# BRIDGEVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MINUTES DECEMBER 11, 2017 MUNICIPAL BUILDING 425 BOWER HILL ROAD BRIDGEVILLE, PA 15017

## **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Council President,
Michael Tolmer
Council Vice President,
Bruce Ghelarducci
Council,
William Henderson
Neil Lyons
Joseph Colosimo
Bert Cherry

Joseph Verduci - Absent SouthBridge EMS, Dan Miller - Absent

# **ALSO PRESENT:**

Mayor, Pasquale DeBlasio Solicitor, Thomas McDermott Engineer, Joe Sites Borough Manager, Lori Collins Police Officer, Roman Williams Fire Chief, William Chilleo

The meeting is opened with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence for the sick, handicapped, departed, military personnel of the community and especially George Maioli who passed away recently.

#### ROLL CALL

# VISITORS, PLEASE STATE NAMES AND ADDRESSES

Joel Lakus – 918 Ridge Road Bridgeville, PA 15017

Mr. Lakus stated that he would like to be re-appointed to the Vacancy Board.

He also stated that he would like Chartiers Park to be renamed to Ed Schneider Park. Mr. Schneider donated the land, cultivated it and took his own equipment there to make it a park along with volunteers that helped. He deserves the park to be named after him.

Jay Steck – 716 Maple Street Bridgeville, PA 15017

Mr. Steck questioned the plans for the steps on Laurel Street?

M. Tolmer stated that it is in the budget but to replace the steps, although it is a bigger project than expected. It would have to go to an engineering firm to be designed; so we are looking for other alternatives to get them replaced this year.

Mr. Steck also stated that he noticed a sign in McLaughlin Park that stated the water could contain raw sewage if high.

Engineer Sites stated it is the overflow and a requirement of the administrative consent order per the EPA. If you see an overflow of the sanitary sewer manhole during a dry weather period, you are to call the phone number on the sign to let the Borough know.

Mr. Steck then questioned how long it is going to take to get the garage on Baldwin Street taken down. He said the back of the garage is hanging over the creek.

Manager Collins stated that she will have the Building Inspector look into it.

## **MINUTES**

A motion was made by B. Ghelarducci, seconded by W. Henderson approving the minutes of the November 13, 2017 regular meeting as submitted. All in favor, motion carried 6-0.

A motion was made by B. Cherry, seconded by B. Ghelarducci approving the minutes of the November 21, 2017 budget workshop meeting as submitted. All in favor, motion carried 6-0.

# **ORDINANCE NO. 998**

A motion was made by B. Ghelarducci, seconded by W. Henderson approving Ordinance No. 998; an ordinance amending the current rates charged for sewer service within the Borough of Bridgeville with the Allegheny County Sanitary Authority increase of an additional \$.51 per 1,000 gallons of water usage and a \$1.09 per quarterly bill increase of the service charge. The Borough proposes no increase in 2018.

	<b>2017 Rates</b>	<b>2018 Rates</b>
ALCOSAN rate: Borough Rate:	\$ 6.92 per 1,000 gallons <u>\$ 6.23 per 1,000 gallons</u> \$13.15 per 1,000 gallons	\$ 7.42 per 1,000 gallons \$ 6.23 per 1,000 gallons \$13.65 per 1,000 gallons
ALCOSAN Service Charge	\$14.51 per quarter	\$15.60 per quarter

Remarks: M. Tolmer stated that a public hearing was held on December 11, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. to receive public comment. The ordinance has been duly advertised. All in favor, motion carried 6-0.

## ORDINANCE NO. 999

A motion was made by B. Cherry, seconded by W. Henderson approving Ordinance No. 999; an ordinance levying and assessing Real Estate Taxes for general and specific purposes, establishing separate tax (millage) rates on land and on buildings/improvements, establishing a Homestead Property exclusion of \$12,000; and providing for payment due dates at Discount (2%), at Face and at Penalty (10%) for the Tax Year 2018. Remarks: M. Tolmer stated that the ordinance has been duly advertised. All in favor, motion carried 6-0.

