

PLYMOUTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING-MAY 12, 2020 at 6:00PM

WORK SESSION BEGAN AT 6:00P.M. AMD REGULAR MEETING IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWED:

WORK SESSION NOTES:

>MR. EARL CUNNINGHAM SAID THAT THERE ARE NO PROBLEMS IN THE TOWN AND THAT ALL SEEM TO BE FOLLOWING THE RULES SET IN PLACE. HE ALSO REPORTED THAT PLYMOUTH BOROUGH RECEIVED \$6,500.00 IN REIMBURSEMENT MONEY FROM PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP FOR FIRE COVERAGE PROVIDED BY PLYMOUTH BOROUGH SINCE AUGUST OF 2019.

>MR. ADAM MOREHART GOT THE OK TO START MEETING WITH THE SAFETY COMMITTEE AGAIN AND WILL PICK A DATE FOR THE VERY NEAR FUTURE.

>MR. JOHN THOMAS REPORTED THAT MR. JOHN KOVACH, WILLIAM DIXON AND HIMSELF ARE ABOUT 99% FINISHED UPGRADING THE LIGHTS AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING AND ARE GETTING READY TO START THE SAME UPGRADES AT THE BOROUGH GARAGE.

>MR. WILLIAM DIXON SAID THAT BETWEEN NOW AND THE END OF JUNE, PENNSY SUPPLY WOULD BE STARTING THE PAVING PROJECT THROUGHOUT TOWN. HE WILL INFORM ALL INVOLVED WITH THE PARKING AND SIGNAGE AS NECESSARY.

>MR. RON KOBUSKY, MR. JOHN THOMAS AND MR. WILLIAM DIXON WILL ATTEND A ZOOM MEETING ON MAY 20 AT 10:0A.M. WITH FEMA REGARDING THE FLOOD MAPS.

>MAYOR FRANK COUGHLIN THANKED ALL IN TOWN FOR THEIR COOPERATION REGARDING THE PANDEMIC.

>MR. EARL CUNNINGHAM REPORTED 1,8651 CASES OF THE VIRUS FOR THE COUNTY.

>MR. KOBUSKY REMINDED ALL THAT JUNE 2ND IS PRIMARY ELECTION DAY AND ALL IN-PERSON VOTING FOR THE BOROUGH IS BEING HELD AT THE WYOMING VALLEY WEST SCHOOL GYMNASIUM, AND ALL VOTES WILL BE IN PAPER FORM AND SCANNED INTO AN ONSITE SCANNER. PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO WEAR YOUR MASK.

CALL TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL MR. RON KOBUSKY

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL: ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

MR. CUNNINGHAM; MS. EROH; MR. MOREHART; MR. DIXON, V.P.; MR. RYNCAVAGE; MR. THOMAS; MR. KOBUSKY, P

NO CITIZEN'S REQUESTS AND COMMENTS REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

NO CITIZEN'S REQUESTS AND COMMENTS REGARDING GENERAL ITEMS

AGENDA ITEMS:

MOTION: TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 7 OF 2020 OF THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF PLYMOUTH, LUZERNE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, APPOINTING A LIASON BETWEEN THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AND BERKHEIMER, THE DULY ELECTED TAX COLLECTOR OF LOCAL TAXES FOR PLYMOUTH BOROUGH, FOR THE EXPRESS PURPOSE OF SHARING CONFIDENTIAL TAX INFORMATION WITH PLYMOUTH BOROUGH FOR OFFICIAL PURPOSES.

MR. MOREHART MADE THE MOTION / MR. CUNNINGHAM 2ND
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION: TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 8 OF 2020 OF THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF PLYMOUTH, LUZERNE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANNIA, EXTENDING THE MARCH 29, 2020 PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR DECLARING THE EXISTANCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY TO JUNE 9, 2020.

