

LATROBE CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2017
LATROBE, PENNSYLVANIA

Mayor Wolford called the TEFRA Public Hearing to order at 6:30 P.M. Solicitor for Industrial Development Authority Robert Lightcap gave a summation of the requirements and the scope for this project. Mr. Lightcap explained that the Internal Revenue Code requires a TEFRA Public Hearing, and approval from both municipalities; City Council and the geographic site municipality that for this project is the Westmoreland County Board of Commissioners. The project is for the rehab of the dining hall at Seton Hill University. The dining hall is over 100 years old, and the total cost of the project is 9.3 million to be borrowed from First Commonwealth Bank. Mr. Lightcap stated the City has no borrowing or liability for the project.

Mayor Wolford asked for public comment.

No public comment.

Mayor Wolford closed the Public Hearing at 6:38 P.M.

Mayor Wolford called to order the Regular Monthly Meeting of Latrobe City Council at 6:39 P.M.

Mayor Wolford asked all to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Wolford asked all for a moment of silence.

The City Secretary read Roll Call:

Eric Bartels - present

John Murtha – present

Christine Weller - present

Robert Forish - present

Deputy Mayor Gerald Baldonieri - present

Julie Bisi - present

Mayor Rosemarie Wolford - present

Also present were the following: Wayne B. Jones, City Manager; Zachary Kansler, Solicitor; Michael Gray, Public Works Director; John Brasile, Fire Chief.

Mr. Forish moved to adopt the December 12, 2016 minutes, second by Mrs. Weller. Vote 7-0.

BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT

Total Expenses	\$220,330.45
Total Payroll	<u>101,530.56</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$321,861.01

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS FROM DECEMBER 2016

Treasurer's Report

See attachment "A"

Police Report

See attachment "B"

Public Works Report

See attachment "C"

Fire Report

See attachment's "D"

Code Report

See attachment's "E"

Tax Collector's Report

See attachment "F"

Mr. Forish moved to approve the reports and bills presented for payment, second by Mr. Murtha. Vote 7-0.

CITIZENS' REQUESTS (related to agenda)

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee – Bisi, Wolford.

No report.

Public Safety and Public Works Committee – Bartels, Forish

No report

Personnel Committee – Murtha, Wolford

Mayor reported that Mr. Murtha and she would schedule a meeting with the City Manager to talk about some things.

Events Committee – Baldonieri, Murtha.

No report.

Parking Committee – Bartels, Baldonieri, Forish.

Mayor reported that it is on tonight's agenda to approve the Parking Authority termination.

GLSD Student Showcase Committee - Bisi, Murtha

Ms. Bisi reported that she has not received a reply yet from Judith Swigart from the GLSD.

BOARD/AUTHORITY REPORTS

None.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Public Works Department - No report.

Police Department – No report.

Fire Department – No report.

Code Enforcement - No report.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

RESOLUTION 2017-1

Approving the Latrobe Industrial Development Authority, Seton Hill University Dining Hall Project. Mr. Baldonieri moved to adopt this resolution, second by Ms. Bisi. Vote 7-0.

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE DEPARTMENT

ORDINANCE 2017-1

Amending Chapter 1, Part 2, Section 222 of the Code of Ordinances of the Borough of Latrobe by extending the life of the Latrobe Industrial Development Authority for a term of (50) years. Mr. Murtha moved to enact this ordinance, second by Ms. Bisi. Vote 7-0.

ORDINANCE 2017-2

Establishing wages, hours, and fringe benefits of positions of the City of Latrobe for fiscal year 2017. Mr. Bartels moved to enact this ordinance, second by Mr. Baldonieri. Vote 7-0.

ORDINANCE 2017-3

Amending Chapter 262 of the Code of Latrobe to permit small recreational fires on private property. Mr. Bartels moved to enact this ordinance, second by Mr. Baldonieri. Vote 5-Yes, 2-No (Murtha, Forish).

ORDINANCE 2017-4

Amending City of Latrobe Code Chapter 256, Vehicles and Traffic. Mr. Baldonieri moved to enact this ordinance, second by Mr. Bartels. Vote 7-0.

RESOLUTION 2017-2

Approving the Certificate of Termination of the Latrobe Parking Authority pursuant to 53 PA. C.S.A. §5514 (C). Mr. Forish moved to adopt this resolution, second by Mr. Bartels. Vote 7-0.

Mayor Wolford thanked all members of the Parking Authority, past and present that have served the community so well. Mayor Wolford said other municipalities have been doing similar consolidations. Mayor thanked Martin Molina who has been at the helm for many years and has done a tremendous job along with the current board members.

ORDINANCE 2017-5

Amending Section 3-48 of Chapter 3 of the Administrative Code, Fee schedules, specifically schedule "C", Municipal Waste Disposal fees/rates. Mr. Bartels moved to enact this ordinance, second by Mr. Baldonieri. Vote 7-0.

