

VIRTUAL MEETING - JESSUP BOROUGH COUNCIL – FEBRUARY 1, 2021

Immediately following the Public Hearing on proposed Ordinance 2-2021, a regular meeting of Jessup Borough Council held February 1, 2021 at 7:04 PM, in a virtual setting the following business was transacted:

Jerry Crinella, President of Council was chairman of the meeting.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT

Jerry Crinella, present	Gregg Betti, absent
Roberta Galati; present	Peter Larioni, present
Joseph Mellado, present	Rella Scassellati, present
Craig Shander, present	

President Crinella announced an Executive Session was held January 13, 2021 to discuss a personnel matter.

Borough Manager opened all bids received for Kids Korner.

James T O’Hara \$372,922.00	D&M Construction \$360,809.72
Wayco, Inc \$297,083.98	Scartelli Construction \$393,828.04
Linde \$299,705.00	Brandon Balchune Construction \$320,562.00
Pioneer Construction \$311,095.10	

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

No public comment on agenda items.

APPROVALS

A. Motion by Rella Scassellati, second by Roberta Galati to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting held January 4, 2021.

All present in favor; Absent – Gregg Betti

B. Motion by Pete Larioni, second by Rella Scassellati to approve the January Secretary Report.

All present in favor; Absent – Gregg Betti

C. Motion by Joe Mellado, second by Roberta Galati to approve the January Payroll in the amount of \$44,278.29.

All present in favor; Absent – Gregg Betti

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D. Motion by Rella Scassellati, second by Roberta Galati to approve the monthly payments in the amount of \$133,454.89 from General Fund.

All present in favor; Absent – Gregg Betti

Mr. Steve Pitoniak, Hose Company Number 2 summarized the 2020 Fire - Rescue – Emergency Medical Service report.

BOROUGH DEPARTMENTS AND OFFICIALS

Mayor Buckshon, Jr. reported he issued his first snow emergency plan. Thank you to Steve Pitoniak for his years of service as a volunteer firefighter and Chief. Informed Council the police chief is working on quotes for new equipment for the department.

Has received many requests for a dog park; the Heritage Center may be a good place to build.

Controller Wasilchak summarized the financial reports; general fund balance low for a few months until real estate and other taxes are received.

Tax Collector gave year end report of taxes collected for 2020.

Planning Commission at its January meeting reviewed, and recommended approval of plans Settlers View submitted with conditions; plans to be signed after all conditions met. NPDES permit modification has been received; applicant to present two (2) waiver requests to Council.

Zoning Officer no report

Zoning Hearing Board Chairman Cardoni has no to report

DPW no report; on snow plowing detail

Police Chief reported incidents for the month of January. Received a reporting of resident heating living space with 20 pound propane heater.

Civil Service Commission Chairperson Robert Sebastianelli reports activity in preparation of activation of the Commission for the purpose of hiring full time police officers.

Engineer Mr. Grizzanti advises reverting back to original basic salt shed with tarp style top.

Wayco is a responsible bidder, been around a long time, do nice work.

Moving forward on replacing the sewer main on Hilltop Drive as soon as possible, weather has delayed project, as well as the stormwater project on State Street.

Mylert Street sewer project may or may not qualify for CDBG funding.

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John Mandarano will prepare the Ward Street stormwater project with the Front Street option; easement from the Domiano family could not be obtained; looking at putting out for bid sometime in March 2021. Walsh Street pump station will be a bid for concrete vault only, and renting of the pumps when necessary.

Settlers View; NPDES condition has been met, still waiting on the two (2) required waivers to be submitted to the Borough.

Will watch progress on Jessup Crossings development in regards to permits; HOP is good one (1) year, NPDES five (5) years.

Councilman Larioni spoke with Mr. Richard Evans; necessary change in developer for Jessup Crossings; BHR distribution to begin in two (2) to three (3) months.

Councilwoman Scassellati comments on the walk through with Leeward Construction for Church Street sewer improvement project.

