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Regular Meeting
May 7, 2018
7:00 PM

1. Executive Session-Personnel

2. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Kate Abel

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Roll Call

Members:

President Kate Abel

Vice President Daniele Ventresca

Councilwoman Joanna Bouldin

Councilman Jeff Fabus

Councilman Drew Lehman

Councilman John Maggio

Councilwoman Jen Mazzocco

Staff:

Jason Walsh Mayor

Benjamin Estell Borough Manager

Mike Bisignani Chief of Police

Mat Davis Fire Chief

John Rushford Solicitor

5. Appointment

Walsh briefed on the Junior Council Person Program. Last month the Principal of Keystone Oaks nominated Linda Washburn.

1. 2018-75 : Appoint Junior Council Person(Requested by Benjamin Estell, Borough Council)
Adopted

6. Registered Comments from the Public

None

7. Committee Reports

Property, Supplies and Public Works: Fabus briefed on the April meeting. Fabus mentioned working with the Strategic Planning Committee regarding the Off-Leash Dog Park, bathrooms at Dormont Pool, splash park at Dormont Pool, a concrete slide at the park, upgrades at Castle Park, the gym, bathrooms at Pop Murray Field, and minor upgrades at the Recreation Center. This past weekend Council had a tour of the Borough which included the pool area, the two areas for the Off-Leash Park, Castle Park, Beggs Snyder Park, and the Public Works building. Fabus briefed on the two locations of the Off-Leash Park, the tennis courts on Memorial Drive and the hillside where the memorial used to be on Memorial Drive. Fabus asked for Estell's approval for the Off-Leash Park to be located at the tennis courts on Memorial Drive. Fabus mentioned Jamie Keeney from the Boosters wants to do a mural on the third base dugout at Pop Murray.

Finance and Legal: Fabus mentioned the next meeting is May 8, 2018. Fabus stated he plans to move the meeting back to coincide with the Property, Supplies and Public Works meetings starting in June. Fabus said there is about \$4,000,000 in the bank. The Borough has collected about 49% of its revenue for the year and has spent approximately 27% of its expenses for the year which is right in line with previous years.

Planning, Sustainability and Inclusion: Bouldin briefed on the April 17, 2018 meeting. Bouldin addressed key elements of the plan which include one on one informational interviews with core stakeholders, a community need survey or assessment, research into regional and municipal trends and best practices, ongoing education for Council and the public on core issues, and utilize the committees' structure to discuss and evaluate the

research and data collected to come up with a plan. Bouldin mentioned submitting an article for the summer newsletter introducing the two new interns. Jim Price at Sustainable Pittsburgh will be attending the next meeting on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 at 6:00 pm.

Recreation and Community Affairs: Ventresca briefed on the Coffee with Council Meeting in April. Ventresca thanked all those that attended. Ventresca mentioned there was a Dormont Day meeting held on April 23, 2018. Ventresca briefed on the Junior Achievement event with the school district on May 21, 2018 and is looking for more volunteers. The next meeting is May 14, 2018; topics include Employee Appreciation movie, Christmas events and Bench Program.

Business District Relations and Development: Lehman cancelled the May 8, 2018 meeting. Lehman mentioned the Port Authority will be holding two meetings tomorrow at the Dormont Public Library from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm and 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm regarding stationary planning of the Dormont Junction Station.

Public Safety and Building & Code Enforcement: Mazzocco briefed on the Fleet Management Plan. Mazzocco mentioned the fire alarm and potential renovations for the Fire Department, the sale of the ladder truck which has been completed, new members of the Fire Department, and a tour of the police station to note issues and repairs. The next meeting is May 21, 2018. There will be an Open House at the fire station in June to explore some areas that need some renovations, inspection of the equipment and gear, and summer fire safety.

Davis stated the Fire Department responded to 26 calls for April. Davis mentioned the Salvation Army placed the Fire Alarm Program on hold due to supply depletion. Davis stated one Fire Department applicant has started and four more applicants are still in the process.

Bisignani stated the Police Department responded to 139 Calls for Service for April. Bisignani mentioned the police department participated in the National Drug Take Back Day with CVS which collected 81 pounds of unused prescription drugs.

8. Comments from the Mayor

Walsh briefed on his meeting with the Superintendent of Keystone Oaks regarding PennDot's plan for West Liberty Avenue and the Dell Avenue corridor. Walsh attended the Community Safety Quorum on May 1, 2018. Walsh briefed on the MRTSA meeting regarding a 24% increase, to be voted on next month. The police testing was in April. There were 12 applicants, nine attended, seven passed the physical and the written, all seven will interview with the Civil Service Commission on May 8, 2018. The top three will have a background check then be presented to Council for interviews.

9. Council President's Report

Abel briefed on the Connect Congress Meeting on April 14, 2018. The next Connect Congress Meeting is in Dormont on Thursday, May 17, 2018 at 10:00 am in the Recreation Center. Abel stated Dormont Main Street has rebranded to Dormont Community Development Corporation based off the 501c3. Abel mentioned they are looking for volunteers for various committees; Marketing, Social Media, Community Engagement, Fundraising, Business Relations and Beautification. A Taste in Dormont will be September 22, 2018 in the pool parking lot. The first Passive Park event will be May 12, 2018 and there will be a temporary fence in place until the permanent fence is up. Estell briefed on the type of fencing to be installed. Abel asked Ventresca to add the re-naming of Passive Park to the agenda. Abel thanked Beth Bachman for her work in the Community Engagement Fair and wants to plan another event in the fall.

