

The Council of the Borough of Plum held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, February 12, 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 Majernik, Michael Pastor and David Seitz. Council member Dave Odom was absent. Mayor Schlegel was present.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Dern, to approve the expenses for the month of February (attached). Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Majernik, seconded by Mr. Pastor, to approve the minutes of the January 2nd reorganization meeting and the January 8, 2018 regular meeting of council. Unanimously approved.

RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE COMMUNITY – None

CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Fran Ferragonio, Plum Borough Property Tax Collector, announced his office would have limited hours through May 4, 2018. The office will be open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8:30 to 4:30 p.m.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS – Mr. Doyle had nothing to report.

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

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS NON-AGENDA ITEMS – None

COUNCIL ACTIONS:

Motion was made by Mr. Pastor, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to adopt Resolution No. 843-18 for the Allegheny County Vacant Property Recovery Program for property located at the corner of Sardis Road and Old Leechburg Road (1098-F-64). Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Pastor, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to enter into an agreement with Cougar Land Services for seismic testing on Borough properties. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Pastor, seconded by Mr. Anderson, to accept the dedication of Lot 12 from the Black Hills Consolidation Plan. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Pastor, seconded by Mr. Dern, to approve the Memorial Drive Consolidation Plan (FS-03-18) as recommended by the Planning Commission in their letter dated January 16, 2018 with the Borough advertising a ordinance to vacate a portion of Memorial Drive. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Pastor, seconded by Mr. Dern, to grant preliminary and final land development (SP-01-18) as well as final subdivision approval (FS-01-18) for the Plum Creek Subdivision Plan, as recommended by and including the conditions listed in the Planning Commission letter dated January 16, 2018. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Dern, to adopt a job description for the Administrative Assistant-Finance as presented. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to approve the 2018 staff salaries as presented. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Dern, to approve the 2018-2019 Manager's contract. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to approve the Borough Solicitor's consultant fees for 2018 as proposed. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Dern, to approve the Borough Engineer's consultant fees for 2018 as proposed. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Dern, to appoint Mary Diane (Dede) Kenny to the Plum Borough Library Board for the remainder of a three year term that will expire on December 31, 2020. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Pastor, to appoint Jim Stecik to the Plum Borough Municipal Authority Board to fill the unexpired term of Alan Vento to end on December 31, 2020. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Dern, to accept the low bid in the amount of \$41,805 from Sports & Recreation Associates for the Larry Mills Phase 2 ADA Improvements. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Majernik, seconded by Mr. Dern, to adopt Resolution No. 844-18, the master lease agreement with Vision Leasing for 2018. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Pastor, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to approve abandoning the Ellwood Avenue Extension to be dedicated to the PA Turnpike Commission. Unanimously approved.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Schlegel thanked the Unity Community Church for providing lunch to the police department over the Christmas Holidays. Mayor Schlegel reported there were 1,063 calls for service; 128 traffic citations were issued; 69 parking tickets issued; the department responded to two (2) fatal drug overdoses during January.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATIVE COMMITTEE WITH PLUM SCHOOL DISTRICT – Mr.

Thomas reported they discussed a plan for delinquent property taxes; an SRO agreement with the school district; a new joint assessment agreement with Longwood at Oakmont and the possibility of sharing services. Mr. Thomas said he would discuss this with their business agent.

FINANCE COMMITTEE – Mr. Majernik reported the independent auditors spent two weeks performing work for the 2017 audit, we expect to receive a draft in March; we have not drawn on the Tax Anticipation Note at this time; General Fund revenues totaled \$508,661 with expenditures totaling \$1,185,624; and the Department of Auditor General performed an audit of the Liquid Fuels Fund.

ROADS, EQUIPMENT, BUILDING AND GROUNDS – Mr. Pastor reported there was a water issue in the police department due to a broken water line; winter maintenance was performed around the building; crews plowed the parking lots; a new copy room area was created in the café at the Plum Community Senior Center; a roof leak caused some damage on the EMS side of the Al Franci Building and the lounge was painted on the Renton VFD side of the building. Mr. Pastor also reported they are working with the engineer on the 2018 paving contract; a leaf vacuum has been placed on order; we received a quote for a 2019 Peterbilt Tandem Plow Truck; there were 9 winter maintenance events, pothole patching continues; new regulator signs were installed and repairs were made to damaged mailboxes. Mr. Pastor reminded residents that there is no on street parking during snow emergencies.

PUBLIC SAFETY – Mr. Dern reported they are reviewing Ordinance 717-04 to see whether fees can be charged for incidents when a fire department responds; fish fry's are beginning this week at the local fire departments

Brian Maloney, Director of Operations for Plum EMS reported they responded to 309 calls of which 187 individuals were transported. Mr. Maloney said that mutual aid services assisted Plum on 13 occasions. Mr. Maloney reported Plum EMS is certified at a master level for Emergency Medical Services of Children in Pennsylvania for the treatment of children; Plum EMS put Narcan on their trucks and had 2 overdoses today; subscription cards have been mailed out. Residents are encouraged to contribute.

PARKS AND RECREATION - Mr. Anderson did not have a report.

Mr. Seitz announced that PBSA is interested in taking over Renton Ballfield; registration for baseball can be done online or at St. John's.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS NON-AGENDA ITEMS –

Jim and Mary Lynn Russo of Eastern Avenue expressed their concerns with tractor trailers coming onto their street and backing into their yard to turn around. Mr. Russo said their lawn and their neighbor's is getting torn up. The Russo's suggested a sign be erected prohibiting tractor trailers on the road. Mr. Doyle said that Council will look into it.

Tom Dorsey and Brian Rozewicz of Havana and Hialeah Drives informed Council that triaxle dump trucks are traveling on Golden Mile Highway during pre-dawn hours and applying their engine brake retarders. Mr. Thomas said that an ordinance would need to be approved.

Mr. Doyle announced the Planning Commission will be held on Tuesday, February 20, 2018.

Motion was made by Mr. Dern, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

Maria Gingery
Assistant Borough Secretary