

MINUTES
FOX CHAPEL BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING HELD MARCH 14, 2016

PRESENT: Andrew C. Bennett, President; Thomas Karet, Harrison S. Lauer, Ann R. Meyer, Jay S. Troutman, Councilmembers; A. Bruce Bowden, Esq., Solicitor; Kevin A. Brett, Borough Engineer; Gary J. Koehler, Manager; David M. Laux, Police Chief; Dana A. Abate, Borough Secretary.

ABSENT: Walter A. Scott, III, Mayor; Frederick C. Leech, James M. Royston, Councilmembers.

Mr. Bennett called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the minutes of the Borough Council meeting held February 15, 2016 were approved as submitted.

VISITOR

Connie Pizoli appeared before Council to express her concern of speeding along Guyasuta Road in the area of her parents' driveway at 130 Guyasuta Road. She requested a hidden driveway sign be placed before the driveway, the Borough install additional 25 mph speed limit signs along the roadway and encouraged a stronger police presence.

Mr. Koehler indicated that the Borough does not install hidden driveway signs and suggested clearing brush and debris along the property line for better sight distance. Chief Laux indicated that he believes the signage is correct per PennDOT regulations but will verify, will place speed detectors on the roadway to monitor speed as well as have a police presence in the area.

CONTRACT AWARDS

2016 Ford F-500

It was moved by Mr. Karet to award the contract for a 2016 Ford F-500 to Shults Ford for the truck at a price of \$43,100 via CoStars Contract 025-040 and Walsh Equipment for the bed modification at a price of \$31,900 via CoStars Contract 025-021 totaling \$75,000. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Application No. 16-02: Joseph C. Bartolacci
125 Evergreen Road
Demolition of Existing and Construction of
New Single-Family Dwelling

Mr. Troutman stated that the EAC will meet later this evening after the Council meeting and recommended approval of Application 16-02 subject to any and all conditions imposed by the EAC. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

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MS4 TRAINING

Kevin Brett, Borough Engineer, reviewed the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) requirements with Council and in particular the Minimum Control Measure (MCM) Plan. He reviewed in detail the six MCMs and noted that the Borough has a binder for each MCM with all applicable information contained therein. He informed Council that the Borough received a clean audit from DEP. Council again congratulated the staff on a job well done.

FINANCIAL

Approval of Bills

It was moved by Mr. Troutman that the payment of bills for February 2016 be approved per the check register that is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Guide Rail

The Borough requested that Allegheny County use painted versus galvanized guiderail to replace the corten guiderail as part of the Fox Chapel Road paving project. The original estimate to have the County change from galvanized to brown painted guiderail was \$130,000. To make the change, the County requested that the Borough pay the \$130,000. After a field review with Borough representatives to eliminate sections not required and consideration of a guiderail removal/backfilling proposal by the Borough in the lower Salamander Park area, the estimated pre-bid cost to the Borough for brown painted guiderail is now \$73,246.50. Council was asked to consider this expenditure. The County is bidding the brown painted guiderail along Fox Chapel Road as an alternate pending Council's decision.

Following discussion, Council indicated that it is interested in obtaining the County bid price and comparing it to the bids received by the Borough with its yearly guide rail contract. Accordingly, it was moved by Mr. Troutman that Council approve installing the brown painted guide rail, said price not to exceed \$75,000. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

Aspinwall Memorial Day Parade

The Mayor received a request from Aspinwall VFW to increase the Borough's donation to the Memorial Day Parade from \$500 to \$1,000. Council requested the Mayor get clarification for the increase in the donation before making a decision.

Banner Community

Council was informed that the Banner Community Award was given to Fox Chapel Borough as the Borough has distinguished itself as a model community. This means that the Borough has proven a commitment to effective, efficient and accountable governmental principals and has implemented the best practices in providing services. Some of the benchmarks required were attendance at Allegheny League of Municipality trainings and conferences, employee pension funding ratio of 80% or more, participation at 50% or more for

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COG meetings and conducting local community education such at the Borough of Fox Chapel/MS4 Open House which occurred last October. These achievements were compiled in the format required by the Banner Community and submitted by Jeanine Mancuso to ALOM on our behalf. Council was pleased with the designation and congratulated Jeanine on her work.

Finance Committee

Mr. Lauer reported on the recent Finance Committee meeting wherein the Defined Contribution 401(a) Pension Plan and the Deferred Compensation Plan currently with MetLife were discussed.

There being no other business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM.

DANA A. ABATE
Borough Secretary