

September 6, 2022

The Telford Borough Council meeting held this date was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Vice-President Bill Ashley with the following Council members in attendance: Carolyn Crouthamel, Spencer Kulhanjian, John Taylor and Emiline Weiss. Also present were Mayor Jerry Guretse, Public Works Director Gary Yoder, Police Chief Randall Floyd, Solicitor Andrew Knox, Recording Secretary Diane Windfelder, Assistant Fire Chief Robert Sparks, Officer Tori Adams, family members and friends of Tori Adams, Bob Jacobus, Wendy Leshinskie and Dale Nice. Council member Jeffrey Maxwell was absent. In the audience was Souderton Borough Council Daryl Littlefield, Tracy Burke (President), Julie Munden, Courtnee Wampole & Donna Rogers and their Mayor Dan Yocum.

The invocation was given by Jerry Guretse, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

The Borough Council appointed Robert Jacobus as a replacement for Miles Arnott, due to Mr. Arnott's resignation letter at the last meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSIONS:

Mr. Ashley reported that Borough Council had two executive sessions on August 18th and August 23rd to discuss matters of personnel and real estate.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Mr. Ashley deferred the approval of the August minutes until the next council meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

A Crouthamel/Taylor motion carried unanimously (6-0) approving the Treasurer's Reports for the month of August 2022.

Craig Davies reported that we sold a bench seat for \$110.00, rear split seat for \$21.00, and a tire for \$2.00 on Municibid and asked for approval for these items to be awarded to the individual. A Weiss/ Kulhanjian motion carried unanimously (6-0) awarding the items on Municibid.

Mr. Davies also referenced that we will be receiving the other half of the ARPA Funds in the amount of \$256,935.36.

MAYOR'S REPORT: A verbal report was provided by Mayor Jerry Guretse.

Officer Tori Adams was sworn in as Corporal of the Telford Borough Police Department by Mayor Jerry Guretse.

POLICE REPORT: We received a written monthly report for the file.

FIRE REPORT: We received a written monthly report for the file.

LIBRARY REPORT: No written report for August.

Wendy Leshinskie reported that there is no monthly report due to vacations.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: We received a written monthly report for the file.

BUILDING OFFICIAL'S REPORT: We received a written monthly report for the file.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: A verbal report was provided by Solicitor Andrew Knox

ENGINEER'S REPORT: We received a written monthly report for the file.

COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE:

Wendy Leshinskie asked the council to look at Keeler Service Station located on Main Street, Keeler's was told that he was only allowed to have one tractor trailer with tires in it and now another tractor trailer has shown up. Chief Floyd indicated that he will be paying Keeler a visit to discuss.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE:

A Weiss/Crouthamel motion carried unanimously (6-0) authorizing payment of bills for the month of August 2022 in the amount of \$287,084.67.

A Taylor/ Kulhanjian motion carried unanimously (6-0) appointing Bill Ashley as president and Emiline Weiss as Vice President.

A Crouthamel/Weiss motion carried unanimously (6-0) to adopt the Minimum Municipal Obligation for the Non-Uniform Pension plan for the year 2022 with the amount being \$281,308.00 and the Police Pension with the amount being \$63,482.00.

For the October meeting, Mr. Ashley requested that the Finance & Administration Committee provide a draft outlining the policies for early closures and other changes in business hours for the Borough Hall and office staff.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE: Nothing at this time.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE: Nothing at this time

PUBLIC WORKS/BUILDINGS & PLANT COMMITTEE:

A written report was provided containing the minutes from a meeting held to review the performance of the new Borough Hall's Heating, Ventilating, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) system.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

Bill Ashley requested that we have the Public Safety Committee hold a meeting on the status of the siren on the old Borough Hall Building.

DEVELOPMENT AND CULTURE COMMITTEE: Mr. Taylor

A Crouthamel/Taylor motion carried unanimously (6-0) authorizing the request of Maura Shuttleworth for the use of the parking lot on October 23, 2022 for her 501(c)(3)/non-profit cat rescue.

Mr. Taylor reported that the October fest will be held on October 15th instead of October 8th. Mr. Taylor also indicated that Telford Marketplace is looking into having a monthly night market on November 5th and December 10th. He also reported that Telford Happenings acknowledged all the hard work from Gary Yoder, Pam Baker, Wendy Leshinskie, and Edi Baker. Gary Yoder & Pam Baker received honorary Plaques and this year Edie Baker and Wendy Leshinskie were awarded honorary plaques for their contributions to our communities.

For the October meeting, Mr. Ashley requested that the Development and Culture Committee provide a draft policy for the use of the Telford Marketplace by groups/organizations other than the Telford Happenings organization.

OTHER BUSINESS:

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Borough Council entered Executive Session at 8:30 pm to discuss matters of personnel and real estate.

Borough Council closed Executive Session at 9:38 pm.

No action was taken

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 pm by a Crouthamel/Taylor motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Windfelder

Recording Secretary