

WILKINSBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
Council Work Session
March 4, 2020

Call to Order

President Macklin called the meeting to order at approximately 7:00 P.M. in Council Chambers, second floor of the Municipal Building, 605 Ross Avenue, Wilkinsburg, PA 15221.

Roll Call

The roll was called to establish a quorum.

Council Members Present:

Ms. Edwards
Ms. Haughton
Mr. Lefebvre
Mr. Petrulli
Mr. Scott
Ms. Trice
President Macklin.

Council Members Absent:

Ms. Atkins
Ms. Edmunds

Mayor

Mayor Garrett - Absent

A quorum was established.

Other attendees:

Borough Manager – Donn Henderson
Assistant Borough Manager – Amanda Ford
Library Director – Anne Newborg
Public Works Director – Roy Clark

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Macklin.

Proclamation

- N/A

Presentation

- N/A

Public Comment for Agenda Items

1. N/A

Agenda Items

1. **Resolution 20-010** – Approving Conditional Offer of Employment to Amber Townsend as Part-Time Adult Library Aide at pay rate of \$10.74 contingent upon the requirements of the SEIU Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Motion: Mr. Lefebvre

Second: Ms. Haughton

A vote 7 – 0; Motion carried.

2. **Resolution 20-011** – Approving VPRP Application for 1442 Foliage Street – Janice Crumpton.
 - This item will be postponed until the next meeting.
3. Discussion regarding a position title change of Eastridge Library Manager; to Assistant Library Director and to authorize Borough Manager to advertise the vacant position at salary range \$38,000 - \$40,000 annually.

Motion: Mr. Lefebvre

Second: Mr. Scott

A vote 7 – 0; Motion carried.

4. Discussion regarding Penn Avenue Street Lights to LED Street Lights (59 x \$109.00 = \$6,431.00).
 - There was a limit of 10 per year but has since been lifted by Duquesne Lights.
 - Borough Manager is recommending to replace all of the lights on Penn avenue from the Busway up to Swissvale Avenue.
 - Motion was made to approve this recommendation and to get the lights upgraded as soon as possible.

Motion: Ms. Edwards

Second: Mr. Lefebvre

A vote 7 – 0; Motion carried.

5. Council Committee reports
 - Mayor's Report
 - i. Nothing to report
 - Administrative Committee – Pamela Macklin

- i. Nothing to report
- Blight/Infrastructure Committee
 - i. Ms. Edwards reports that the Blight/Infrastructure committee has reviewed the list of the most dangerous properties (Demolition list)
 - ii. Reviewed the possibility of routine maintenance of recently paved roads
 - iii. Brick Road maintenance/repair options were reviewed.
 - iv. Litter and Graffiti was reviewed, the Magistrate’s office still can issue community service, and we can possibly work with them.
 - v. CCAC is offering free 2 year training for electrical maintenance.
- Business and Job Development Committee
 - i. Nothing to report
- Finance & Budget
 - i. So far everything remains on budget.
- Personnel, Policy & Procedure Committee
 - i.
- Public Safety Committee
 - i. Reviewed response times for Fire & EMS
- Special Events, Music Art & Seniors Committee
 - i. Discussed Art in the Park and possible Vendors
 - ii. Reviewed advertising the events for attendance
 - iii. Exploring the possibility of obtaining grants
- Borough Manager’s Report
 - i. Contract negotiations are continuing with the SEIU, there is a tentative agreement so far.
 - ii. Contract negotiations are still continuing with the Teamster’s union.
- Department of Public Works
 - i. Potholes & Cleanup have been one of the main focuses.
 - ii. Several building improvements at the borough building.
- Wilkinsburg Library
 - i. Spring programming brochures were passed out
 - ii. Antiques, typing classes, children’s programming and more.
 - iii. Working on some improvement; Carpeting, furniture, etc...
 - iv. “Register to vote” instructions will be at the library soon

Public Comment/General Information

1. N/A

Old Business

1. N/A

New Business

1. There will be a meeting tomorrow 3/5/2020 at Pittsburgh Urban Christian School about the possible redevelopment of Mulberry Church.

2. Mr. Scott advises that on March 6, 2020 there will be an Art & Talent Show for Peace at 6:30pm held at South Avenue United Methodist Church.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn – Ms. Trice
Seconded by – Ms. Haughton
Meeting Adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Pamela Macklin
President Council