

BOROUGH OF SCOTSDALE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

JULY 8, 2024

The regular meeting of Scottsdale Borough Council convened at 6:31 pm with Council President Donald Stansak presiding.

ROLL CALL - Mr. Andy Pinsky, Mr. Matt Chronowski, Engineer Steve Eby, Mrs. Charity Colebank, Mr. Mickey Siwula, Mr. Don Stansak, Mrs. Mary Robson, Mrs. Mary Yeager, Solicitor Gary Falatovich, Secretary/Treasurer Amy Baker, Mr. Angelo Pallone, Mrs. Stacey Coffman were in attendance. We have a Quorum.

Mayor Chuck King joined the meeting via phone call.

Mr. Ryan Hovis was absent from the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD- Nothing to report

A motion was made to approve meeting minutes – moved by Mr. Chronowski, second by Mrs. Charity Colebank,

Call to order by Don Stansak- Wished the Scottsdale Fire Department a Happy 138th Birthday, they have been established since 1886. Mayor King spent 12 years with the fire department.

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL -Moved by Mr. Matt Chronowski, seconded by Mrs. Charity Colebank. Motion passed

APPROVAL OF BILL AND LATE BILLS – Moved by Mr. Mickey Siwula, Mr. Matt Chronowski seconded it. Motion passed

Don Stansak addressed the issue of recent Facebook comments that were made questioning who oversees the police department. He wants to clear up any misconceptions stating that the mayor is the one who is in charge of the police. Also, comments were made about the police vehicles being seen in places they don't belong. The police are patrolling exactly where they are told to go.

Don also wanted to state that half of the money from sale from the sewage company has been put into CD's. This will offset any additional costs that the grant does not cover.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT – last month Mr. Mickey Siwula discussed zoning officer training. It will cost \$125 because we are members of PSA- moved by Mr. Mickey Siwula, seconded Mrs. Charity Colebank. Mr. Andy Pinsky asked if the motion could be amended to say any

zoning hearing board member should be allowed access to the training, at no cost. All in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed. *****

A motion was made by Mr. Mickey Siwula to create a position for a temporary Assistant Borough Manager and to make Stacey Coffman the Borough Manager as you cannot have 2 managers. Moved by Mr. Mickey Siwula- seconded by Mrs. Charity Colebank. All in favor, none opposed, motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Mickey Siwula to appoint Angelo as assistant Borough Manager. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Charity Colebank. Motion was made by Mr. Mickey Siwula -Angelo's salary is to remain the same for the duration of his employment motion seconded by Mrs. Charity Colebank. All in favor, none opposed, motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Mickey Siwula to change the signing authority for the Borough on all related accounts from Angelo Pallone to Stacey Coffman, now Borough Manager. Motion was seconded by Mr. Matt Chronowski. All in favor, none opposed, motion passed

A motion was presented by Mr. Mickey Siwula to add Amy Baker Borough Secretary/Treasurer as an authorized signer to all related accounts. Motion was seconded by Mr. Matt Chronowski, all in favor, none opposed, motion passed.

Angelo Pallone stated that the property on 611-613 ***** is being bought – there was a previous lien that showed up on this property. Attorney David Petonic said the lien was satisfied in 1996 and was filed at the courthouse wrong. A motion to accept the satisfied judgement was made by Mr. Matt Chronowski. Mr. Andrew Pinsky seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed, motion passed.

Stacey presented to council the purchase a VocoPro USB-Conference 12-person wireless Microphone Interface package to be used for our meetings, if the high-def phones were not satisfactory. Stacey got information for a microphone sound system. The cost for 12 mics will approximately be \$1139.00 and \$109.99 for speakers. This will be covered by the Capital Funds account. There is also a purchase for a laptop to control the sound system for approximately \$190.00. A motion was made by Mr. Mickey Siwula to accept, a motion seconded by Mr. Matt Chronowski. All in favor, none opposed, motion carried

The Borough office intern position was to be held by Michael Klatt; he has declined the position due to employment at another job.

A motion was made to pay Nevaeh Emergency lights bill for \$2400.00 by Mr. Mickey Siwula, Mrs. Mary Robson seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed, motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Mickey Siwula to replace the steel doors at the Borough Building, a quote for \$2175.00. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Mary Robson. All favor, none opposed, motion carried.

Police are requesting a new interrogation room. Mr. Mickey Siwula made the motion to go through Mr. Steve Eby to get 3 quotes and will work with the Chief of Police, Mr. Barry Pritts, on a design. This will be paid for out of the AARPA grant money. Mr. Mickey Siwula made the motion, Mrs. Mary Robson seconded. All in favor, none opposed, motion carried

Anti-Nepotism Resolution: Mr. Gary Falatovich put together the resolution and read it before the public. Mr. Mickey Siwula asked that the motion be tabled and voted on at the next meeting. Mr. Andy Pinskey made the motion; Mrs. Mary Robson seconded; no one opposed, motion carried to vote at this next meeting.

