

Regular Public Meeting
July 17, 2023
7:00 PM
Meeting Minutes

Meeting Location: 150 Brownsville Road

Officials Present: Amber McGough, Christina Reft (via phone), Nick Viglione, Aaron Graham, Lisa Pietrusza (via phone), Brandon Taylor, Paul Doyle (via phone), Rick Hopkinson (Manager), Matt Juzwick (Chief of Police), Phil Quattrone (Code Enforcement Officer), Emily Mueller (Solicitor)

Officials Absent: JoAnna Taylor (Mayor)

A. Agenda

1. Special Presentations

- The Manager presented a plaque in honor of the 50th Anniversary of Maietta's Restaurant.

2. Public Hearings

- Maria Moore, on behalf of Carol Finch, requested that Council consider allowing parking on one side of the street in the 700-block of Louisa Street. Council restricted parking in the 700-block of Louisa Street because the narrow width of the street made it difficult for emergency vehicles. No action to allow parking was recommended by Council.

3. Reports

- There was no Fire Report.

4. General

- Motion to approve the Minutes from the May 15, 2023 Regular Meeting. Motion made by Viglione. Seconded by Graham. Motion carried.
- Motion to approve Payment Application #2 & Final to Independent Enterprises in the amount of \$27,788.37 for the 2021/2022 Paving Contract. Motion made by Taylor. Seconded by Viglione. Motion carried.
- Motion to approve Change Orders #1 & #2 with Independent Enterprises to decrease the contract net amount by \$50,085.00 to add ADA ramp installation on Ottillia (+\$8,000.00) and remove paving on Ottillia (-\$58,085.00) for the 2023 Paving Contract. Motion made by Graham. Seconded by Taylor. Motion carried.
- Motion to award the 2023 CCTV Contract to State Pipe in the amount of \$29,195.00. Motion made by Graham. Seconded by Viglione. Motion carried.
- Motion to approve Payment Application #1 & Final to Soli Construction in the amount of \$9,100.00 for the 2023 Excavation Repairs Contract. Motion made by Graham. Seconded by Taylor. Motion carried.
- Motion to approve all bills. Motion made by Graham. Seconded by Taylor. Motion carried.

- Motion to adopt Resolution 893-23 – Appointing Harshman CE Group as additional Building Inspector, contingent upon the professional service fee schedule being the same as 2022 or inapplicable. Motion made by Viglione. Seconded by Graham. Pietrusza voted No. Motion carried.

5. Committee Reports

- School District Report
 - Nothing new to report.

6. New Business

- Zoning Ordinance Update
 - Council concurred with the recommended changes to the Zoning Ordinance, so the Manager will work with the Planning Commission to schedule Public Hearing.
- Transverse Park Master Plan Study Committee
 - Viglione made a motion to appoint the following slate to the Transverse Park Master Plan Study Committee. Graham seconded the motion. Pietrusza voted No. Motion carried.
 - Tina Reft (Council Member)
 - Aaron Graham (Planning Commission Member)
 - John Michener (Public Works Supervisor)
 - Dennis Guy (First Sip Studios – Business Owner)
 - Jordan Gilliam (Tech 25 – Youth Organization)
 - Melissa Ferraro (Sisters Place – Social Service Organization)
 - Meg O’Brien (Hilltop Alliance – Community Development Corporation)
 - Annie Fox (Grow Pittsburgh)
 - David Beltz (Resident)
 - Govind Girish (Resident)
- Boards and Commissions
 - Civil Service Commission
 - Graham nominated Colleen Pack to fill the vacancy of Harold Keener on the Civil Service Commission. Viglione seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - Zoning Hearing Board
 - Viglione nominated Frank Bernardini to fill the vacancy of Donna Smith on the Zoning Hearing Board. Doyle seconded the motion. McGough voted Yes. Graham, Taylor, Reft, and Pietrusza voted No. Motion did not pass.
 - Taylor nominated Deborah Viglione to fill the vacancy of Donna Smith on the Zoning Hearing Board. Viglione seconded the motion. Reft, McGough, and Doyle voted Yes. Graham and Pietrusza voted No. Motion carried.
 - Taylor nominated Govind Girish to fill the vacancy of Bernie Pawloski on the Zoning Hearing Board. Graham seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- Taylor nominated Frank Bernardini as alternate to the Zoning Hearing Board. Bernardini declined.
- Trash Hauling
 - Reft made a motion to adopt the Articles of Agreement with Westmoreland Sanitary Landfill – the low bidder for traditional collection. Viglione seconded the motion. Pietrusza voted No. Motion carried.
- The Manager recommended to Council that the Borough should consider a permitting process for individuals and business owners interested in renting The Deck. Council concurred and the Manager will present a draft policy at a future meeting.
- Pietrusza discussed parking enforcement and the language used in the enforcement letter.

7. Upcoming Meetings & Events / Announcements

B. Questions & Answers

- Borough officials & staff answered questions from the public.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.