

The regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Sinking Spring was called to order on Thursday, August 2, 2018 at 7:00 p.m., at the Sinking Spring Borough Hall by President James Pachuillo. Debra Bohn called the roll reflecting the following Council Members present:

James Pachuillo  
Tracy Peterson  
H. David Miller  
Denise Stine (Absent)  
Lisa Gantner (Absent)  
Brian Hoffa  
Robert Metzgar  
Jack Malandra (Absent)

Other officials present were: Charles Haws, Barley Snyder, Borough Solicitor; Ed Overberger, ARRO Consulting; Michael Hart, Borough Manager; Bryce Zohner, Public Works Director; Police Chief Lee Schweyer and Debra Bohn, Borough Treasurer, who recorded the minutes of the proceeding.

Mr. Pachuillo requested a moment of silence to honor our Fallen Heroes and to recognize our Police, Fire and EMS personnel that protect us here and our Armed Forces who protect us every day here and abroad.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Mr. Pachuillo asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the July 5, 2018 Council Meeting and the July 25, 2018 Workshop Meeting. Mr. Miller made the motion to approve the minutes; seconded by Mr. Hoffa. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0, ABSENT – 2. Motion carried.

**VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There were no visitors.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

There was no correspondence to report.

**APPROVAL OF THE BILLS:**

Mr. Pachuillo asked for a motion to approve the bills for July 2018. Mr. Hoffa made a motion to approve the bills, seconded by Mrs. Peterson. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0, ABSENT – 2. Motion carried.

**WESTERN BERKS FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

Mr. Pachuillo mentioned that their report was included in the meeting info e-mail.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Mr. Haws mentioned that we have a form of a Settlement Agreement with Mr. Travis Fritz. He stated that the form of release and agreement complies with the instruction that Council gave. He stated that Mr. Fritz has not executed the Agreement yet but has agreed to its terms and in accordance with the terms has provided his notice of resignation. Mr. Haws stated that Council can do this in a two-step process and first being making a motion to authorize Mr. Pachuillo to execute the Settlement Agreement with Mr. Fritz and then another motion to implement the Settlement Agreement which would reinstate Mr. Fritz and concurrently accept his resignation.

Mr. Miller made a motion to authorize Mr. Pachuillo to execute the Settlement Agreement with Mr. Fritz; seconded by Mr. Hoffa. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0, ABSENT – 2. Motion carried.

Mrs. Peterson made a motion to reinstate Mr. Fritz and accept his resignation; seconded by Mr. Hoffa. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0, ABSENT – 2. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Mr. Hart mentioned that Mr. Cody Henn, from our Public Works Department, has submitted his letter of resignation effective August 10, 2018. He mentioned that we are advertising to replace him. Mr. Hoffa made a motion to accept Mr. Henn's resignation; seconded by Mrs. Peterson. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0, ABSENT – 2. Motion carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Mr. Pachuillo asked for a motion to accept the Treasures Report as written. Mrs. Peterson made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as written; seconded by Mr. Hoffa. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0, ABSENT – 2. Motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:****BRIAN HOFFA – ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:**

Mr. Hoffa mentioned that the BOSS2020 Committee is trying to put together a package of things to offer to a potential developer. Mrs. Peterson asked if there was a way to update people on what BOSS2020 is doing. She stated that she has seen negative comments especially about the Food Lion building which we have no control over. Mr. Hoffa mentioned that he talked to Mr. Loth about doing a newsletter for BOSS2020 with updates every month or so.

**TRACY PETERSON – RECREATION:**

Mrs. Peterson reported that Bulldog Blast is done for the season and that it went really well. She also mentioned that next week is the last week for Playground and that they have their last Movie in the Park will be next Thursday and that they are showing the Greatest Showman.

**H. DAVID MILLER - PUBLIC SAFETY:**

Mr. Miller mentioned that they have been notified that the Police Officers Association have agreed to the terms of the negotiations for their Contract.

**MICHAEL HART – BOROUGH MANAGER:**

Mr. Hart mentioned that they are putting a letter together now explaining the phases of construction to the residents on Krick Avenue. He stated that he is waiting for an updated map to include with the letters.

**CHARLES HAWS – BOROUGH SOLICITOR:**

Mr. Haws mentioned that he sent some correspondence out to a couple of residents on Broad Street who had complaints concerning the sewer backup.

**SEWER ENGINEER – ARRO CONSULTING – ED OVERBERGER:**

Mr. Overberger reported that we are still waiting for DEP on the Permit Renewal. He also mentioned that the Small Water Sewer Grants have been pushed back to September 18, 2018 and that the Planning Module Exemption was mailed to South Heidelberg Municipal Authority.

**CHIEF SCHWEYER:**

Chief Schweyer mentioned that he received a call today from County Detectives informing him that there will be a Rally/Protest at Willow Glen Park this Sunday for the gentleman that was run over by the bulldozer.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mr. Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Elizabeth A. Eageman  
Borough Secretary