

Borough of Pitcairn
Council Meeting
Minutes
November 11, 2019
7:00 pm

Meeting called to order – President Michael Tobias
Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call:

Doug Crothers
Kevin Dick
Cammeo Farally
Dona Galia
Lorraine Myers
Jim Rullo
Mike Tobias
Mayor Stevick was absent.
All others present.

Mr. Tobias thanked all Veterans who have served and are currently serving our country. He announced that Borough Council held an advertised 2020 Budget Meeting at 5:00 pm this evening.

Mrs. Galia motioned to advertise a Budget Meeting on November 25, 2019 at 6:00 to be immediately followed by the Workshop Meeting. Seconded by Mr. Rullo; motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Myers motioned to approve Minutes from October 14 and October 28, 2019 Borough Council Meetings. Seconded by Mr. Crothers; motion carried unanimously.

Part Time Police Officer, Todd Ruggiero asked to address Council and Mayor, thanking Council and the Mayor for the opportunity to serve the Pitcairn community for over ten years. He has taken a full time position with UPMC Police Department.

Citizen Comment

There was none.

Mayor Betsy Stevick

Personnel – Dona Galia

Mrs. Galia motioned to approve attendance to Allegheny County Boroughs Association General Membership Meeting on December 12. Seconded by Mrs. Myers; motion carried unanimously.

Streets – Mike Tobias

Mr. Dick motioned to approve payment request #1 from Sciarretti Paving Company for Wood Street Reconstruction in the amount of \$25,071.54, to be paid from CITF grant award. Seconded by Mr. Rullo; motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Dick motioned to designate the Lions Club as the community group to process the military banners. Seconded by Mrs. Galia; motioned carried unanimously.

Council is invited to attend a Meeting on December 4th, 2:00 pm, at the Monroeville Municipal Building with Norfolk Southern to discuss possible impacts or questions regarding their Vertical Clearance project.

Parks and Recreation – Cammeo Farally

Mrs. Farally announced December 1st as Park and Recreation's Old Fashioned Christmas including a parade, little baby cows with antlers, hayrides, bonfire and Santa. The event is free to the Community.

Mr. Tobias mentioned the Pitt students offered to come back next year on Martin Luther King Day for an indoor project. As Mr. Tobias will no longer be a member of Council, he encouraged the other members to accept Pitt's offer and come up with a project: the Park Building, the Fire Hall... Lisa Petrosky offered to take that on and think of ideas.

Finance and Economic Development – Jim Rullo

Mr. Rullo motioned to pay bills as presented. Seconded by Mrs. Galia; motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rullo also thanked the Veterans for their service.

Health and Welfare – Kevin Dick

Mr. Dick announced Wilkinsburg Penn Joint Water Authority will be replacing water lines and service connections along Pennsylvania Avenue and Hill Street in approximately two weeks.

Electric – Lorraine Myers

Mrs. Myers motioned to approve right of way request from Crown Castle to attach a communications antenna to pole at 455 Agatha Street (Propel School). All fees and permits will be collected per Pitcairn's existing pole attachment requirements. An electric meter will be installed. Seconded by Mr. Dick; motion carried unanimously. Ms. Dietz pointed out the new ordinance almost ready for advertising will impose new requirements for such antennae.

Public Safety – Doug Crothers

Mr. Crothers motioned to approve offer of employment to part time Police Officer, Leanne Thomas. Seconded by Mr. Rullo; motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Crothers motioned to accept the resignation of part time Police Officer of Todd Ruggerio. Seconded by Mrs. Galia; motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor's Report

Mr. Witherel did not have anything for the public meeting; items were addressed during Executive Session.

Engineer's Report

Don Black highlighted his report: grants were applied for Third Street stormwater improvements, Dirty Camp Run Flood Control Project. The Sixth St. sanitary sewers project was awarded for \$34,190. It was bid out; lowest bidder Eveready was \$90,865. Bid was high. If you accept the grant, your share will be \$56,675. You need to respond to the COG. Council agreed to rebid it. Mr. Black: it is in of the repair, not an emergency. He will check with the COG if permitted to bid it out in Spring. The Center Avenue Slide was awarded \$525,000. The design build company will come in after Garvin Bower who submitted proposal in Council's packet tonight. Mr. Dick asked Mr. Black if that is his recommendation. Mr. Black: yes. **Mr. Dick motioned to permit Garvin Bower Beitko to move forward with Center Avenue core testing in preparation for the repair. Seconded by Mrs. Myers; motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Dick asked Mr. Black if the Borough will be getting money back for the new municipal building project. Mr. Black: after a final change order, there was a reduction in the final cost of \$79,798. You have not paid that, it will be less that.

Deb Marto addressed Mr. Black that Center Avenue is dipping further down than where it is marked off, past the stop sign. Mr. Black promised to look at that.

Borough Manager's Report:

Ms. Dietz read aloud the bank fund balances.

Police Chief Report

Nothing this evening.

Mrs. Farally motioned to Adjourn at 7:30 pm. Seconded by Mr. Rullo; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Annette Dietz