Archbald Borough Council Meeting Wednesday, November 8, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Maria Tomassoni. A moment of Silence was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call: Owen, Mancuso, Grandinetti, Shnipes, Jr., Munley and Hart present. Mayor Barrett was in attendance.

Dedication of Council Chambers to the Memory of Borough Secretary Leonard E. Hosie Gina Tomassoni Proclamation

Tax Anticipation Note Proposals: Fidelity Bank 1.37% no fees, no deposits. Honesdale National Bank 1.8% no fees, no deposits. Peoples Security Bank 1.25% deposit and bank relationship needed. FNCB 1.4% Deposit and bank fees. Fidelity is lowest bidder with no conditions.

Public Input

Nancy Edmunds asked if December 4th is the last day for grass clippings. Mr. Giordano stated yes it is. Ms. Edmunds asked about the Staback Park agreement, Atty. O'Connor stated he will try to schedule a meeting this week. Ms. Edmunds asked if the 2018 budget is available for public inspection. Mr. Giordano stated Ms. Edmunds can see it tonight after the motion is approved. Ms. Edmunds asked if the Tax Collector can sign the reports that are given to treasurer. Ms. Edmunds stated she is upset the tax collector accepts cash for tax payments. She suggests nothing is paid for with cash. Ms. Edmunds stated she feels the tax collector should be audited by Archbald Borough and will be at every meeting until she is. Jerry Burns 311 Columbus Drive is asking about the ditch next to his house. Mr. Burns stated Mr. Zielinski, Mr. Giordano and Mr. Marion looked at the ditch next to his house. Mr. Burns stated they spoke about putting rip rock in it, but the veggitation will still grow and the borough crew will have to get in there and cut it. Mr. Giordano stated they discussed piping the ditch; it will cost a little more but will be a permeant solution. Mr. Giordano stated the pipe is probably the way the bough will precede in this ditch.

Robbie Turlip stated the Hometown Hero Banners will come down on November 19th. They will be cleaned and stored until next year. The 2nd stage of banner meetings will be January 16, 2018, January 21, 2018 and January 23, 2018. Mr. Turlip stated his committee will do an assessment of poles in the borough. The 2nd stage banners will be \$225.00 and will measure 30"x66". Any and all information will be available at these meetings.

New Business

Hart stated he has received calls on some pole lights needed in town. Ms. Tomassoni stated she will ask the Chief to look at the streets in question and let Jack know if lights are needed. Grandinetti stated the Pike Street Park is in need of new items for children to crawl on. He stated the ones at the park with need work or to be replaced.

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Shnipes Jr. stated the slide at the Eynon Park that was taken down due to it not being safe, needs to be replaced.

Mancuso stated he has received calls for a street light needed at Bell Air and Lucas Drive. Chief Trently will also look at this area.

Munley suggested the borough identifies the worst roads in the borough and do a cost estimate on them.

Owen had nothing at this time.

Mayor Barrett read the police report and stated the Tree lighting in Eynon is on November 25th at 4 o'clock and festivities after at the Eynon/Sturges Hose Company.

Tomassoni stated the Santa Train will be December 2nd at 11:35am; they will have treat bags, food and drinks. December 17th an Old Fashion Christmas festival will take place from 6-9pm at 400 Church Street, Archbald. There will be a movie in the gym, traditional Christmas Music Carriage Rides and a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus.

Motions

Motion by Munley, second by Shnipes, Jr. to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2017 regular Council Meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Munley, second by Grandinetti to accept Reports – Treasurer, Building Inspector and Mayor's Report. Mancuso, Munley, Shnipes, Jr., Grandinetti Hart and Tomassoni for it, Owen against. Motion carried.

Motion by Munley, second by Grandinetti authorizing payment of September HNB General Fund bills totaling \$343,567.36, October NBT General Fund bills in the amount of \$86,690.72 and Memorial Park Account bill in the amount of \$150.00. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Munley, second by Grandinetti to present the proposed FY2018 Budget for Public Inspection with actual adoption at the December monthly meeting of Borough Council. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Shnipes, Jr., second by Owen to hire Joseph Miraglia as a temporary 32 hr./wk. assistant to the Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer at a rate of \$12.00 per hour. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

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Motion by Owen, second by Munley to enter into a \$1 lease agreement with the Archbald Historical Society for lease of vacant second floor office space. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Owen, second by Shnipes Jr. to award the 2018 \$450,000 Tax Anticipation Note to Fidelity Bank at 1.37% interest per annum. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Munley, second by Grandinetti to send Dawn Rudalavage to a Grant Writing course January 29-31, 2018 in the amount of \$450.00. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Shnipes, Jr., second by Owen to adjourn. All in favor, motion carried

Attest:

Dawn Rudalavage

Borough Secretary-Treasurer

Archbald Borough

Maria Tomassoni

President of Council

Minutes prepared by Dawn M. Rudalavage, Borough Secretary-Treasurer