

**OLYPHANT BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 6, 2020**

Roll Call: Harrington, Hudak, Frushon, Tully, Krukovitz, Abda, and Baldan were present.

PUBLIC HEARING: Continued until October 13, 2020 at 6:30 PM.

Minutes: A motion was made by Abda and seconded by Krukovitz to accept the minutes from the previous meeting; all members assented.

Bills for Approval: Light Committee: Best Inc. \$738.51, Dempsey Uniform & Linen Supplies \$702.94, Diversified business Forms \$1,300.00, Glen Summit Spring Water \$102.40, Nationwide Employee Benefits \$75.60, PA One Call \$19.60, Tesco \$369.05, Urban Electrical Contractors \$2,659.20, Vision Benefits of America \$55.40, **Total \$6,332.65; Borough Bills:** AJ Gilgallon \$100.00, Animal Arrest \$460.00, ATLAS \$434.00, Berkheimer Associates \$1,696.83, Blakely Borough \$2,875.07, Bradco Supply \$173.00, Building Inspection Underwriters of PA \$2,460.44, Cintas \$360.60, DASH Medical Gloves \$169.12, DGK Insurance \$11,794.94, Dunmore Materials \$525.53, Ehrlich \$4,305.00, F&S Supply \$163.73, Fireman Brian Doughton \$50.00, Fireman David Tully \$100, Robert Powell \$50, First Bankcard \$12.72, Greenfield Power Equipment \$135.72, Hose Co # 1 \$1,000, Hose Co #2 \$1,000, Hose Co# 4 \$1,000, Hose Co.# 6 \$1,000, Hose Co. #8 \$1,000, Jalvo Inc. \$922.00, Jan-Pro of NEPA \$1,415.95, Kovatch Ford Nesquehoning \$350.00, Kwik N Ezy Conveyor Car Wash \$160.00, LRBSA \$612.60, Lackawanna Recycling \$596.40, Lou LaFratte \$11,180.00, Mesko Glass \$340.00, Nationwide Employee Benefits \$94.50, Newday Technologies \$432.43, Northeast Hydraulics \$3,109.49, