

LATROBE CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2009
LATROBE, PENNSYLVANIA

Mayor Marflak called the Regular Monthly Meeting of Latrobe City Council to order at 7:00 P.M. Mayor Marflak asked all to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The City Secretary read Roll Call:

Fabian Giovannagelo - absent
Richard Jim - present
Rosemarie Wolford – present
Michael Skapura - present
Kenneth Baldonieri - present
Charles Dominick - present
Thomas Marflak - present

Also present were the following: Richard J. Stadler, City Manager; James E. Kelley, Solicitor; Joseph Bush, Public Works Director.

Mr. Baldonieri moved to adopt the October 12, 2009 minutes, second by Mr. Dominick. Vote 6-0.

BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT

Total Expenses	\$361,622.26
Total Payroll	<u>90,393.94</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$452,016.20

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS FROM OCTOBER 2009

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"

Mrs. Wolford moved to approve the reports and bills presented for payment, second by Mr. Baldonieri. Vote 6-0.

CITIZENS' REQUESTS

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

BOARD/AUTHORITY REPORTS

None.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**RESOLUTION 2009-45**

Land development request of Arcmaster Enterprises, Inc. Mr. Dominick moved to adopt this Resolution, second by Mr. Skapura. Vote 6-0.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Mrs. Wolford made a motion to authorize the Solicitor to prepare and advertise an Ordinance to repeal Resolution No. 2003-17 and Ordinance No. 2004-12, both of which authorize the purchase of life insurance to prevent the depletion of pension plan assets due to the catastrophic loss that results from a police officer being killed in service, second by Mr. Baldonieri. Vote 6-0.

RESOLUTION 2009-46

Establishing a handicap parking space at 29 East Second Avenue. Mr. Dominick moved to adopt this resolution, second by Mr. Skapura. Vote 6-0.

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE DEPARTMENT

RESOLUTION 2009-47

Establishing a policy for retention and/or disposition of audio, video, electronic (including webcast) and other recordings of meetings of Latrobe City Council. Mr. Baldonieri moved to adopt this resolution, second by Mr. Jim. Vote 6-0.

Mr. Jim made a motion we permit Westmoreland County Community College to provide an electronic webcast of Latrobe City Council meetings.

Mayor Marflak asked for a second to the motion three (3) times.

Motion fails due to lack of second.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Wolford made a motion to authorize the City Secretary to advertise for applicants for vacancies on various City Boards, Commission and Authorities, second by Mr. Skapura. Vote 6-0.

Mr. Dominick made a motion to accept with regret the resignation of Christopher Bova as the Emergency Management Coordinator for the City of Latrobe, second by Mr. Baldonieri. Vote 6-0.

RESOLUTION 2009-48

Appointment of Carl Bollinger as Emergency Management Coordinator for the City of Latrobe. Mr. Skapura moved to adopt this resolution, second by Mr. Dominick. Vote 6-0.

Mr. Jim asked, in order to establish a better relationship with Westmoreland Community College, if in the future reconsideration could be given to the use of their services in recording or videotaping council meetings.

Mayor Marflak agreed with Mr. Jim and stated it would be great for residents that cannot make it to meetings to be able to have firsthand experience of the council meetings.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Richard Stadler reported to Council that the City received the assessed valuation from the County. He stated that last year CBC acquisition appeal was a loss of 1.8 million and should not have been on the report. Mr. Stadler reported that 2008 compared to 2010, 69,249,670 and 65,756,990 registers a loss of 3,492,680 in just two years. This is a full 5% lost in assessed valuation, and includes CBC of 1.8 million, the new high-rise to HUD of 786,510, Latrobe Specialty Steel of 605,600, and cash loss of 78,585.30 on current millage of 20.5 mil. Mr. Stadler said the state needs to address the issue of exempt properties, as the city has 21 to 22 more of these tax-exempt properties. Mr. Stadler noted that it is nice to see the Schmuckers taking interest in building a new facility, because that's the kind of thing we need.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Marflak thanked the Lions Club for another spectacular Halloween Parade. There were no incidents during Trick or Treat. Mayor Marflak reminded everyone that Wednesday is Veterans Day and encouraged everyone to pay homage to Veterans, active and retired, by attending the parade and service at the Memorial in Veteran's Plaza.

Mr. Dominick made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting of Council, second by Mr. Baldonieri. Vote 6-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:29 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara J. Buck, Secretary
