

Johnsonburg Borough
Regular Meeting
July 9, 2018
4:00 p.m.

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

Minutes: A motion was made Councilman Imbrogno and seconded by Councilman Cherry to accept the minutes of the regular meeting held on June 11, 2018. Motion carried unanimously.

Guests: None present.

Monthly Reports

Mayor: Mayor Fowler had nothing to report.

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

- He attended a Heroes of Faith program at the First Baptist Church.
- The paperwork for the Act 13 mini-grant has been completed.

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 in the west end on town particularly on Hickory St., Willow St. and Grove St. He stated that we will need to get a contractor in to flush the lines. A motion was made by Councilman DePanfilis and seconded by Councilman King to get three bids for the public works committee to review and take the lowest bid to move forward with the project. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Committees: The public works committee met with Bill Tomaski at 403 Water St. about his sewer line. They recommended he contact the municipal authority to discuss his options.

Finance & Bills for Payment: This month's bills include: General Fund - \$2,547.93, Community Center Fund - \$693.37, Borough Equipment Fund - \$971.76, Highway Aid Fund - \$3,427.00, and Community Improvement Fund - \$1,418.72. It was moved by Councilman King

and seconded by Councilman Cherry to pay the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor: Solicitor Feronti informed Council that the code violation for 508 Second Ave. has a hearing date set for October. She has also filed health code violation charges on 618 Second Ave.

Engineer & Code Enforcement Report: Monthly report is on file. Ryan Miller reviewed his report with further discussion on the Harrison Ave. realignment project and the multimodal grant.

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

Recreation Board: Minutes are on file. The bus shelter in front of the building that was installed by the Area Transportation Authority (ATA) several years ago is scheduled to be removed at the request of the recreation board.

Junior Council Person: JCP Carnessali was excused.

Old Business: A motion was made by Councilman DeAngelo and seconded by Councilman DePanfilis to accept the bid of \$3,750.00 from Jonathan Updyke Contracting to replace the front door of the borough building. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilman DeAngelo and seconded by Councilman King to accept the bid of \$5,292.00 from Jonathan Updyke Contracting for the security system for the borough building that was submitted at the June meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business: (1) A motion was made by Councilman DePanfilis and seconded by Councilman Cherry to deny the bid of \$500 from Threasa Williams for the property at 308 High St. This bid is to the Elk County Tax Claim Bureau for a property in the Elk County Repository. Motion carried unanimously.

At this time, President Maletto posed the idea of the borough purchasing all of the houses in repository. This led to a discussion on the properties and the liabilities involved with taking ownership.

(2) The public works committee will meet to discuss a request received from a resident of East Ave. to make adjustments to a street light due to a medical condition.

(3) A quote was received from Advanced Computer Solutions for a new phone system. A motion was made by Councilman DePanfilis and seconded by Councilman DeAngelo to turn it over to the finance committee for further review and to let them approve if they are satisfied. President Maletto called for a roll call vote with the following results: Cherry – yes,

King – yes, Maletto – yes, DePanfilis-yes, DeAngelo-yes, Imbrogno-yes. Motion carried unanimously.


(4) President Maletto has organized a committee dedicated to look into the problems of slum and blight within the community. Councilmen King and Cherry volunteered to be on the committee. Councilman DeAngelo volunteered to serve as an alternate, if needed.

A motion was made by Councilman DePanfilis and seconded by Councilman Imbrogno to appoint Harriet Stahli, Jeff Costanzo, Kyle Paget and Brian Power to serve as the public members of the slum and blight committee. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilman Imbrogno and seconded by Councilman King to change our life insurance company as long as the coverage is the same. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilman DeAngelo and seconded by Councilman King to allow Borough Secretary Rachel Kilhoffer to attend the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs (PSAB) fall leadership conference in October. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Councilman Cherry and seconded by Councilman DePanfilis to adjourn the meeting at 5:11 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.


Rachel Kilhoffer
Secretary