

EMSWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL
171 Center Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15202
Business Meeting Minutes – May 12, 2021 via ZOOM

Council Members Present – Jolene Bennett; Paul F. Getz; Jason Helfrich; Kevin Yurkovich

Council Members Absent – Brian Fashian; Daniel Lenz; Michael V. Mary, Jr.

Others Present – AmySue Lillie, Mayor; Robert L. McTiernan, Esq., Borough Solicitor;
Dennis J. Flynn, P.E., Borough Engineer; Cathy Jones, Borough Secretary

President Yurkovich called the May 12, 2021, business meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., the April 14, 2021, Business Meeting Minutes were considered for approval.

MINUTES APPROVAL

MOTION by Ms. Bennett, second by Mr. Getz to approve the April 14, 2021, Meeting Minutes as distributed. Motion unanimously carried by voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

MAYORS REPORT – AmySue Lillie, Mayor

Public Safety: OTPD – 108 calls; EVFC – 24 calls

Ohio Twp. Police Contract & Res. No. 2021-04 – The police contract with Ohio Twp. is ready to be renewed for a five-year term along with concurring Res. No. 2021-04. Motion by Ms. Bennett, second by Mr. Helfrich to renew the police contract with Ohio Twp. for a five-year term along with Res. 2021-04. Motion unanimously carried by roll call.

Dare to Dream Scholarship – Many applicants this year, the winner will be contacted and then publicly announced shortly.

Honor Banners – Raleigh Outdoor Advertising has informed the mayor that banner orders will be run in groups of ten to avoid additional fees; the Mayor is currently holding six orders with more applications to be submitted. Mayor Lillie thanked EVFC for resetting one of the banners that was recently damaged and Sean Adams for hanging the balance of the banners.

BOROUGH SOLICITOR REPORT – Robert L. McTiernan, Esq., Borough Solicitor

CoVid 19 - Sol. McTiernan submitted for council's review the most recent guidelines for facilities to open.

Short Term Rentals – Sol. McTiernan will be in contact with the zoning officer re the short-term rentals.

BOROUGH ENGINEER REPORT – Dennis J. Flynn, P.E., Gateway Engineer, P.E.

Sewer Lining, Year 15 – MOTION by Mr. Getz, second by Ms. Bennett to award SHACOG Sewer Lining, Year 15, Contract A, Spot Lining, to State Pipe in the amount of \$54,890; Borough share is \$10,450. Motion unanimously carried by roll call.

Sewer Lining, Year 15 – MOTION by Mr. Getz, second by Ms. Bennett to award SHACOG Sewer Lining, Year 15, Contract B, MH-MH, to Jet Jack in the amount of \$288,515; Borough share is \$11,775. Motion unanimously carried by roll call.

CCTV – MOTION by Mr. Getz, second by Ms. Bennett to award SHACOG CCTV, Year 20 & 21 to State Pipe in the amount of \$199,935; Borough share \$21,735. Motion unanimously carried by roll call.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BOROUGH PROPERTY – Ms. Bennett/Mr. Helfrich

Marmo Park Pavilion Rentals – MOTION by Ms. Bennett, second by Mr. Helfrich to open the pavilion at Marmo Park for rentals this season. Discussion: Proposal received from Adams Commercial Property Maintenance Service for \$35/visit to CoVid clean the restrooms after each rental. Pres. Yurkovich recommended restrooms be open during rentals only and the \$35 cleaning fee will be passed on to the renters. OTPD will continue to unlock the restrooms and lock in the evening on rental days. Mr. Getz suggested opening the restrooms and having the DPW clean restrooms during the week. Sol McTiernan clarified that the CDC states clean and sanitize daily. Motion unanimously carried by roll call to open the pavilion for rentals; hire Adams Comm. Property Maintenance at a rate of \$35/visit to clean the restrooms after a rental.

COMMUNITY EVENTS – Mr. Yurkovich

Avonworth Post #866 Memorial Day Service– Monday, May 31, 10 am at the Emsworth Borough Building.

PUBLIC WORKS – Mr. Yurkovich

Pres. Yurkovich reminded council there is a chain of command for public works; the committee is Messrs. Fashion and Lenz who should be contacted.

SR 65 PUMP STATION – Messrs. Getz/Lenz

No report this evening.

QVCOG – Messrs. Getz/Fashion

Mr. Getz announced the new executive director of the Quaker Valley COG is Patrick Conners.

Traveling Glass Recycling – QVCOG, in conjunction with PA Resource Council, will host a traveling glass recycle program. Information will be posted on the borough’s web site. First collection will be in Kilbuck May 29-June 3 and then travel to Aleppo, Quaker Valley High School, Bellevue, Sewickley and Avalon.

QVCOG \$200 Participation Fee for Joint Refuse Contract – MOTION by Mr. Getz, second by Mr. Helfrich to authorize \$200 for the participation fee for the QVCOG Joint Refuse Contract. Discussion: Mr. Getz explained with the turnover at the COG of the executive director and administrative assistant, a consultant was hired to develop the refuse and recycling specs with the fee split among the COG. Pres. Yurkovich stated how could anyone on council vote for this fee without knowing who the consultant is and what is the total fee. Pres. Yurkovich further stated his phone calls to the COG were not returned and the borough had not received any contract to review. Motion passed: Yea: Ms. Bennett; Mr. Helfrich; Mr. Getz; Nay: Mr. Yurkovich.

ROADS – Mr. Getz/Mr. Helfrich

No Report

SEWERS – Messrs. Getz/Fashion

G. Salandro Excavating LLC will be in the borough to complete work left from previous contractors.

FINANCE – Ms. Bennett

Bill List – MOTION by Ms. Bennett, second by Mr. Getz to approve the Bill List as presented with the following additions: Woltz & Wind \$455.36; HiTouch \$71.44. Motion unanimously carried by roll call.

OLD BUSINESS

Vacancy Board Appointment – One Letter of Interest received for the vacancy board position. MOTION by Mr. Getz, second by Ms. Bennett to appoint Don Cahill to the Vacancy Board for a term that expires January 31, 2022. Motion unanimously carried by roll call.

Avonworth Municipal Authority Appointment – MOTION by Ms. Bennett, second by Mr. Getz to re-appoint Kristin Bennett to the Avonworth Community Park Executive Board to a term that expires December 31, 2025. Motion unanimously carried by roll call.

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

ADJOURN

President Yurkovich Adjourned the May 12, 2021, council meeting at 7 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

CATHY JONES
Borough Secretary