

COUNCIL MEETING – DECEMBER 11, 2014

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The Council of the Borough of Plum held their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, December 11, 2014 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 Doyle, Mike Dell, David Seitz and David Vento. Council members John Anderson, Leonard Szarmach, Steve Taylor and Mayor Hrivnak were absent.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Dell, to approve the expenses for the month of November:

Monthly Recurring Payables	\$ 7,297.06
Payables Requiring Council Approval	343,910.90
Street Improvement Fund	3,111.88
Debt Payment	-
Fire Fund	18,783.97
Debt Payment	8,225.76
Liquid Fuels Fund	10,946.78
Debt Service Fund	
Interest Payment	-
Capital Improvement Fund	72,734.72
Public Works Facility	525,155.06
Purchasing Card Direct Vendor Payments	
Allied Republic	140,942.45
Cintas	3,775.05
Miscellaneous Borough Purchases	

Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Dell, to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2014 Council Meeting. Unanimously approved.

RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE COMMUNITY – None

CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marilyn Klingensmith of Plum Community Library announced the Plum Borough Education Association donated six iPads to the library; library materials are now available for delivery along with meals delivered with Meals on Wheels; solicitation letters are out and residents are encouraged to donate.

Dave Vento read a report from Nina Segelson announcing upcoming programs at the Plum Senior Community Center.

President's Comments – Mr. Doyle wished everyone a happy holiday.

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. Seitz, to approve (SP-8-14) the Slagel site plan to convert an existing home into professional office space at 2170 Hulton Road. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Dell, to set a public hearing date for 1/5/15 at 6:30 pm for an unsafe structure located at 537 James Way. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to set a public hearing date for 1/5/15 at 6:45 pm for an unsafe structure located at 606 Unity Center Road. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Vento, to waive the penalty and interest portion of the Real Estate tax due for the property located at 7700 Aspen Drive as a result of the billing error from the Allegheny County Records. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to approve Ordinance No. 882-14, the Plum Borough Flood Mitigation Fee Ordinance. On a roll call vote: Messrs. Doyle, Dell and Seitz vote yes. Mr. Vento voted no. Motion carries.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to approve Ordinance No. 883-14, the Earned Income Tax Ordinance, setting the rate at 1% for 2015. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to approve Ordinance No. 884-14, the Local Services Tax Ordinance, setting the rate at \$52 per person for 2015. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to approve Ordinance No. 885-14, the Real Estate Tax Ordinance, setting the millage at 3.78 mills. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to approve the transfers of 2014 capital fund expenditures as recommended by the Finance Committee. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Vento, to approve the 2015 budget as presented final dated December 10, 2014. On a roll call vote. Messrs. Doyle, Dell and Seitz vote yes. Mr. Vento voted no. Motion carried.

Ray Seiler of 145 Miller Road said he has had water run off problems for twenty-eight years. Mr. Seiler hopes his problem will be corrected.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to approve Ordinance No. 886-14, providing a municipal guarantee for the 2015 Plum Municipal Authority Water and Sewer Revenue Bond issue. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Vento, to accept the commitment letter received for the 2015 Borough of Plum TAN Loan from Standard Bank and authorize the appropriate officers of the

Borough to execute a resolution incorporating the loan terms set forth in the commitment letter.
Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Vento, to accept the proposal for banking services from Standard Bank and to further appoint Standard Bank as the depository for the Borough of Plum funds.
Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to ratify the change orders at the Municipal Center-Phase 2 for the month of November as presented. Unanimously approved.

MAYOR'S REPORT – There was no report in Mayor Hrivnak's absence.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Intergovernmental Cooperative Committee with Plum School District – Mr. Dell said that the committee did not meet recently and a meeting would be scheduled for January.

Finance Committee – Mr. Dell reported the Borough had set up a small fund to recognize Borough employees for work done above and beyond their job descriptions. Mr. Dell recognized Jean Pedrosky and recommended a \$1,500 bonus.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Vento, to add to the agenda approving a \$1,500 bonus for Jean Pedrosky. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell. Seconded by Mr. Vento, to approve a bonus for Jean Pedrosky for \$1,500
Unanimously approved.

Mr. Dell recognized Jason Muggli for his work.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to add to the agenda approving a \$2,000 bonus for Jason Muggli. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mr. Vento, to approve a bonus for Jason Muggli for \$2,000.
Unanimously approved.

Personnel and Management – There was no report in Mr. Szarmach's absence.

Roads, Equipment and Grounds – There was no report in Mr. Taylor's absence.

Public Safety – Mr. Seitz did not have a report.

Planning and Economic Development – Mr. Vento reported the Planning and Building Inspection Department issued fifty permits in November; the department conducted sixty-one inspections for new

construction and occupancy transfer of single family homes and rental units and ten violation notices were issued. Mr. Vento wished everyone a happy holiday.

Park and Recreation – Mr. Seitz reported for Mr. Anderson that work has begun on the dugouts at the baseball fields, maintenance work at the football fields have been completed and the restrooms were closed for the season at the parks

Citizen's Comments – Non Agenda Items - None

Mr. Doyle announced that the planning commission would meet on Monday, December 15 at 6:30 p.m. Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Dell, to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Unanimously approved.



Maria Gingery
Assistant Borough Secretary