

AGENDA
PLYMOUTH BOROUGH COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING MAY 21, 2024 at 6:00PM

WORK SESSION: _____

COUNCIL MEMBER'S COMMENTS

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL:

MR. CUNNINGHAM____ MR. MOREHART ____ MR. DIXON, V.P. ____
MS. EROH ____ MR. THOMAS ____ MR. KOBUSKY, P ____
MR. HOGAN____

CITIZEN'S REQUESTS AND COMMENTS REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

CITIZEN'S REQUESTS AND COMMENTS REGARDING GENERAL ITEMS

Agenda voting:

1. Motion to hire cadets:

WHEREAS, At a Special meeting on August 22, 2023 Plymouth Borough Council voted to enter into a contract to sponsor 3 cadets through the Lackawanna College Police Academy;

WHEREAS, In accordance with this agreement, the three cadets Christopher Reilly, John A. Kobusky and Stephen D. Glova graduated from the Lackawanna College Police Academy (Act 120) on May 14, 2024;

WHEREAS, based on the contracts with the three cadets, the Borough takes the following action;

NOW THEREFORE, Christopher Reilly, John A. Kobusky, and Stephen D. Glova, are appointed to the Plymouth Borough Police Department as probationary employee to serve a one hundred eighty (180) days probationary period as a Plymouth Borough Police Officer. During the probationary period the police officer shall not be entitled to and shall not receive any benefits, including but not limited to health care, vacation, sick days, personal days, paid holidays, or any other benefits or rights as specified in the current collective bargaining agreement between the Police Bargaining Unit and Borough. In addition, the employment status during the probationary period will be at will and not change unless appointed to a full-time police position. At the completion of the probationary period, the Plymouth Borough may at its discretion, appoint the probationary officer to the position of full time Police Officer, at which time such appointment will be subject to the terms and conditions of the current collective bargaining agreement between the Borough and the Police Bargaining unit. In addition, during the probationary period, the probationary police officer shall accumulate no seniority rights nor have any rights under the terms and conditions of the current of the foresaid collective bargaining agreement. However, once having been appointed by the Council to a position of Full time Police Officer, the one hundred eighty (180) day probationary period time shall be considered as part of the officers' calculations under the collective bargaining agreement. Also, in the event of appointment on the same day, to a full-time position seniority between appointees will be determined by order of appointment to the position of probationary officer. The order of appointment for purposes of seniority is First Christopher Reilly, Second John A. Kobusky, and Third Stephen D. Glova. These 3 newly appointed officers will be paid \$26.25 per hour worked.

*Mayor to administer the OATH to the three new cadets.

2. Motion to open bids:

Whereas, sealed bids were received at the Plymouth Borough Building, located at 162 W Shawnee Avenue, Plymouth, County of Luzerne, PA, on or before May 21st by 2:00pm;

Whereas the bids were for a tax-exempt note in the amount of \$400,000 to finance the cost to install a Slide Gate to isolate the chamber on Beade Street in Plymouth Borough from the culvert which discharges into the Susquehanna River through the levee;

Whereas; the cost of the project is \$450,025 for which the borough has funds available to pay any costs associated with the project over \$400,000;

I move to open the bids that were received by the deadline of May 21st by 2:00pm.

*I make a motion to move to executive session to review the bids.

3. Motion to award the loan:

4. Motion to approve ORDINANCE 3 OF 2024:

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING ALL PERSONS, PARTNERSHIPS, BUSINESSES, AND CORPORATIONS TO OBTAIN A PERMIT FOR ANY CONSTRUCTION OR DEVELOPMENT; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH PERMITS; SETTING FORTH CERTAIN MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT WITHIN AREAS OF THE BOROUGH OF PLYMOUTH WHICH ARE SUBJECT TO FLOODING; AND ESTABLISHING PENALTIES FOR ANY PERSONS WHO FAIL, OR REFUSE TO COMPLY WITH, THE REQUIREMENTS OR PROVISIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE.

5. Motion: I hereby move to approve the Stipulation of Settlement and Consent Order, copy attached hereto, between Northeast Pennsylvania SMSA Limited Partnership, d/b/a Verizon Wireless v, Plymouth Borough and the Plymouth Borough Zoning Hearing Board regarding a case filed In the United States District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, to Docket No. 3:24-cv-00440-JKM. I further move to authorize the Borough Solicitor, Attorney Michael R. Kostelansky to sign the Stipulation of Settlement on behalf of Plymouth Borough and bind the Borough to the Settlement Agreement.

6. Motion to accept the resignation letter submitted by and for D.J. Allred from the Plymouth Borough Planning Agency effective immediately.

7. Motion to accept minutes from regular monthly council meeting held April 8, 2024.

8. Motion to hire part-time summer help for the Street Department. Said employee/s will be an at will employee and receive \$12.50 per hour for each hour worked. they will receive no benefits of any type, including but not limited to; sick time, vacation time, holiday pay or health insurance coverage. Appointment shall start immediately.

9. Motion pay Kuharchik invoice in the amount of \$1,991.30 for repairs to light at Eno & E Main Street.

10. Motion to submit to for payments of invoices 1((\$63,180.00) & 2 (\$90,335.70) from Penny Supply, for work completed so far on the Inlet Repair & Replacement Project, in the total amount of \$168515.70, which includes engineering costs of \$15,000.00 to Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA)/ DCED. The funds will be drawn from the Multimodal Grant, contract # C000073114, which the borough was awarded on December 30, 2019 and will expire on June 30, 2024.

11. Motion to pay PennEastern Engineers invoice for Coal Creek Project out of the Coal Creek Grant funds in the amount of \$19,909.38.

12. Motion to adjourn.