EMSWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL
171 Center Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15202
Business Meeting Minutes – December 11, 2019

Council Members Present – Jolene Bennett; Brian J. Fashian; Carolyn Galante; Daniel Lenz; Kevin Yurkovich
Council Members Absent - Paul F. Getz; Jason Helfrich
Others Present – Amy Sue Lillie, Mayor; Robert L. McTiernan, Esq.; Borough Solicitor; Dennis J. Flynn, Borough Engineer; Cathy Jones, Borough Secretary

President Kevin Yurkovich called the December 11, 2019, business meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., after the Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call, Council Meeting Minutes were considered for approval.

MINUTES APPROVAL
MOTION by Mr. Fashian, second by Ms. Galante, to approve the November 13, 2019, Meeting Minutes as presented. Motion carried by voice vote; Ms. Bennett and Mr. Yurkovich abstained.

PROCLAMATION - Pres. Yurkovich read a proclamation and congratulated Coach Duke Johncour and the Avonworth Antelope Football team on their successful season.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

MAYORS REPORT – AmySue Lillie
Public Safety Calls: OTPD – 86 calls; EVFC – 16 calls
Honor banners are scheduled to be hung shortly.

BOROUGH SOLICITOR REPORT – Robert L. McTiernan, Esq., Borough Solicitor
Jul-Mar – The sewage claim has been resolved with West View Authority.
43 Courtney – This property has sold at sheriff sale.

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

- Gateway has submitted a punchlist of outstanding items to T.A. Robinson for the 2018 Road Program to be completed prior to final payment.
- DCNR Grant portion of Marmo Park Project is underway. Contractor, McElroy Paving, has submitted Payment App No. 3 for work completed to date; only punchlist items remain.
- Pre-construction meetings were held Nov. 7 for SHACOG O&M projects for Excavation and MS-MH Lining Repairs. Tentative excavation schedule is week of December 9.
- GROW Grant was granted an extended review for 2019. Additional data has been submitted to ALCOSAN.
- PA Small Water & Sewer Grant through DCED has a 12/13/2019 deadline. The pump station force main replacement project will be applied for under this grant.
- There were no overflows at the pump station in November.

MOTION by Mr. Fashian, second by Mr. Lenz to adopt Res. No. 2019-07, in support of the pump station force main upgrades for the 2019 PA Small Water and Sewer Grant. Motion unanimously carried by roll call.

MOTION by Mr. Fashian, second by Ms. Bennett to approve Payment App No. 3 in the amount of $16,411.75 to McElroy Paving for work done to date at Marmo Park. Motion unanimously carried by roll call.

COMMITTEE REPORTS
BOROUGH PROPERTY – Jolene Bennett
No report this evening.

COMMUNITY EVENTS – Carolyn Galante
Ms. Galante thanked Gateway Engineering for their check which covered entertainment expenses for Light-Up Night and thanked the community for the great turn-out on such a weather-inclement night.

PUBLIC Works – Brian Fashian
No Report this Evening.

FINANCE – Carolyn Galante
Bill List – MOTION by Ms. Galante, second by Ms. Bennett, to approve the bill list as presented with addition of Jet Jack in the amount of $16,411.75. Motion unanimously carried by roll call.

Ord. 1006 – MOTION by Ms. Galante, second by Ms. Bennett to adopt Ord. 1006 setting the millage at 4.955. Motion carried by roll call; Mr. Lenz voted nay.

2020 Budget – MOTION by Ms. Galante, second by Ms. Bennett to adopt the 2020 Budget in the amount of $2,268,652. Motion carried by roll call; Mr. Lenz voted nay.

OLD BUSINESS
Greenwood Avenue – Pres. Yurkovich requested Mr. Flynn check the work recently completed by West View Authority at Greenwood and Center Avenues, as it is unacceptable. Also on Greenwood, SR 65 to Center Avenue, needs to be inspected; in its current condition, DPW will not be able to plow this street.

Plumer Avenue – Pres. Yurkovich expressed frustration that work on Plumer Ave to install a new catch basin has not yet been completed by the contractor; project was approved at the end of summer. Pres. Yurkovich directed the borough secretary to send an email to the contractor for an update on completing this project.

Commercial Occupancy Permits – Borough Property, the Fire Marshall and Pres. Yurkovich will meet in January to begin the process of adopting legislation for commercial occupancy permits.

NEW BUSINESS
Lot Consolidation, 334 Plumer – MOTION by Mr. Lenz, second by Ms. Galante, to approve the lot consolidation of parcel Nos. 276-H-04 and 276-H-07 (Fischer-Jackson) upon the recommendation of the Planning Commission. Motion unanimously carried by roll call.

Reappointment - MOTION by Ms. Bennett, second by Mr. Lenz to reappoint William Rumpf to the Planning Commission to a term that expires 12/31/2023. Motion unanimously carried by roll call.

Act 172 – Eligibility was confirmed by EVFC and submitted to the Borough for Act 172 through Keystone Collections Group. Firefighters receiving eligibility are M. Adams, A, Boaks, J. Condre, W. Fisher, J. Gates, R. Gilmore, R. Hamilton, J. Koehler, R. Koehler, A. Kohl, J. Kohl, E. Miller, C. Mueller, E. Mueller, J. Weiss, K. Yurkovich.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
Mayor Lillie thanked Ms. Galante for her time spent on council and for her hours spent planning and executing the borough's community events.
Pres. Yurkovich echoed the sentiments and thanked Ms. Galante for her support of the fire company and her direction of the borough's community events.

Ms. Galante stated she had moved 35 years ago from the South Hills to Emsworth; raised her family here and was proud to say 11 Galante families are now in the Avonworth School District.

Ms. Galante presented the 2019 borough ornament and reported a small quantity is still available at a cost of $5 each.

ADJOURN
President Yurkovich Adjourned the December 11. 2019, council meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

CATHY JONES
Borough Secretary