

REGULAR MEETING

WENESDAY

7:30 P.M.

JANUARY 6, 2021

This regular meeting of Council was called to order on the above-stated date at the above-stated time after the Pledge of Allegiance by President Mark D. Tortorice with the following Members of Council present:

RC-1 PRESENT: BRYAN MYERS, DOUG JUNECKO, GREG LOMBARDO, KENNETH HRESKO, MARK TORTORICE, DEBORAH THOMAS, ROBERT BETTERS

Also present were, Mayor Hranics, Solicitor Patricia McGrail, Malisa Migliori, Borough Manager, Don Glenn, Engineer and Rebecca Matlos Jr. Councilperson.

MOTION: Mrs. Thomas moved, seconded by Mr. Junecko, to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on December 2, 2020 at 7:30 P.M. and the Special Meeting held on December 21, 2020 at 6:00 P.M.

Mr. Tortorice announced an Executive session meeting was held this evening to go over personnel issues.

RC-2 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

COMMENTS FROM CITIZEN:

Anita Basa submitted a letter to Council to be read at the meeting. Letter was read by the Borough Manager. Her letter is a part of this record. Her complaint and information was regarding cats and the neighbor she's having a problem with. She also wanted to have on record the visit from Donna Prislak and Officer Adams. She feels she's being threatened.

Solicitor McGrail stated she can't give a private citizen legal advice but wants to respond to some of the letter. The officer should have been there to keep the peace and if he felt the situation escalated then he would have issued citation at that time not after the fact. The proper action is to file the complaint with the magistrate as she has in the past. Solicitor McGrail clarified the Borough is not adopting an ordinance for cats to roam free on private property. She also would not recommend that to Council. If her property is being damaged due to a cat in her yard then she should go to the Magistrate or the District Attorney's office. The Borough can consider adopting an ordinance to manage feral cats, but we have not worked on this at this time.

Mayor Hranics said we are not abandoning the TNR program and we are looking into other alternatives. Malisa Migliori said we are taking calls and complaints with names and addresses where there's any cat problems.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT: Malisa Migliori stated it was a slow month. She deferred to Mr. Hresko stated there was a garbage issue on Romine and a letter was sent. Malisa said she spoke with the owner and he stated this was a whole house clean out and he will be getting a dumpster in place.

ENGINEERS REPORT: Gave his report at the caucus meeting.

MAYORS REPORT: Mayor Hranics stated he swore in the 2021 officers for Vigilant Hose Company last and wished them a successful and safe year. He also thanked the American Legion, elves, Rebecca Matlos our Jr. Council person, Santa Claus all the volunteers for the virtual Santa workshop. Mr. Myers also thanked Mayor Hranics and commended Rebecca and the Mayor along with the Legion and volunteers for all their help. He said she showed great leadership skills. Rebecca thanked everyone for their help.

The Mayor had the following to report for January, 2021. The police had 98 calls in December, they were 19 traffic citations, 6 non-traffic citations, 10 assisting other departments and 22 calls assisting E.M.S., th0e balance of the calls were for various reasons such as animal complaints, disabled vehicle, disturbance, etc. The Mayor also reported the mileage on the 2013 Ford Taurus was 238 and no expenses the mileage on the 2017 Ford Explorer was 2,293 and no expenses, mileage on the 2019 Ford Explorer was 741 and no expenses.

SOLICITORS REPORT: Solicitor Patricia McGrail had nothing to report other than what was reported in the Workshop

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

CHAIRMAN OF STREET COMMITTEE: Mr. Lombardo, thanked the public works department and working on the holiday to keep our residents safe. They did a great job. Malisa Migliori also said she received a visit from Annette and Jacklyn Sobchak and they were so thankful for the great job our public works did on the streets during the holiday storms. She said she will be buying them lunch and sending it to them next week.

He also said we had a few vehicle incidents due to the snow.

MOTION: Mr. Lombardo moved, seconded by Mr. Hresko, "To authorize and ratify repairs to the Ford F550 by Shorkey Auto in the amount of \$7,434.13."

RC-3 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Lombardo moved, seconded by Mr. Betters, "To accept the monthly reports for December 2020."

RC-4 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

CHAIRMAN OF RECREATION COMMITTEE: Mr. Myers, he thanked everyone again and stated the recreation center is really coming along. Looking forward to a grand opening.

MOTION: Mr. Myers moved, seconded by Mr. Junecko, "To ratify payment to Lawson Excavating in the amount of \$3,063.75 less the 5% retainage, as recommended by Don Glenn Engineering and to be reimbursed by 2018 GTRP Grant."

RC-5 Yeas: Unanimous Motion Carried,

MOTION: Mr. Myers moved, seconded by Mr. Hresko, “To ratify payment to Lawson Excavating in the amount of \$3,040.00, less the 5% retainage, as recommended by Con Glenn Engineering and to be reimbursed by the 2019 CITF-C013.”

RC-6 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Myers moved, seconded b Mr. Betters, “To ratify payment to Yarborough Construction in the amount of \$9,950.00 for the removal of the concrete bleachers at Romine Park, as recommended by Don Glenn Engineering, to be paid from the US Steel Project Funding.”

RC-7 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Myers moved, seconded by Mr. Junecko, “To have Glenn Engineering proceed with project plan for walking trail around Romine Park and Recreation Center and make application to applicable grants.”