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2017-12**

A motion was made by B. Ghelarducci, seconded by J. Colosimo approving Resolution No. 2017-12; a resolution approving the budget for the Fiscal Year 2018 and adopting the same. All in favor, motion carried 6-0.

# **ORDINANCE NO. 1000**

A motion was made by W. Henderson, seconded by B. Ghelarducci approving Ordinance No. 1000; an ordinance setting the police pension fund contributions to fund the shortfall in the Police Pension Fund evidenced by an Independent Actuarial Study and as permitted by previous ordinances and the Police Collective Bargaining Agreement. Remarks: M. Tolmer stated that the contributions will be lowered from 8% to 7% beginning January 1, 2018. The ordinance has been duly advertised. All in favor, motion carried 6-0.

## ORDINANCE NO. 1001

A motion was made by W. Henderson, seconded by B. Ghelarducci approving Ordinance No. 1001; an ordinance establishing a Volunteer Service Credit Program; authorizing Local Tax Credits for volunteer members of the Bridgeville Volunteer Fire Department and establishing Administrative Procedures and Appeals. Remarks: M. Tolmer stated that the ordinance has been duly advertised. Comments: Manager Collins stated that the Finance Committee has recommended a credit of \$300.00. All in fayor, motion carried 6-0.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2017-13

A motion was made by B. Cherry, seconded by W. Henderson approving Resolution No. 2017-13; a resolution establishing the annual criteria that a volunteer must meet to be certified under the Borough of Bridgeville Volunteer Service Credit Program to claim local tax credits. All in favor, motion carried 6-0.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2017-14**

A motion was made by B. Cherry, seconded by B. Ghelarducci approving Resolution No. 2017-14; a resolution prohibiting the location of a Category 4 Licensed Casino Facility within the Borough of Bridgeville. All in favor, motion carried 6-0.

## CALENDAR YEAR 2018 MEETING ADVERTISEMENT

A motion was made by B. Ghelarducci, seconded by W. Henderson approving the advertisement of the following meeting dates for the Calendar Year 2018 and advertising the same:

The Reorganization Meeting will be held the first Tuesday of January at 7:00 p.m. The remainder of the Council Meetings will be held the second Monday of each month. Agenda Meeting 6:30 p.m. and Regular Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

The Bridgeville Parking Authority Meetings will be held the third Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

The Planning Commission Meetings are scheduled the last Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. during the months of January through April and June through October. The May meeting will be held on May 21, 2018. The November and December meetings will be combined and held on December 3, 2018.

Zoning Hearings will be scheduled as needed.

All in favor, motion carried 6-0.

# <u>CURRENT ESTIMATES NO. 5 AND 6 – 2017 CCTV PROJECT</u>

A motion was made by B. Ghelarducci, seconded by J. Colosimo approving the remittal of Current Estimate No. 5 – 2017 CCTV Project to Advanced Plumbing and Drainage in the amount of \$2,430.00 for work completed to date and Current Estimate No. 6 in the amount of \$1,242.00. Remarks: M. Tolmer stated that the estimates have been reviewed by the Engineer. All in favor, motion carried 6-0.

## BILL LIST

A motion was made by B. Ghelarducci, seconded by B. Cherry approving the December 2017 Bill List. All in favor, motion carried 6-0.

# **PAYROLLS**

A motion was made by B. Ghelarducci, seconded by B. Cherry approving the payrolls of December 15, 22 and 29, 2017. All in favor, motion carried 6-0.

## MONTHLY REPORTS

A motion was made by B. Ghelarducci, seconded by B. Cherry approving to pay any commissions due the November 2017 Real Estate Tax Collector Report. All in favor, motion carried 6-0.

A motion was made by B. Ghelarducci, seconded by W. Henderson approving the October 2017 Financial Report. All in favor, motion carried 6-0.

