

CONYNGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION
Tuesday, September 19, 2017

Conyngham Borough Council met in Regular Session on Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at 7:02 p.m. in Council Chambers, Municipal building, 215 Main Street, Conyngham, Pennsylvania. The meeting was called to order by Council President Gary Gregory, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited and roll call was taken.

Roll Call:

Present: Fuccile, Gallagher, Gregory, Hawk, Jones, McKee, Schneider.

Absent: None.

Others Present: Solicitor, Secretary, Treasurer.

Absent: Mayor.

Citizens: Tim Ference, Linda Grencavich, Matt Balliet, John Gregory, Kenneth Zepewsky.

Public Comment: None.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion

Motion to Approve Minutes from Regular Session August 15, 2017 – Fuccile. Second – Jones.

Questions on the Motion: None.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Mayor: Absent. The Department responded to twenty two (22) offenses, incidents and/or requests for the month of August. Twelve (12) written warnings were issued. Report is on file.

President Gregory commended the Police Department for the excellent work regarding the Borough drug bust and confiscation of sixty two (62) marijuana plants.

Fire, Rescue & EMA: Conyngham had three (3) Fire and Rescue calls and seventeen (17) EMS calls for the month of August.

Treasurer: The August report was reviewed in detail at the Work Session. A copy of the report is available for public inspection and is on file.

Motion

Motion to Accept the August 2017 Treasurer’s Report – Schneider. Second – Gallagher.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Fuccile	-	Affirmative	Gallagher	-	Affirmative
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Hawk	-	Affirmative
Jones	-	Affirmative	McKee	-	Affirmative
Schneider	-	Affirmative			

Treasurer Blase requested a Motion to approve the list of obligations in the amount of \$ 73,609.84.

Motion

Motion to Approve the Bills – Jones. Second – Fuccile.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Fuccile	-	Affirmative	Gallagher	-	Affirmative
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Hawk	-	Affirmative
Jones	-	Affirmative	McKee	-	Affirmative
Schneider	-	Affirmative			

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Motion to Approve 2018 MMO Police Pension Plan \$0.00 & 2018 MMO Non Uniform Pension Plan \$5,449.00 – Hawk. Second – McKee.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Fuccile	-	Affirmative	Gallagher	-	Affirmative
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Hawk	-	Affirmative
Jones	-	Affirmative	McKee	-	Affirmative
Schneider	-	Affirmative			

Solicitor: President Gregory reviewed Ordinance # 306 \$120,000.00 General Obligation Note 3.25% interest per annum with a ten (10) year term.

Motion

Motion to Adopt Ordinance # 306 \$120,000.00 General Obligation Note - Schneider. Second – Fuccile.

Questions on the Motion: Councilwoman Hawk reviewed the amortization schedule.

Public Comment: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Fuccile	-	Affirmative	Gallagher	-	Affirmative
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Hawk	-	Negative
Jones	-	Affirmative	McKee	-	Affirmative
Schneider	-	Affirmative			

Motion

Motion to Accept Landmark Bank \$120,000.00 Commitment Letter - Gallagher. Second – Jones.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Fuccile	-	Affirmative	Gallagher	-	Affirmative
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Hawk	-	Negative
Jones	-	Affirmative	McKee	-	Affirmative
Schneider	-	Affirmative			

Discussion ensued regarding the appointment of Madelyn M. Lawson as Deputy Tax Collector since a resignation has not been received from current deputy Betty Jane Gasper.

Motion

Motion to Table Appointment of Madelyn M. Lawson Deputy Tax Collector – Hawk. Second – Gregory.

Questions on the Motion: None.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Motion

Motion to Adopt Resolution 13 of 2017 Authorizing Transfer of Lot 1 of Conyngham Borough Subdivision to Conyngham-Sugarloaf Joint Municipal Authority - Fuccile. Second – Hawk.

Questions on the Motion: None.

Public Comment: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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Fuccile	-	Affirmative	Gallagher	-	Abstain
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Hawk	-	Affirmative
Jones	-	Affirmative	McKee	-	Affirmative
Schneider	-	Affirmative			

Recreation:

Motion

Motion to Approve B&B Fencing Quote to Replace North/South Side Fence at Whispering Willows \$1,500.00 – Schneider. Second – Jones.

Questions on the Motion: Councilwoman Hawk questioned if Council was going to wait until spring to complete – No.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Fuccile	-	Affirmative	Gallagher	-	Affirmative
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Hawk	-	Affirmative
Jones	-	Affirmative	McKee	-	Affirmative
Schneider	-	Affirmative			

Discussion ensued regarding the installation of a warning track at the Babe Ruth Field.

Motion

Motion to Authorize Vice President Schneider to Formulate a Plan to Design Warning Track and Councilman Gallagher to Investigate Required Permitting – Gregory. Second – Jones.

Questions on the Motion: None.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Planning & Zoning: The Zoning Report was read into the record. There were two (2) permits issued and nineteen (19) concerns addressed/actions taken.

President Gregory requested the zoning report be reformatted and summarized.

Councilman Gallagher reviewed the Cara Stormwater Management Plan in detail.

Motion

Motion to Approve Cara Stormwater Management Plan Pending Engineer Review & Approval - Gregory. Second – Jones.

Questions on the Motion: Councilwoman Hawk questioned approval before Engineer review. President Gregory advised Council did not want to hold up the project.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Fuccile	-	Affirmative	Gallagher	-	Abstain
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Hawk	-	Negative
Jones	-	Affirmative	McKee	-	Affirmative
Schneider	-	Affirmative			

Department of Public Works: 2018 Liquid Fuels Allocation \$66,930.37.

MS4 Notice of Intent was filed on September 13, 2017.

Buildings & Grounds:

Motion

Motion to Approve Building Use Request Conyngham Code Crackers – Gregory. Second – Fuccile.

Questions on the Motion: None.

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No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Grants:

Motion

Motion to Approve Partial Payment Request DCNR Whispering Willows to Nature Park Connection \$119,700.00 – Gregory. Second – Jones.

Questions on the Motion: Councilwoman Hawk questioned if this was for the George Estate purchase – Yes.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Fuccile	-	Affirmative	Gallagher	-	Affirmative
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Hawk	-	Affirmative
Jones	-	Affirmative	McKee	-	Affirmative
Schneider	-	Affirmative			

Police: Nothing at this time.

New Business: None.

Old Business: Councilman Gallagher stated the Conyngham-Sugarloaf Joint Municipal Authority received well over 100 on-lot surveys with an additional 20 needed. The Act 537 Plan is on track to be submitted March/April 2018. Meetings will be held with the Borough and Township as well as the Public.

Catch-All: None.


Public Comment: None.

Motion to Adjourn at 8:01 pm – Fuccile. Second – Gallagher.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

An Executive Session was held regarding personnel and litigation.

ATTEST:


Secretary