Public Services -

2024 Paving was done by El Grande. A motion was made by Mrs. Charity Colebank to pay this bill. Motion seconded by Mr. Mickey Siwula, all in favor, none opposed, motion passed.

Handicap parking: New handicap signs will have the minimum fines on them. We have approximately 20 houses in need of them. Motion to advertise in paper, for those in need. Mr. Gary Falatovich will be working with Chief Pritts to finalize the Ordinance. A motion was made by Mrs. Charity Colebank to table this topic until the next meeting. Motion was seconded by Mr. Matt Chronowski, all in favor, motion passed.

KDG crosswalks: this project has been completed; final cost is \$31000.00. A motion was made by Mrs. Charity Colebank to pay this invoice. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Mary Yeager, all in favor, no one opposed, motion passed. *****

Chalk art by The Chalk Dad and sidewalk closer: The 150th committee asked for sidewalks in front of the Scottsdale S&T bank, during the Fall Festival. Motion was made by Mrs. Charity Colebank, seconded by Mr. Mickey Siwula. No one opposed, motion passed.

New Hope Planter Request: The New Hope Church is asking to build planters and put-up awnings in front of the building. Waiting on plans from New Hope, Mrs. Charity Colebank tabled this until we receive plans.

Protection:

Amendments to the FOP Collective Bargaining Agreement – moved to the Executive Session.

Establish eligibility for new hires, the Civil Service Committee is working on that.

Dell Power Edge Server: The cost for this will be \$ 6814.72 compared to paying for the cloud which would be \$300-400 a month in addition to two internet providers costs. Motion to purchase a server with AARPA funds was made by Mr. Matt Chronowski, seconded by Mr. Mickey Siwula, all in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

Label Maker: Police are in need of a new label printer; the cost is \$96.84. Motion to buy made by Mr. Matt Chronowski, seconded by Mrs. Charity Colebank, all in favor, no one opposed, motion passed.

National Night Out: Update, the event will be held on August 6th with a street closer of Pittsburgh Street to Spring Street and Spring St. to Mulberry Ave.

Zone Changes for Greystone Manor: Mr. Gary Falatovich asked that this be moved into an executive session.

Blight Update: Wells Springs Church Waiting to hear from the Sheriff's office as to when the Pastor was served.

Blight Update: Sheetz building Mr. Andy Pinsky was trying to contact Norfolk.

Blight Update: Pritts Feed Mill Mr. Gary Falatovich is reaching out to the County to take over with the Land Bank.

Blight Update: 102 Mt. Pleasant Rd. Complete form for the County to help owner with the cost of Demolition. The owner was given a 90 day notice to get everything out of the property. Code enforcement can site for overgrown grass

Blight Update: Newman Street property the documents were signed over to the individual that is going to rehab the property. The key has not been delivered by the original property owner. Motion made to allow Street Crew to change the locks without liability falling on the borough to take over temporary possession with Borough holding the keys. Motion made by Mrs. Charity Colebank, seconded by Mr. Matt Chronowski, all in favor no one opposed motion passed.

Blight Update: Pittsburgh St. Fink This will be discussed in the executive session

Parks & Recreation: Repairs were needed for the Loucks Park sprinkler. These repairs were made by Neveah and cost \$1200. Motion to pay made by Mrs. Charity Colebank, seconded by Mr. Mickey Siwula, all in favor, no one opposed, motion passed.

Parks Commission Officers: The Parks Commission will consist of Mrs. Charity Colebank and Mrs. Katrina Patchan. Motion made to accept this by Mr. Matt Chronowski, seconded by Mr. Mickey Siwula, all in favor, no one opposed, motion passed.

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: A contract was awarded to Grande Construction for the replacement of the Double Hung windows at the VFD Central Station. A quote for \$ 33,543 was given. Motion made by Mr. Matt Chronowski, seconded by Mr. Andy Pinsky, all in favor, no one opposed, motion passed.

A second contract was awarded to Grande Construction for the replacement of a double hung window at the VFD Central Station in the amount of \$22,413.00. Motion was made by Mrs. Charity Colebank, seconded by Mr. Mickey Siwula, all in favor, no one opposed, motion passed.

New Business: Ryan Hovis Resolution A motion was made to accept his resignation and appoint Mr. Caden Coppetti as his replacement by Mr. Mickey Siwula, seconded by Mrs. Charity Colebank. Mr. Andy Pinsky stated that the council needs to wait 30 days after the resignation to accept it. Mr. Andy Pinsky asked that this position be opened for a 45-day time period to any resident in the 3rd ward to be able to run for the open council position. President Don Stansak stated he had spoken to a few residents in this ward about the position and Caden was the only one that came forward with an interest. Mr. Andy Pinsky, Mrs. Mary Robson and Mrs. Mary Yeager asked again that this position be opened up for anyone who is interested and stated that council is not allowed to appoint the vacant seat, there should be choices