

Regular Meeting December 12, 2022 @ 7:00 PM

The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call was taken with Tony Bucci, TJ Edinger, Jim Ferrante, Chuck Kelly Sr., Charlie Kelly Jr., Bob Shrock and Mayor Altman present. Absent from the meeting was John Hemphill.

A motion was made by Ferrante, seconded by Kelly Jr. to approve the minutes from the previous meetings with one correction to the regular meeting on November 14, 2022. All were in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Kelly Jr., seconded by Ferrante to approve the bills as listed for November along with additional bills from LSSE, \$3982.28 sewer bill and \$217.00 water bill. All were in favor, motion carried.

Communications

The county aid for salt has been approved and the check should be coming soon.

Tax Collector's Report

The beginning balance collectable for November 1 was \$8166.15, less face collections for the month of \$126.90. This leaves an ending balance collectable as of November 30 of \$8039.25.

Mayor's Report

The Police totals for November were 71.5 hours on duty, 483 miles patrolled with 22 incidences. The total mileage on the police car as of 11/30/22 was 131,254.

Visitors

The following visitors attended the meeting, but no one wanted to address council; John LaCarte, Bob & Dorothy Miller, Mark Smith, Jim Arafa and Kelly Kelly.

Unfinished Business

Electric Contract

Kelly Sr. spoke with several companies today and they would like to have an email sent to them with the requested information for a quote.

New Business

Adopt Tree Ordinance 336

A motion was made by Kelly Jr., seconded by Bucci to adopt Tree Ordinance # 336 of 2022. All were in favor, except Ferrante, motion carried.

Stonecrest Business Park

A motion was made by Kelly Jr., seconded by Bucci to have the Council President sign the WQM Permit Application for the Stonecrest Business Park so that it can be submitted to DEP. A roll call vote was taken with all in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Kelly Jr., seconded by Bucci to set up a price per EDU for Stonecrest and a price per 100-gallon usage and to have the Engineer review it. All were in favor, motion carried.

The Developer's agreement is ready and will just need the costs plugged in for the EDU & Price per 100 gallon once it is completed by the Engineer.

Municipal Parking Lot

The Solicitor has spoken with an appraiser regarding the municipal parking lot.

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Sewage Treatment Plant CFA Grant-Resolution 10-2022

A motion was made by Kelly Jr., seconded by Bucci to Adopt Resolution 10 authorizing the application for H2O Program Grant funding application. A roll call vote was taken with all in favor, motion carried.

Resolution 11-2022 Sewer Rate Increase

A motion was made by Kelly Jr., seconded by Bucci to adopt Resolution 11-2022 increasing the sewer rate for 2023 to \$67.00 for Residential and \$75.00 for Commercial effective January 1, 2023. A roll call vote was taken with all in favor, except Ferrante, motion carried.

A motion was made by Ferrante, seconded by Kelly Jr. to advertise a meeting with Book & Proch. All were in favor, motion carried.

Resolution 12-2022 Water Rates

A motion was made by Bucci, seconded by Edinger to adopt Resolution 12-2022 setting an increase in the water usage rate to \$9.75 per thousand gallons, effective January 1, 2023. A roll call vote was taken with all in favor, motion carried.

Employee Wages

A motion was made by Shrock, seconded by Bucci to increase the yearly salary for the Borough Secretary by 8% for 2023, making the hourly rate \$20.50. A roll call vote was taken with all in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Bucci, seconded by Ferrante to increase Chief Jannetti's wages by \$1.00 an hour and to increase Officer Benincase's wages by .50 an hour. All were in favor, motion carried.

Employee Christmas Gifts

A motion was made by Ferrante, seconded by Bucci to give all employees \$100 for Christmas. All were in favor, motion carried.

Jim Ferrante stated that he would like to have something for Kelly Sr. and Kelly Jr. and Karolee Loughhead for all their years of service to the borough.

Part-time Employee

A motion was made by Edinger, seconded by Bucci to hire Charlie Kelly Jr. as a part-time employee at the borough for an hourly rate of \$30.00 for snow plowing and electrical work. A roll call vote was taken with Bucci & Edinger voting Aye, Ferrante & Shrock voting Nay and Kelly Sr. and Kelly Jr. abstaining. Mayor Altman voted Aye to break the tie; motion carried.

Transfer of Funds – None

Report of Committees – None

A motion to adjourn was made by Bucci, seconded by Ferrante. All were in favor, meeting adjourned.

Sue Dean, Secretary