

CONYNGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION
Thursday, November 8, 2018

Conyngham Borough Council met in Regular Session on Thursday, November 8, 2018 at 7:00 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, Gregory, Hawk, Reber, Schneider.

Absent: Gallagher, McKee.

Others Present: Mayor, Solicitor, Secretary/Treasurer, Police Chief.

Absent: None.

Citizens: Linda Grencavich, Thomas Licurgo, Carol Ference, Thomas J. Wozniak.

Public Comment: None.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion

Motion to Approve Minutes from Regular Session October 11, 2018 – Reber. Second – Fuccile.

Questions on the Motion: None.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Mayor: The Department responded to thirty-one (31) offenses, incidents and/or requests for the month of October. Four hundred sixteen (416) miles were patrolled and five (5) miles of foot patrols were conducted. Report is on file.

Mayor Yourechko thanked both the CVCO and CVHS for the opportunity to judge the Halloween Parade and read for the Haunted Cemetery Tour. Both events were a success.

Fire, Rescue & EMA: Conyngham had six (6) Fire and Rescue calls and seven (7) EMS calls for the month of October.

A meeting was held with Chief Balliet to review electrical quotes for the Fire Station. Borough approval will be required for any work to proceed in Spring 2019.

Valley Regional held trick or treat at the firehouse.

Treasurer: The Treasurer reviewed the October 2018 report in detail. A copy of the report is available for public inspection and is on file.

Motion

Motion to Approve October Financial Report – Fuccile. Second – Schneider.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Fuccile	-	Affirmative	Gallagher	-	Absent
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Hawk	-	Affirmative
McKee	-	Absent	Reber	-	Affirmative
Schneider	-	Affirmative			

The Treasurer requested a Motion to approve the list of obligations in the amount of \$ 398,019.90.

Motion

Motion to Approve the Bills – Reber. Second – Hawk.

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Questions on the Motion: The Mayor requested at least one portable toilet for Christmas in Conyngham be handicapped accessible.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Fuccile	-	Affirmative	Gallagher	-	Absent
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Hawk	-	Affirmative
McKee	-	Absent	Reber	-	Affirmative
Schneider	-	Affirmative			

The 2019 Budget has been prepared and presented to Council for their review and input.

Motion

Motion to Opt Out of the 2019 Solvency Fee – Gregory. Second – Fuccile.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Fuccile	-	Affirmative	Gallagher	-	Absent
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Hawk	-	Affirmative
McKee	-	Absent	Reber	-	Affirmative
Schneider	-	Affirmative			

Per the recommendation of our insurance carrier, a Fleet Safety Program has been prepared and presented for Council to review. The Solicitor will review and provide a recommendation to Council.

Solicitor: The Solicitor reviewed the LC CDBG Engineering RFP process for Council. Council will score each firm accordingly.

Recreation: Whispering Willows Park Rules and Regulation signs were presented for Council for review and approval. It is estimated five to six signs will be necessary to properly post.

Motion

Motion to Approve Rules & Regulations with Stipulation of Last Sentence to be Added by Borough Solicitor – Schneider. Second – Fuccile.

Questions on the Motion: None.

Public Comment: None.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Discussion ensued on size and pricing of signs.

Planning & Zoning: President Gregory read Mr. Byorek's resignation effective November 2, 2018 into the record.

Motion

Motion to Approve the Resignation of Bernard Byorek, Zoning Officer - Hawk. Second - Fuccile.

Questions on the Motion: Councilwoman Reber questioned reason. President Gregory stated personnel issues cannot be discussed publicly.

No Roll Call. Affirmative – Fuccile, Gregory, Hawk. Negative – Reber, Schneider. Motion carries.

Motion

Motion to Advertise in the Conyngham Community News for Zoning Officer – Fuccile. Second – Hawk.

Questions on the Motion: None.

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No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Mayor Yourechko thank Mr. Byorek for his service.

The Solicitor advised Council an interim Zoning Officer should be appointed to handle outstanding applications.

Chief Harris stated he would fill in until a new officer is appointed.

Motion

Motion to Appoint Chief Anthony Harris Interim Zoning/Code Enforcement for a Term Not to Exceed December 31, 2018 – Fuccile. Second – Schneider.

Questions on the Motion: None.

Public Comment: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Fuccile	-	Affirmative	Gallagher	-	Absent
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Hawk	-	Affirmative
McKee	-	Absent	Reber	-	Affirmative
Schneider	-	Affirmative			

Department of Public Works/Building & Grounds: The CVCO Electrical Agreement will be presented at CVCO Board Meeting on Tuesday, November 13, 2018 for approval.

Discussion ensued regarding Fifteen (15) Minute Parking signage on Main Street across from the Post Office.

Motion

Motion to Approve CVHS 2019 Building Use Request – Fuccile. Second – Reber.

Questions on the Motion: None.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Solicitor will prepare DPW Foreman Contract for Council review.

Motion

Motion to Approve DPW Foreman Robert Babenko Two Additional Sick Days, One Additional Vacation Day & One Additional Personal Day for November/December 2018 - Fuccile. Second – Schneider.

Questions on the Motion: None.

Public Comment: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Fuccile	-	Affirmative	Gallagher	-	Absent
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Hawk	-	Affirmative
McKee	-	Absent	Reber	-	Affirmative
Schneider	-	Affirmative			

Motion

Motion to Approve Payment Application 4 Sugarloaf Avenue Phase I \$9,867.69 & Phase II \$16,754.87 - Fuccile. Second – Reber.

Questions on the Motion: Councilwoman Hawk questioned if this is the final payment – Yes.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Fuccile	-	Affirmative	Gallagher	-	Absent
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McKee	-	Absent	Reber	-	Affirmative
Schneider	-	Affirmative			

New Business: Vice President Schneider provided an update on COG utilizing a Shared Equipment List. Any request must be approved by DPW Foreman. COG is looking into the possibility of a Multi-Municipal Grant application.

Vice President Schneider requested an Executive Session for Personnel.

Old Business: None.

Catch-All: Councilman Fuccile questioned the budget figures. The Treasurer stated the figures were based upon YTD Actual plus November/December 2017 with appropriate increases as necessary.

Vice President Schneider read the Whispering Willows Historical Data into the record.

Public Comment: Thomas Licurgo stated he is the liaison for Christmas in Conyngham.

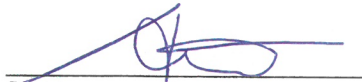
Tom Wozniak questioned if Council received his Zoning Complaint – Yes. He reviewed the Complaint in detail to provide Council with a better understanding of the land disturbance. Three weeks have passed since original occurrence and he would like resolution. The Solicitor will review.

An Executive Session will be held at conclusion for Personnel.

Motion to Adjourn at 8:10 PM - Fuccile. Second – Schneider.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

ATTEST:



Secretary