

Johnsonburg Borough
Regular Meeting
August 13, 2018
4:00 p.m.

Call to Order, Silent Prayer & Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Councilmen Alfred J. Maletto, James R. DePanfilis, Ron King, James DeAngelo, Louie Imbrogno, Mayor Jack Fowler, Borough Secretary Rachel Kilhoffer, Police Chief John Clopp, Superintendent Tom Imbrogno, Code Enforcement Officer Ryan Miller, and Johnsonburg Municipal Authority Manager Lisa Sorg were present. Councilman Stephanie Carnessali, Solicitor Elizabeth Feronti and Fire Chief Robert Dickey were excused. Junior Council Person Makaila Carnessali and Councilman Scott Cherry were absent.

At this time, President Maletto requested an executive session to discuss personnel. A motion was made by Councilman King and seconded by Imbrogno to move into executive session at 4:02 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilman Imbrogno and seconded by King to return to regular session at 4:12 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

President Maletto stated that, during executive session, personnel were discussed and no decisions were made.

Minutes: A motion was made Councilman DePanfilis and seconded by Councilman Imbrogno to accept the minutes of the regular meeting held on July 9, 2018. Motion carried unanimously.

Guests: None present.

Monthly Reports

Mayor: Mayor Fowler stated that he would like the borough to recognize the achievement of the Elk McKean All Star Little League team on becoming the East Champions in the World Series. A motion was made by Councilman King and seconded by Councilman Imbrogno to allow Mayor Fowler to spend up to \$500 on an award for the team. Motion carried unanimously.

Police: Monthly report is on file. Chief Clopp reviewed his report which included the following:

- Part-time Officer Benjamin Lobdell has resigned as he will be moving out of the area.
- He applied for a TRACS software grant.

Fire Chief: Monthly report is on file.

Superintendent: Monthly report is on file. Superintendent Imbrogno explained to Council the continuing problem with the storm sewer lines along Hickory St. After discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Imbrogno and seconded by Councilman King to approve the quote of \$1,150 from All About Trees to remove the four trees along Hickory St. causing problems with the storm sewers. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Committees: President Maletto reviewed the committee reports for the month. A brief discussion was held on the slum and blight committee.

Finance & Bills for Payment: This month's bills include: General Fund - \$10,307.46, Community Center Fund - \$4,067.56, Borough Equipment Fund - \$6,025.28, Highway Aid Fund - \$1,320.94, and Community Improvement Fund - \$875.00. It was moved by Councilman DePanfilis and seconded by Councilman King to pay the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor: Solicitor Feronti was excused; however, two topics were listed for discussion. The Dangerous Structure Ordinance was tabled due to concerns over wording. The Harrison Ave. easement with Ed Redmond was discussed. The public works committee and Engineer Ryan Miller will meet with Mr. Redmond to discuss his proposed changes to the easement.

Engineer & Code Enforcement Report: Monthly report is on file. Ryan Miller reviewed his report with further discussion on the Harrison Ave. realignment project, 2018 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) requests and his Johnsonburg Municipal Authority storm water review for their new water treatment plant plans.

Municipal Authority: Minutes are on file. Manager Lisa Sorg reported that the municipal authority is still working on getting permits for the new plant.

Recreation Board: Minutes are on file.

Junior Council Person: JCP Carnessali was absent.

Old Business: President Maletto and Secretary Kilhoffer gave an update of the feral cat program.

President Maletto stated that the public works committee will meet with the street crew to discuss a paving project and to look into financing.

New Business: (1) A motion was made by Councilman DePanfilis and seconded by Councilman Imbrogno to pass an ordinance designating R2 zoning districts in the 600 block of Market St. and Center St. and at the intersection of Samsel Ave. and SR219. Motion carried unanimously. These areas were not previously designated on the borough's zoning map.

(2) A motion was made by Councilman King and seconded by Councilman Imbrogno to raise part-time recreation director Deana Benson's rate to \$10.00 per hour. Motion carried unanimously.

(3) A motion was made by Councilman DePanfilis and seconded by Councilman Imbrogno to advertise for sale the borough's street sweeper with a minimum bid of \$10,000.00. The sale will go forward with the street superintendent's discretion if there are no problems with the equipment. Motion carried unanimously.

(4) A motion was made by Councilman Imbrogno and seconded by Councilman King to grant a waiver of the open container ordinance to the American Legion on Market St. for their annual picnic in September. Motion carried unanimously.

(5) A motion was made by Councilman King and seconded by Councilman Imbrogno to set the Halloween parade date as October 27th and the Christmas parade date as November 18th. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Councilman Imbrogno and seconded by Councilman DePanfilis to adjourn the meeting at 5:04 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.


Rachel Kilhoffer
Secretary