio of 234 Oak Road and current property tax collector thanked former tax collector Harry Schlegel and Greg Grewe of PGB Software for their assistance. Mr. Ferragonio thanked Borough Council for approving a tax payment plan for homeowners. Mr. Ferragonio explained how the tax payment plan would be structured noting that any late payments would incur a 10% penalty.

Dianne Damico-Emge of 157 Alcan Drive stated her neighbor has between 50-100 cats that are not spayed or neutered. Ms. Emge said the stench has caused respiratory problems for herself and her family. Ms. Emge said that Kevin Fields from the Borough's code inspection department has been out and is aware of the problem.

Mayor Schlegel said the Borough is working on an ordinance which they hope to have in place soon.

A resident who did not identify himself said he is also a neighbor. This resident expressed concerns for the people living in the home with the cats. He said they may be suffering and may need assistance.

Motion was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Odom, to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. Unanimously approved.



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