# BOROUGH OF SCOTTDALE REGULAR MEETING January 10, 2022

The regular meeting of the Scottdale Borough Council was convened at 6:35 p.m. with President Donald Stansak presiding. This meeting was closed to the public because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

### **ROLL CALL**

Those Councilpersons present at Roll Call included: Colebank, Chronowski, Hovis, Robson, Siwula and Stansak. Also present were Borough Manager Pallone, Solicitor Falatovich, and Treasurer Washington. Mr. Bell, Mr. Pinskey, Mayor King and Engineer Eby were absent.

President Stansak spoke about the passing of Jerry Lucia, the Mayor of Mount Pleasant Borough. He would like to do something in memory of Mr. Lucia. He asked that Council come up with an idea.

## **CORRECTIONS OR ADDITIONS TO MINUTES**

Moved by Mr. Siwula, second by Mrs. Robson to approve the December 10, 2021 minutes as written. Motion passed.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD** – None.

<u>APPROVAL OF PAYROLLS</u> – Moved by Mrs. Colebank, second by Mrs. Robson to approve the payrolls. Motion passed.

<u>APPROVAL OF BILLS AND LATE BILLS</u> – Moved by Mrs. Robson, second by Mr. Siwula to approve the bills and late bills.

# ACTION ITEMS OLD BUSINESS

<u>CDBG Administrator</u> – Borough Manager Pallone reported that he needs a written list of steps as to what Mr. Pinskey did to get quotes for a new CDBG Administrator. The Borough has to submit the list to the Borough's DCED Grant Administrator for approval to proceed.

#### **GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

<u>Finance Computer</u> – Borough Manager Pallone reported that the hard drive is going bad in the finance computer. The office would like approval to purchase a new computer before the old one quits working.

Moved by Mrs. Colebank, second by Mrs. Robson to purchase a new computer at a cost not to exceed \$1,400.00. Motion passed.

<u>Shelving for Storage Areas</u> – President Stansak reported that the office has requested shelving for the storage room and the Police have requested shelving for their evidence room.

Moved by Mrs. Colebank, second by Mr. Siwula to approve the purchase of shelving at a cost not to exceed \$1,400.00. Motion passed.

<u>Cleaning of the Attic</u> – President Stansak reported that he inspected the attic area and there is a lot of old Police equipment that the Borough could sell to free up space in the attic. He would like to have a yard sale to sell off small items.

Moved by Mr. Siwula, second by Mrs. Colebank to sell old equipment on Municibid, sell off small items and shred any old documents that are in the attic. Motion passed.

<u>Condition of the Borough Building</u> – President Stansak reported that the T-111 around the windows of the Borough office is rotted. The item was given to the General Government committee to look into.

<u>Asset List</u> – Borough Manager Pallone requested that the General Government committee create an asset list of all the Borough property so that Industrial Appraisal can do an update.

#### **PUBLIC SERVICES**

<u>Camera Lines</u> – Moved by Mrs. Colebank, second by Mr. Siwula to approve State Pipe Services to come to town for an eight (8) hours day, with a cost not to exceed \$3,000.00. Motion passed.

PL566 Grant Update – Mrs. Colebank gave an update on the stormwater grant.

<u>Joe Leighty's Orchard Avenue Request</u> – Borough Manager Pallone reported that Mr. Leighty requested that the detour route for accidents on Porter Avenue be changed because he had damage to his property from trailer trucks that had to use Orchard Avenue as a detour. This item was referred to the Protection Committee.

<u>Veteran's Committee Request</u> – Mrs. Robson reported that the Veteran's Committee would like to sell banners to the public with veterans or first responder photos on them. They have to have an agreement with West Penn Power to hang the banners on their poles.

Moved by Mrs. Colebank, second by Mrs. Robson to approve the Veteran's Committee request contingent on the solicitor's approval of the agreement with West Penn Power. Motion passed.

<u>Rain Gardens</u> – Mrs. Colebank reported that she spoke to the DEP. She asked for money to repair them or permission to pave over them. The DEP will look into getting money to repair the rain gardens.

<u>Tar and Chipped Roads</u> – Mrs. Colebank reported that she and the Street Crew will look at the condition of the streets that were tarred and chipped this past year.

#### **PROTECTION**

<u>Blight Committee</u> – President Stansak reported that Jack Davis and Bob Close have requested to be on a Blight Committee and continue to work with Solicitor Falatovich on the Borough's blight problem.

The consensus of the Council was to let the complaints continue to come into the Borough office.

Blight Update – Solicitor Falatovich reported the following:

- 104 Newman Street Hearing at the County in March or April.
- 917-919 Mulberry Street The family is looking to give the property away.
- 200 North Hickory Street BIU will look at
- 421 North Broadway There is no problem
- 401 Mulberry The sale of Greystone Manor will be finished next week.

<u>Quality of Life Ordinance</u> – Solicitor Falatovich reported that the previous Protection Committee had started working on a quality of life ordinance. The item was referred to the Protection Committee.

<u>Killed in Service Insurance</u> – Moved by Mrs. Robson, second by Mr. Siwula to remove the Killed in Service section of the pension ordinance. Motion passed.

**PARKS AND RECREATION** – Nothing to report.

**JACOBS CREEK WATERSHED ASSOCIATION** – Nothing to report.

**JACOBS CREEK FLOOD CONTROL PROJECT** – Nothing to report.

**WESTMORELAND-FAYETTE MUNICIPAL SEWAGE AUTHORITY** – Nothing to report.

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT** – Nothing to report.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

<u>Approve Resolution No. 2022-01 2022 Fee Resolution</u> – Moved by Mrs. Robson, second by Mrs. Colebank to amend the resolution to read \$3,000.00 for an Event, the dinner reimbursement to read \$20.00 and approve Resolution No. 2022-01 with the changes. Motion passed.

Approve Resolution No. 2022-02 2022 Waive PMRS Police Pension Contributions — Moved by Mrs. Colebank, second by Mr. Siwula to approve Resolution No. 2022-02 waive PMRS police pension contributions. A roll call vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

<u>Scottdale Area Chamber of Commerce</u> – Moved by Mrs. Colebank, second by Mrs. Robson to approve the yearly membership at a cost of \$30.00. Motion passed.

<u>DCNR</u> – A notice that the Borough received a \$36,100.00 grant for two (2) pieces of equipment at Pittsburgh Street Park. Information only.

**SEMINARS** – Nothing to report.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT** – Nothing to report.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT** – To be discussed in Executive Session.

**MAYOR'S REPORT** – Nothing to report.

Council took a break at 8:19 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** – Council went into Executive Session at 8:28 p.m.

Council reconvened the regular meeting at 8:57 p.m.

<u>ADJOURN</u> – Moved by Mr. Siwula, second by Mr. Chronowski to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. Motion passed.

Borough Secretary	