

MINUTES
FOX CHAPEL BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING HELD DECEMBER 18, 2017

PRESENT: Walter A. Scott, III, Mayor; Andrew C. Bennett, President; Thomas A. Karet, Harrison S. Lauer, Frederick C. Leech, James M. Royston, Councilmembers; A. Bruce Bowden, Solicitor; Kevin A. Brett, Borough Engineer; Gary J. Koehler, Borough Manager; Joy A. Hardt, Treasurer; David M. Laux, Police Chief; Dana A. Abate, Borough Secretary.

ABSENT: Ann R. Meyer, Jay S. Troutman, Councilmembers.

Mr. Bennett called the meeting to order at 6:10 P.M.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the minutes of the Borough Council meeting held November 20, 2017 were approved as submitted.

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

The following land disturbance application was reviewed by the EAC at its December 11, 2017 meeting:

Application No. 17-10: Richard & Kathleen Wallach
770 Fairview Road
Construction of a New Single-Family Dwelling

Mark Schmidt, Hampton Tech, appeared before Council and stated that one of the conditions imposed per Borough Code was the submission of a recorded easement between 770 and 758 Fairview Road to allow for stormwater overflow runoff from the proposed on-site stormwater management facility. Mr. Schmidt indicated that in lieu of an easement, he is proposing a 100-foot level spreader or another design acceptable to the Borough Engineer. The proposal was agreeable to both the Borough Engineer and Council.

It was moved by Mr. Karet that Application Number 17-10 be approved subject to any and all conditions imposed by the EAC including the proposal agreed to with Mr. Schmidt regarding an alternate stormwater overflow runoff method. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

Application No. 17-08: James R. Katz, d/b/a Pittsburgh Land Co.
Resubdivision of "The Enclave – Phase V"
Proposed Wellington Plan of Lots

The EAC previously considered the Plan and recommended approval of it subject to approval by the Planning Commission.

PLANNING COMMISSION – Wellington Plan of Lots

Mr. Lauer reported that the Planning Commission met on November 20, December 12 and before tonight's Council meeting to review and discuss the proposed Wellington Plan of Lots. He stated that it is the recommendation of the Planning Commission to grant Preliminary and Final Approval of the plan subject to conditions found in the Planning Commission minutes dated December 18, 2017.

Accordingly, it was moved by Mr. Lauer that the Wellington Plan of Lots be granted Preliminary and Final Approval subject to conditions noted in the December 18, 2017 Planning Commission minutes. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

FINANCIAL

Mrs. Hardt reported that the CCLA/Capital Campaign will be closed at the end of the year. She also indicated that she would like to close the bank account for the Fox Chapel Sanitary Authority that has been dormant for quite some time. She stated that the current balance is \$50+ and requires an audited financial statement to be submitted to the State costing the Borough additional fees. She stated that the money can be transferred to the sewer account.

Accordingly, it was moved by Mr. Royston that the bank account for the Fox Chapel Sanitary Authority be closed and the funds transferred to the Sewer Fund. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

Approval of Bills

It was moved by Mr. Karet that the payment of bills for November 2017 (General Fund Vouchers 22796-22889 - \$592,476.87) be approved. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

2018 Budget

It was moved by Mr. Leech that the 2018 Budget be approved. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

Real Estate Millage/Ordinance No. 703

It was moved by Mr. Royston that Ordinance No. 703 establishing the 2018 real estate millage rate at 2.5 mills be enacted. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance No. 704

It was moved by Mr. Leech that Ordinance No. 704 which passes along the ALCOSAN sewer rate increase be enacted. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

Resolution No. 618

It was moved by Mr. Lauer that Resolution No. 618 that amends the Fox Chapel Police Pension Plan to include the DROP per the Collective Bargaining Agreement be adopted. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

Appointment

It was moved by Mr. Lauer that Kyra Tucker be appointed to the Zoning Hearing Board replacing Kim Chrisman, said term expiring 1/1/21. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

Other

Council acknowledged receipt of the letter from Brian Beattie, 101 Hawthorne Road, regarding his appreciation to the Public Works Department for the exceptional job done by the Department during the fall leaf collection.

There being no other business to come before the Board, it was duly moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 6:50 PM. The motion carried unanimously.

DANA A. ABATE
Borough Secretary