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10/14/2019

7:30 PM Council-Regular

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The October 14, 2019 Council Meeting of the Zelienople Borough Council was called to order at 7:30 PM by Council President Allen Bayer in the Council Chambers located at 111 W New Castle St., Zelienople, PA 16063. In attendance were Council Members, Andrew Mathew III, Gregg Semel, Doug Foyle, Mary Hess, Marietta Reeb and Mayor Thomas Oliverio. Councilman Ralph Geis was not present.

Borough Manager Donald Pepe, Assistant to the Borough Manager Andrew Spencer, Police Chief Jim Miller, Borough Engineer Tom Thompson and Solicitor Bonnie Brimmeier were present,

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Manager Pepe

VISITORS

Amy Barkley
Joe Julian
Dan Fritch
JW Johnson -Press

There were other persons in attendance, but they did not sign in to identify themselves.

CONSENT AGENDA:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION OF THE BILLS TO BE PAID FOR MONTH OF OCTOBER 2019 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$946,345.82.

A motion was made by Mr. Mathew, seconded by Mr. Semel to pay the October 2019 bills in the

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amount of \$946,345.82.

Motion carried 6-0

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY INVOICE DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT SERVICES - STREETSCAPE ASSISTANCE

A motion was made by Mrs. Hess, seconded by Mr. Mathew, to approve the payment to Downtow
Redevelopment Services, in the amount of \$567.00 for the payment of invoice #294 relating to -Zelie -
Streetscape Assistance.

Motion carried 6-0

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY INVOICE DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT SERVICES - ZELIE RACP

A motion was made by Mr. Foyle, seconded by Mrs. Hess, to approve the payment to Downtown
Redevelopment Services, in the amount of \$968.75 for the payment of invoice #295 relating to --
Zelie - RACP BP Prep.

Motion carried 6-0

CONSIDER REQUEST OF THE BUSINESS ASSOCIATION – 2019 CHRISTMAS PARADE

A motion was made by Mr. Semel, seconded by Mrs. Reeb to approve the request of the Business
Association to hold the Annual Christmas Parade on Thursday, December 5, 2019 @ 6:00 pm, and that
the Borough apply for a parade permit on their behalf. And to approve
free parking that will remain in effect with a Two (2) hour limit throughout the Borough lots and spaces.
This "free parking" does not include spaces in the Municipal Building parking lot where restrictions
remain as signed. A vote was taken and the vote was not unanimous. A poll of Council showed the
following:

Semel - aye

Hess - aye

Foyle - aye

Reeb - aye

Mathew - nay

Bayer - aye

Motion carried 5 - 1 .

CONSIDER USE OF MUNICIPAL BENEFITS SERVICES (MBS) RATE MITIGATION ACCOUNT FUND FOR EMPLOYEE WELLNESS PROGRAM

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A motion was made by Mrs. Hess, seconded by Mr. Mathew, to approve the request for an employee wellness program for gym memberships that would allow for memberships to be in line with the type of coverage provided to the employee. This means that memberships must match the employee's coverage, such as Individual, Joint or Family with the limit to be reimbursed for membership no greater than \$60.00 per month. The employee must pay for this membership and provide a receipt that will be reimbursed to the employee. The borough will then submit a request for reimbursement to MBS from our Rate Mitigation account. The policy to put this program into practice will be written and distributed to employees to implement this program as soon as possible.

Motion carried 6-0

CONSIDER PAY ESTIMATE #2 TO THE ZELIENOPLE MEMORIAL SKATEPARK PROJECT

A motion was made by Mrs. Hess, seconded by Mr. Foyle, approval of Grindline Skatepark's Pay Estimate No. 2 in the amount of \$142,059.60.

Motion carried 6-0

CONSIDER ACCEPTING THE RETIREMENT REQUEST FROM PATROLMAN WAYNE D. MAGILL

A motion was made by Mr. Semel, seconded by Mrs. Hess to reluctantly accept the retirement request for Office Wayne Magill effective February 9, 2020.

Motion carried 6-0

REQUEST THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION FOR CERTIFIED LIST

A motion was made by Mr. Semel, seconded by Mrs. Hess to request that the Civil Service Commission provide Council with a Certified List for Part Time Police Officers.

Motion carried 6-0

OTHER BUSINESS:

No further formal actions were taken; however, there was a discussion regarding the ability to increase the amount in the Reserve Accounts for both Electric and Water on an annual basis perhaps at an annual rate of 1% or 2 %. This was referred to the Finance Committee to prepare a recommendation to the whole council on how to proceed and to make it part of the annual budget process.

Mr. Bayer requested an executive session on a contractual matter.

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Council took a short break at 8:30 PM and returned at 8:40 PM.

Council then went into Executive session at 8:40 PM and returned into regular session at 9:10 PM.

Being no further business President Bayer adjourned the meeting at 9:10 PM.

ATTEST:

Borough Manager

Council President

Approved by me this _____ day of _____, 2019.

Mayor