Solicitor comments once descriptions received for easements in relation to changes on the Ward Street project the turn around should be relatively quick. Grease trap ordinance review from zoning officer and engineer

Borough Manager recommends Borough purchase its own video recorder for pre and post construction of Borough projects; spoke with Mr. Mark Avellino of the Jessup Youth Sports Association plan to meet in March; received list of Jessup residents in the Archbald zip code to verify tax dollars allocated to Jessup.

Lackawanna Energy Center – Mr. Harry Weiss states Host agreement payment has been dispersed.

BOROUGH OFFICIALS

Pete Larioni nothing to report

Roberta Galati agrees video camera good idea; proposed proclamations for Mr. James Brunozzi, and Mr. Steve Pitoniak

Craig Shander comments on the bids received for Kids Korner

Joe Mellado nothing to report

Rella Scassellati likes idea of camera purchase; applications previous to advertising of opening

Reported on the Finance Committee

Gregg Betti absent

Jerry Crinella report from the Stormwater Committee; cost for pumps on Walsh Street approximate cost \$40,000.00, and provided summary of the decision made to rent pumps. Comments on both Ward Street and Bridge Street stormwater projects.

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Stormwater Committee will not meet in January.

COMMUNIUCATIONS

1. Monthly Lackawanna Energy Center hotline report
2. Request from Corey Mahon to add the 200 block of Front Street
3. Lackawanna Energy Center semi-annual stormwater report; July through December

MOTIONS

- a. Motion by Rella Scassellati, and second by Roberta Galati to adopt Ordinance No. 2-2021, amending the Uniform Construction Code.
All present in favor; Gregg Betti - absent
- b. Motion by Roberta Galati, second by Joe Mellado to adopt Ordinance No. 3-2021, regulating the parking of motor vehicles on the streets of the Borough of Jessup during snow events.
All present in favor; Gregg Betti - absent
- c. Motion by Pete Larioni, second by Craig Shander to appoint Attorney Maura Armezzani as solicitor to the IPMC Appeals Board at a rate of \$75.00 per hour for services rendered.
All present in favor; Gregg Betti - absent
- d. Motion by Joe Mellado, second by Rella Scassellati to hire Tyler Havirlak as a full-time employee in the Jessup Borough Department of Public Works at a rate of \$17.61 per hour in his 90day probationary period.
All present in favor; Gregg Betti - absent
- e. Motion by Roberta Galati, second by Pete Larioni to approve the final land development plan for Setters View with the following conditions: 1) approval of the minor modification to the existing NPDES permit; 2) waiver granted to reduce the easement for drainage facilities from 20' to 15'; and 3) waiver granted from the Jessup Borough Stormwater Ordinance concerning spillways. This motion shall also include Borough Council granting said waivers requested.
All present in favor; Gregg Betti - absent
- f. Motion by Rella Scassellati, second by Roberta Galati to accept the bid of Wayco, Inc. for Kids Korner Playground in the amount of \$297,083.98 contingent upon satisfactory review of said bid by the Borough Engineer.
All present in favor; Gregg Betti - absent
- g. Motion by Rella Scassellati, second by Roberta Galati directing the Civil Service Commission to prepare an eligibility list for the position of full time police officer.

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All present in favor; Gregg Betti - absent

h. Motion by Pete Larioni, second by Joe Mellado to hire an Asbestos company to inspect the Heritage Center.

All present in favor; Gregg Betti - absent

i. Motion by Roberta Galati, second by Joe Mellado to approve mailing of the Jessup Newsletter and Stormwater flyer with the 2021 tax bills.

All present in favor; Gregg Betti - absent

OLD BUSINESS

Genie Lupini asks Council to consider purchasing and installing a safety glass window for the tax office.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business introduced

PUBLIC COMMENT (GENERAL)

1. Genie Lupini, 21st Century printing a cookbook; would like to apply for grant funds in partnership with the Borough, possibly Arts & Culture Grant or LVHA Grant.

Heritage Center seems too expensive to fix; may be a good dog park area.

2. Joe Cirba thanks Bobby Keith for working for the Borough to plow and salt.

3. Corrine Sebastianelli questions when the Ward Street project will bid, and construction to begin.

Motion to adjourn by Peter Larioni, second by Joe Mellado at 8:35 P.M.

Secretary/Treasurer
Mia Stine