MR. CUNNINGHAM MADE THE MOTION / MS. EROH 2ND
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION: TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 9 OF 2020 OF THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF PLYMOUTH, LUZERNE COUNTY FOR THE DESTRUCTION OF MUNICIPAL RECORDS FROM 2004; 2006; 2009 AND 2011. ALL BUILDING, ZONING, AND OCCUPANCY PERMITS AND RELATED INFORMATION TO THESE ITEMS FOR THE YEARS STATED ABOVE WILL BE EXCLUDED FROM DESTRUCTION AND SAVED.

MR. MOREHART MADE THE MOTION / MR. THOMAS 2ND
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION: TO APPOINT DAVE BIRD TO FULL TIME POSITION ON THE DPW:

I, HEREBY MOVE TO APPOINT, DAVID BIRD, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, TO A FULL TIME PROBATIONARY POSITION, OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, , AT HIS CURRENT HOURLY RATE OF \$12.00 PER HOUR UNDER THE FOLLOWING TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS HEREIN STATED: SAID DPW WORKER IS TO SERVE A PROBATIONARY PERIOD OF A SIX (6) MONTH AND UNDER THIS PROBATIONARY PERIOD CAN BE TERMINATED FOR ANY REASON WHATSOEVER AND WILL HAVE NO RIGHT OR CLAIM TO THE GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE, HEALTH CARE BENEFITS, SICK LEAVE PAY, VACATION PAY, OR ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN PLYMOUTH BOROUGH AND TEAMSTERS LOCAL UNION NO. 401 COVERING THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2016 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2020.

MR. THOMAS MADE THE MOTION / MR. CUNNINGHAM 2ND
MR. RYNCAVAGE VOTED NO, CITING BUDGET CONCERNS
ALL OTHER MEMBERS PRESENT VOTE YES, SO VOTE PASSED

MOTION: TO HAVE ALEXIS, PLAN TRUSTEE, SIGN BENEFITS AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF PLYMOUTH BOROUGH: I HEREBY MOVE TO APPROVE THE ATTACHED BENEFIT PAYMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT (CONSISTING OF 8 PAGES, COPY ATTACHED), DATED MAY 12, 2020, AND ALL OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS STATED THEREIN WITH SEI PRIVATE TRUST COMPANY, A FEDERALLY CHARTERED SAVING ASSOCIATION, TO PROVIDE TO PLYMOUTH BOROUGH BENEFIT PAYMENT SERVICES FOR THE PLYMOUTH BOROUGH POLICE PENSION PLAN. I FURTHER AUTHORIZE COUNCILPERSON, ALEXIS EROH, WHO IS THE TRUSTEE FOR THE PLAN, TO EXECUTE THE AFOREMENTIONED AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF PLYMOUTH BOROUGH.

MR. DIXON MADE THE MOTION / MR. THOMAS 2ND
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION: TO PAY WILDLAND WAREHOUSE FOR THE BALANCE DUE ON THE FIRE SUSPENSION SKID UNIT INSTALLED ON THE FIRE #2 BRUSH TRUCK.

MR. CUNNINGHAM MADE THE MOTION / MR. DIXON 2ND
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION: TO PAY STU KRASAVAGE BILL IN THE AMOUNT \$2,800.00 FOR REPAIRS TO TWO STORM SEWERS ON FLAT ROAD.

MR. CUNNINGHAM MADE THE MOTION / MR. THOMAS 2ND
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION: TO PAY MONTHLY BILLS:

GENERAL FUND:	20-310GF – 20-421GF
LIQUID FUELS:	20-312LF – 20-323LF
RECREATION FUND:	20-020RF – 20-024RF

MR. DIXON MADE THE MOTION / MR. CUNNINGHAM 2ND
MOTION PASSED

MR. THOMAS VOTED YES TO ALL BILL EXCEPT BILL FOR PAYMENT OF HIS SUPPLIMETAL HEALTH INSURANCE THROUGH A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT.

MOTION TO ADJORN: MR. CUNNINGHAM

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTEDBY:

GAIL BURDULIS, BOROUGH SECRETARY


