

COUNCIL MEETING – DECEMBER 9, 2019

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The Council of the Borough of Plum held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, December 9, 2019 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, Dave Majernik, Dave Odom, Mike Pastor and David Seitz. Mayor Schlegel was also present.

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

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

Motion was made by Mr. Majernik, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2019 council meeting. Unanimously approved.

RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE COMMUNITY

Mayor Schlegel commended Borough Manager, Mike Thomas, his staff; the Lagrotteria, Hedeem Electric, and the Public Works department for their work on the Christmas at Plum Creek event.

CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS – Marilyn Klingensmith of Plum Community Library announced the upcoming programs to be held at the library; the library will sponsor a gingerbread house contest and thanked the Borough for their continued support.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS – Mr. Doyle wished everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and Happy New Year.

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

CITIZENS COMMENTS AGENDA ITEMS- None

COUNCIL ACTIONS:

Motion was made by Mr. Odom, seconded by Mr. Anderson, to approve the proposed drainage easement payments as presented for the total amount of \$5,709. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Odom, seconded by Mr. Dern, to appoint Ronald Costa, Ricci Vigno, David Reynolds, Carlos Escalante and Carey Cole to the Plum Borough Storm Water Task Force. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Odom, seconded by Mr. Majernik, to approve an agreement with Bureau Veritas for building inspection/plan review services for the years 2020-2021 as presented. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Dern, to approve a collective bargaining agreement with the Plum Borough Public Works Department for the years 2020 through 2023 as presented. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Dern, seconded by Mr. Odom, to approve the 2019 Volunteer eligibility list for Earned Income Tax forgiveness. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to approve a request from the Pittsburgh Pirates to use the Plum Creek Park facilities for summer baseball camp program. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Majernik, seconded by Mr. Dern, to adopt Resolution No. 871-19 accepting the terms and conditions offered by Standard Bank for the 2020 Tax Anticipation Note. Unanimously approved.

MAYOR'S REPORT – Mayor Schlegel reported there were 876 calls in November, the ATS Speed Display trailer has been put away for the winter, the Police Department received a Bronze traffic safety award by the AAA Community Traffic Safety Committee for the past 15 years and this year they received a platinum award. Mayor Schlegel stated the officers thanked Dave Johnson and his wife for providing a Thanksgiving dinner to the officers on duty.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATIVE COMMITTEE WITH PLUM SCHOOL DISTRICT – Mr. Thomas reported they had not met.

FINANCE – Mr. Majernik reported the Borough recognized revenues of \$1,108,132 and expenditures of \$896,865; Real Estate is at 98% of budget; EIT revenues are at 94% of budget and it appears we will end the year over budget in revenues.

ROADS, EQUIPMENT AND GROUNDS - Mr. Pastor reported Phase I of East Oakmont stormwater project is complete; the pipe replacement at HPFD is complete; the stormwater project on Pine Valley and Tahoe is complete; paving is complete in Holiday and Boyce Park; streets in Regency and East Oakmont will be completed next year; inlet repairs have been completed on Garlow Blvd., and retention pond maintenance will begin weather permitting.

PUBLIC SAFETY – Brian Maloney of Plum EMS reported there were 236 calls in November, the department conducted Narcan training the School nurses and resource officer and the department observed Pivik and Center Elementary School's Internal Lockdowns.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/PLANNING – Mr. Odom reported there were 56 permits issued resulting in \$8,621.50 in revenues; the department met with the Municipal Authority Manager to discuss requests for new water meters and the Borough received nine applicants for the Storm Water Committee. Mr. Odom said that five were selected based on their experience. The Committee will have their first meeting tentatively on January 23, 2020.

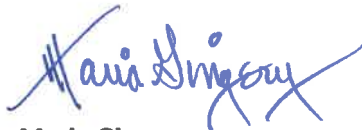
PARKS AND RECREATION – Mr. Anderson reported the 4th annual Christmas at Plum Creek was a huge success; the Borough will sponsor a bonfire on December 6th. Mr. Anderson announced that he has enjoyed serving on Council for the past eight years. Mr. Anderson said during that time, the Borough has expanded on their Parks and Recreation Programs.

Mr. Doyle announced the Planning Commission will meet on Monday, December 16, 2019.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS – NON-AGENDA ITEMS – Bill Chapla of 694 Pine Valley Drive asked if it were possible to get agendas for the work session, planning and zoning meetings. Mr. Chapla reported there is bad runoff from the McJunkin Farm construction. Mr. Chapla stated he was reaching out to the Allegheny County Conservation District regarding the outlet at Key West Drive. Mr. Chapla also requested that a paver parked in front of his home, be removed.

Trish Meek of 4032 New Texas Road passed out literature to Council Members urging them to support House Bill 1775. Ms. Meek asked Council to consider an application to DCNR for Watershed Action Plan.

Motion was made by Mr. Dern, seconded by Mr. Seitz, to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m.
Unanimously approved.



Maria Gingery
Assistant Borough Secretary