10. Borough Manager's Report

Estell briefed on the upcoming Port Authority meeting on May 8, 2018 from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm and 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm at the Dormont Public Library regarding the Dormont Junction space. Estell announced Code Enforcement will be monitoring noise complaints and grass and weed complaints. Estell and Davis stated Code Enforcement will be enforcing address numbers to be visible on properties.

Estell mentioned the interns will start on Monday, May 14, 2018. Estell briefed on the contract with Roadbotics to analyze the conditions of the roadways, which will rate the roads one to five to help with future road work and track the pace of deterioration of different areas. Dormont will be giving it's GIS information for the program.

Estell will be attending the SHACOG meeting on Wednesday, May 9, 2018 to discuss bid specs for the garbage bids. Estell thanked everyone who attended the facility tour and the staff for their hard work.

11. Consent Agenda

- a. Motion to Accept the Council Meeting Minutes from April 2, 2018(Requested by Vickie McGurk, Borough Council) **Adopted**
- b. Warrant List April 2018(Requested by Sherri Pruce, Administration)
- c. Motion to Approve Manager's Report for April 2018(Requested by Benjamin Estell, Borough Council) **Adopted**
- d. Motion to Approve Solicitor's Report for April 2018(Requested by Benjamin Estell, Borough Council) **Adopted**
- e. Engineer's Report(Requested by Wayne McVicar, Administration) **Adopted**
- f. Motion to Accept the Police Report for March 2018(Requested by Vickie McGurk, Borough Council) **Adopted**
- g. Motion to Accept the Police Department Report for April 2018(Requested by Vickie McGurk, Borough Council) **Adopted**
- h. Building and Code Enforcement Monthly Report(Requested by Monica Dahlkemper, Administration)
- i. Motion to Accept the Tax Collector Report for March 2018(Requested by Vickie McGurk, Borough Council) **Adopted**
- j. Motion to Accept the April 2018 Zoning Report(Requested by Kristin Hullihen, Borough Council) **Adopted**
- k. Motion to Award a West Liberty Crosswalk Traffic Engineering Study(Requested by Wayne McVicar, Administration) **Adopted**
- l. Award of 2018 Road & Alley Resurfacing Project(Requested by Wayne McVicar, Administration) **Adopted**
- m. Motion to Approve Summer Staff Hires as Recommended by Community Events and Communications Coordinator Beth Bachman(Requested by Benjamin Estell, Borough Council) **Adopted**
- n. Motion to Approve Hiring of Joseph F. Kazalas and Randy Christopher Penu as Summer Laborers for Department of Public Works(Requested by Benjamin Estell, Borough Council) **Adopted**
- o. Motion to Approve the Purchase and Installation of a Fire Alarm System for the Dormont Fire Station at a Cost Not to Exceed \$7,500.(Requested by Benjamin Estell, Borough Council) **Adopted**
- p. Motion to Approve Victoria Salemme as a Volunteer with the Dormont Fire Department(Requested by Benjamin Estell, Borough Council) **Adopted**
- q. Motion to Approve Service Agreement with Vanguard Cleaning Systems for \$3,062 Per Month(Requested by Benjamin Estell, Borough Council) **Adopted**

- r. Motion to Approve the Purchase and Financing of a 2018 Ford F-550 XL 4X4 DRW Regular Cab, with Plow, Hydraulics, Spreader and Equipment, from Woltz & Wind Ford, Inc., for a Total of \$78,825.00, Based on COSTARS Contract 25-032.(Requested by Benjamin Estell, Borough Council) **Adopted**
- s. Motion to Terminate the Contract with the Borough of Green Tree to Use the Borough of Dormont's Jail for Prisoners and Authorize Proper Notice of the Same to the Borough of Green Tree(Requested by Benjamin Estell, Borough Council) **Adopted**
- t. Motion to Terminate the Contract with the Borough of Green Tree for the Use of the Borough of Dormont's Street Sweeper and to Authorize Proper Notice of the Same to the Borough of Green Tree(Requested by Benjamin Estell, Borough Council) **Adopted**
- u. Motion to Approve Expenditure of Up to \$10,000 to Weavertown Environmental Group for the Safe Disposal of Chemicals and Paints from the Public Works Department(Requested by Benjamin Estell, Borough Council) **Adopted**

12. Action Items

- a. Motion to Adopt Resolution 7, 2018(Requested by Vickie McGurk, Borough Council) **Adopted**
- b. Motion to Approve Proclamation 4, 2018, a PROCLAMATION OF THE BOROUGH OF DORMONT, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, HONORING THE LIFE AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF FRED MCFEELY ROGERS, AND RECOGNIZING JUNE 2018 AS "WON'T YOU BE MY NEIGHBOR?" MONTH.(Requested by Benjamin Estell, Borough Council) **Adopted**
- c. Motion to Approve Concessions Contract with Muddy Cup for 2018(Requested by Benjamin Estell, Borough Council) **Adopted**

13. Discussion Items

Maggio addressed his concerns and disagreement with having the Stormwater Authority.

Fabus briefed on the Stormwater Authority basin clean out last year, the Louisiana Avenue project, and the Athens Alley project.

14. Citizens' Comments

None

15. Adjournment

The meeting was closed at 7:42 PM

- a. **Motion to: MotionAdopted**