

ROSSLYN FARMS BOROUGH COUNCIL
Regular Council Meeting
October 11, 2021

Time: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Steve Tassaro (2023)

Location: Rosslyn Farms Community Center

Attendees: Council members Barbara Becker (2021), Chad Green (2023), Jay Lear (2023), and David Robb (2021) were present. Also present were Secretary/Treasurer Dorothy Falk and Solicitor Daniel Conlon.

Regrets: Council members Jonathan Glance (2021) and Lee Griffin (2021), Mayor Jim Stover (2021)

Materials: A sign-in sheet and agenda were provided to those in attendance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Robb made a motion to accept the minutes from September 13, 2021 as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Lear and passed unanimously.

PUBLIC FORUM

Resident Derek Luke was present to observe.

Tracy Beresford from Evergreen Montessori was present. She provided Council with an update on the preschool program and upcoming events. Council toured the classroom.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Resolution to approve Phase 2 of Consent Order and Agreement – Solicitor Conlon summarized the consent order agreement provided by the Allegheny County Health Department, which provides a deadline of 2026 to provide for a 10% reduction of flow, April 2022 to amend the dye test ordinance. A discussion followed. Mr. Greene made a motion that council approve the consent order and agreement and authorize President Tassaro to sign the agreement. The motion was seconded by Ms. Becker and approved unanimously.

Fee Resolution – Solicitor Conlon summarized the resolution authorizing an escrow deposit of \$1,000 for a grading permit. A discussion followed. Ms. Becker made a motion that council approve the resolution as presented, which was seconded by Mr. Lear. The motion was approved unanimously.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

No report.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Stover was not present. Via email, he reported that there was one police detail on September 23 for two hours that resulted in multiple speeding warnings and one citation.

Another detail was scheduled for October 1 but the police car broke down. Mayor Stover indicated that the two hour add-on details are difficult to fill due to staffing difficulties and that four hour overtime shifts may be necessary to get increased coverage. Ms. Becker will follow up with Mr. Stover to identify available time slots for coverage and to see if a traffic study would be helpful. Council authorized the additional police coverage to begin right away.

Police Contract renewal: Mayor Stover will ask the police chief to attend the November meeting to answer questions regarding the renewal of the police contract. A copy of the contract will be distributed for review prior to the meeting.

SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT

Ms. Falk presented council with reports for Deposits, Profit and Loss, and Account Balances.

Disbursements: Ms. Falk presented council with a list of disbursements for bills received since the September 13 meeting. A discussion followed. Mr. Green made a motion that council approve the disbursements as presented. Mr. Robb seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Chartiers Valley District Flood Control Authority - Appointment of delegate and alternate: Mr. Robb will contact Fred Bigham for additional information.

2022 Minimum Municipal Obligation – Ms. Falk corrected the MMO previously reported. Since the borough retirement contribution is set by ordinance to 8%, the MMO for 2022 is \$10,240 based on the estimated payroll.

Greentree leaf composting – The Borough of Greentree has requested that Rosslyn Farms contribute \$1,000 towards the cost of processing the leaves it deposits at the Greentree composting facility, approximately 25% of the total cost and proportional to the volume deposited by Rosslyn Farms. A discussion followed. Council approved the contribution, which will be invoiced by Greentree when incurred.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Code management (Green) – Mr. Green updated council on the current status of citations and hearings.

Communication/Website (Green) – No report.

Community Facilities (Becker) - President Tassarò reported that the fire alarm system is up and running. The electrical system needs repairs and/or upgrades. An engineer and electrician will be consulted. New panels may be required.

Finance/Grants (Robb) – Mr. Robb reported that the budget committee will be preparing a draft of the 2022 budget for presentation at the November meeting.

Human Resources (Lear) – No report.

Infrastructure (Tassarò) – No report.

Parks/Recreation (Griffin) – No report.

Waste/Recycling (Glance) – No report.

OLD BUSINESS

Edgecliff Trail update – Mr. Robb reported that the project is significantly under the grant budget, which may allow for extending the wall if that makes sense and is possible. More information will be available when the project begins, likely within the next week or two.

Edgecliff fence update – Discussion was held on the fence project, which was approved by Council previously. Additional suggestions were made to address the parking situation which contributed to the condition of the road and fence. Council confirmed its decision to proceed with the fence replacement as previously approved. Additional options will be considered.

Parrish Park – A discussion was held on the status of the park project and on sharing information with borough residents. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Lear made a motion that council adjourn the meeting at 9:30 PM. Ms. Becker seconded the motion, which carried.