RESOLUTION 2017-3

Approving a non-exclusive fee rate agreement with Waste Management for Industrial Waste & Disposal Services. Mrs. Weller moved to adopt this resolution, second by Mr. Bartels. Vote 7-0.

Mr. Baldonieri made a motion to approve lease agreements with Windsor Capital Partners, LLC regarding the upgrade of the City of Latrobe's existing telephone system hardware, second by Ms. Bisi. Vote 7-0.

RESOLUTION 2017-4

Resolution authorizing small borrowing for capital purposes under Section 8109 of the Local Government Unity Debt Act to purchase a police car. Ms. Bisi moved to adopt this resolution, second by Mr. Bartels. Vote 7-0

RESOLUTION 2017-5

Resolution authorizing small borrowing for capital purposes under Section 8109 of the Local Government Unity Debt Act to purchase a Ford F-550 truck. Mr. Bartels moved to adopt this resolution, second by Mrs. Weller. Vote 7-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mayor Wolford nominated Thomas Casey for appointment to Latrobe Municipal Authority.

RESOLUTION 2017-6

Appointing member to the Latrobe Municipal Authority. Mr. Baldonieri moved to adopt this resolution, second by Mr. Bartels. Vote 7-0.

Mayor Wolford nominated Ellen Keefe for appointment to Latrobe Municipal Authority as the Derry Township Representative.

RESOLUTION 2017-7

Appointing member to the Latrobe Municipal Authority. Mr. Bartels moved to adopt this resolution, second by Mr. Forish. Vote 7-0.

Mayor Wolford nominated Thomas Horwat for appointment to the Latrobe Zoning Hearing Board.

RESOLUTION 2017-8

Appointing member to the Latrobe Zoning Hearing Board. Mr. Murtha moved to adopt this resolution, second by Mrs. Weller. Vote 7-0.

Mayor Wolford nominated Donald Albert for appointment to the Latrobe Planning Commission.

RESOLUTION 2017-9

Appointment to the Latrobe Planning Commission. Mr. Baldonieri moved to adopt this resolution, second by Ms. Bisi. Vote 7-0.

Mayor Wolford nominated Debra Sardello for appointment to the Latrobe Planning Commission.

RESOLUTION 2017-10

Appointment to the Latrobe Planning Commission. Mr. Forish moved to adopt this resolution, second by Mr. Bartels. Vote 7-0.

Mayor Wolford nominated Thomas Sylvester for appointment to the Latrobe Industrial Development Authority.

RESOLUTION 2017-11

Appointing member to the Latrobe Industrial Development Authority. Mr. Bartels moved to adopt this resolution, second by Mrs. Weller. Vote 7-0.

Mayor Wolford nominated Martin Molina for appointment to the Latrobe Parking Authority.

RESOLUTION 2017-12

Appointing member to the Latrobe Parking Authority. Mr. Bartels moved to adopt this resolution, second by Mr. Baldonieri. Vote 7-0.

Mayor Wolford nominated Bruce Jones for appointment to the Latrobe – GLSD Parks and Recreation Commission.

RESOLUTION 2017-13

Appointing member to the Latrobe – GLSD Parks & Recreation Commission. Mr. Forish moved to adopt this resolution, second by Ms. Bisi. Vote 7-0.

Mr. Baldonieri asked about the tower in the cemetery.

City Manager Jones stated that they were supposed to tear it down in November. Mr. Jones said he would call Sam today.

Mr. Murtha asked about the other side of the electronic sign.

City Manager Jones said that the company that was to do it are paying us back and voiding the contract. He said we would look for another contractor.

Mr. Baldonieri asked about a Welcome to Latrobe Sign.

City Manager Jones said he would look into it. The style will match the other new signs in town.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

OPEN FORUM FOR CITIZENS REQUESTS

None.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

None.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Wolford thanked Mike Gray and his crew for the great job they did during the last significant snowfall.

Mayor Wolford said in regards to the burn permit she struggled with it and was very uncomfortable going against the recommendations of the Fire and Police Departments, but felt obligated to residents that expressed an interest. Mayor Wolford stressed to the residents to be respectful to their neighbors and follow the ordinance. She wants everyone to be safe, and explained that this ordinance is to provide people the opportunity to enjoy the cool evenings with their families. She also said violators would be fined. Copies of the ordinance will be available at the Administration Office. Mayor Wolford said when we figure out how registration will work it will be communicated to the public and it will not be effective until we do that.

Fire Chief Brasile stated the rest of the ordinance is still in effect.

Solicitor Kansler stated the fire codes are still applicable.

Ms. Bisi made a motion to adjourn, second by Mr. Forish. Vote 7-0.

Regular Meeting of Council adjourned at 7.25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara J. Buck, Secretary