RC-8 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

He thanked Mr. Tortorice for being an advocate for the recreation and everything he’s done with the US Steel grant projects. Mr. Tortorice thanked everyone for all the combined efforts of everyone including Don Glenn and Malisa for putting everything together. Mr. Hresko also thanked Malisa and Don for getting all the grants.

CHAIRMAN OF POLICE/FIRE/PUBLIC SAFETY: Mr. Hresko, gave the fire report for December. He thanked Brandon Hale and all the fire fighters for all their efforts and congratulated all the members.

MOTION: Mr. Hresko moved, seconded by Mrs. Thomas, “To adopt Resolution No. 2021-002, a resolution of the Borough of Port Vue, Allegheny County, which updates the current Emergency Management Plan.”

RC-9 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Hresko moved, seconded by Mrs. Thomas, “To accept the 2021 Vigilant Hose Company No. 1 Officers, Trustees and Directors.”

RC-10 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Hresko moved, seconded by Mr. Junecko, “To approve additional compensation to the Borough Manager in the amount of \$3,000.00, for 2020 only, based on meritorious job performance and evaluation by Council.”

RC-11 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

Mr. Hresko asked about the Allegheny County Banner Community. Malisa stated that she received an email the program is suspended for the year, but if you were certified last year then you automatically are certified for 2021. She went on to say the ALOM Spring conference has been rescheduled until June 17, 18 and 19.

CHAIRMAN OF PROPERTY/DEMOLITION COMMITTEE: Mr. Junecko, reported on \$60,000.00 CDBG 46, demolition grant for 310 Port Vue Avenue, 315 Crossland Avenue, 1113 Burbank Road and 1823 Trimble Avenue.

Emergency repairs were done at the Borough garage and the wall and salt shed.

MOTION: Mr. Junecko moved, seconded by Mr. Hresko, "To ratify payment to Yarborough Construction in the amount of 46,062.00 for the emergency repair of the Garage Wall as recommended by Don Glenn Engineering, from the Capital Reserve Fund"

RC-12 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Junecko moved, seconded by Mr. Myers, "To award low bidder Elvis Electric for the Camera Monitoring System interior and exterior for Municipal Area from the US Steel Project Fund in the amount of \$19,543.00 as recommended by Don Glenn Engineering."

RC-13 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Junecko moved, seconded by Mr. Hresko, "To ratify hiring of Zachary Betters, full time Public Works Employee with successful completion of the 90 day probationary period as of January 1, 2021."

RC-14 Yeas: Mr. Myers, Mr. Junecko, Mr. Lombardo, Mr. Hresko, Mr. Tortorice, Mrs. Thomas

Abstained: Mr. Betters - Motion Carried

CHAIRMAN OF SANITATION: Mr. Betters, reported on the 2020 Dodge, motor leaking took up to A&H Equipment and repair was taken care of under warranty. He stated the public works department worked through most of the holiday and that's what they do. He stated the Department takes pride in keeping the roads safe and clear. He also gave the garbage collections for November.

MOTION: Mr. Betters moved, seconded by Mrs. Thomas, "To ratify payment in the amount of \$823.71 to Flashover Fire Apparatus and Equipment for hooks for the Fire Truck, from the Fire Fund."

RC-15 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Betters moved, seconded by Mrs. Thomas, "To ratify all departmental and inter-governmental transfers during the month of December 2020."

RC-16 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

CHAIRPERSON OF FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE: Mrs. Thomas, gave the December tax collection report in the amount of \$5,467.77. The tax collector will prepare to turn over the uncollected balance to Keystone Collections. She thanked Shelia DiGiorgio for the report and collections. The Manager and staff will be undertaking the audit within the next month or so.

MOTION: Mrs. Thomas moved, seconded by Mr. Hresko, "To adopt Resolution No. 2021-001, authorizing the payment of bills and wages incurred during the month December, 2020."

RC-17 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Lombardo moved, seconded by Mrs. Thomas, nominate Kenneth Hresko as Council Vice President."

RC-18 Yeas: Mr. Lombardo, Mr. Hresko, Mr. Tortorice, Mrs. Thomas, Mr. Betters
Nays: Mr. Myers, Mr. Junecko

Motion Carried

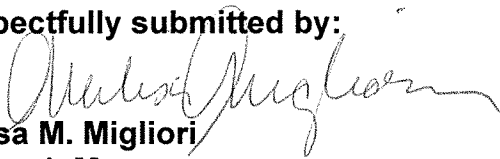
Jr. Council Person-Rebecca Matlos reported that school is starting on January 18th and very excited about that. She also thanked everyone who helped with the Santa workshop.

Mr. Tortorice, Acknowledged and thanked Vigilant Hose Co 2021 Executive officers, Trustee's, Board of Directors and Line officers. He also asked everyone to be diligent when it comes to Covid 19. Please practice social distancing and wear your masks.

MOTION: Mr. Lombardo moved, seconded by Mr. Junecko, "Motion to adjourn."

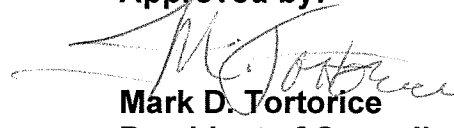
RC-19 Yeas: Unanimous - Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted by:



Malisa M. Migliori
Borough Manager

Approved by:



Mark D. Tortorice
President of Council