A motion was made by W. Henderson, seconded by J. Colosimo approving the November 2017 Police Report. All in favor, motion carried 6-0.

A motion was made by W. Henderson, seconded by B. Ghelarducci approving the November 2017 Zoning Report. All in favor, motion carried 6-0.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### ADMINISTRATION, BRUCE GHELARDUCCI

No report but wished everyone a Merry Christmas and thanked the administration department for everything they do.

FINANCE, JOE VERDUCI

Absent

## PARKS & RECREATION, JOSEPH COLOSIMO

J. Colosimo thanked everyone that was involved in Lite-up night.

## PUBLIC WORKS/BUILDINGS, BRUCE GHELARDUCCI

B. Ghelarducci thanked the public works department for all that they do for Lite-up night along with picking up the leaves in town.

# PUBLIC SAFETY, WILLIAM HENDERSON

W. Henderson thanked Mayor DeBlasio for his last 4 years of service.

#### MAYOR, PASQUALE DEBLASIO

Mayor DeBlasio stated that lower tax rate on improvements along with the homestead exemption provides a small incentive for property owners to invest and live in our community. Bridgeville will benefit for the research effort and courage shown by council and the professionals who work to design and implement this structure. While the new tax structure is positive, raising the taxes is not. Taxes and spending should be reduced not increased. The issues are structural.

He also stated that it has been an honor working with everyone.

#### POLICE OFFICER, ROMAN WILLIAMS

Officer Williams wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

## SOLICITOR, THOMAS MCDERMOTT

Solicitor McDermott provided his written report.

#### **ENGINEER, JOE SITES**

Engineer Sites provided his written report and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

# FIRE CHIEF, WILLIAM CHILLEO

Fire Chief Chilleo stated on Saturday December 23<sup>rd</sup>, Santa and Mrs. Claus will be coming around in the fire truck handing out treats for the kids and pets at 1:00 p.m.

He also stated that the fire department invested in a insurance plan for their members. He passed out cards to everyone that would get a discount off of their perscriptions if eligible. Everytime the card is used, the fire department will get \$1.00.

Have a Safe and Happy Holiday.

## SOUTHBRIDGE EMS, DAN MILLER

Absent

## **BRIDGEVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

M. Weise stated that tomorrow night 7:00 at the fire department; a speaker will be going over

Bridgeville High School years 1941, 1942, and 1943. Calendars are for sale for \$10.00. Their Christmas tree has approximately 35 little ornaments that are exact replicas of those on the White House Christmas Tree. She also spoke about PennDOT and some of her concerns. She wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

# PARKING AUTHORITY REPRESENTATIVE

Rich McElhoes stated that free parking starts on December 15<sup>th</sup> and ends on January 2<sup>nd</sup>. A lot of people are using the applications when they park. Since October 15<sup>th</sup>, 321 parking applications have been used. There were a total of 18,798 parking transactions from October 1<sup>st</sup> till December 10<sup>th</sup>. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

## BOROUGH MANAGER, LORI COLLINS

Manager Collins provided her written report. She wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

## BRIDGEVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY, BECKY WISBON

B. Wisbon thanked Council and the administration office for being so helpful. The tree festival will be held at the library. She thanked Janet Nock who is retiring and Cindy Micheli who will be taking over her position. She has some really good ideas and plans. She also thanked Mayor DeBlasio for all of his help.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

No report

# **NEW BUSINESS**

M. Tolmer stated that last month he went to a Sustainability Conference in Pittsburgh. Alcosan and Gateway representatives were present speaking about laterals, significant cost savings and related economic benefits that are being achieved by incorporating sustainable practices within procurement approaches, engineering design standard, and operations.

He thanked Bert Cherry, Neil Lyons and Pat DeBlasio for their time on Council.

#### ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by W. Henderson, seconded by N. Lyons. Motion carried 6-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Jaci Collins

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Collins

Borough Manager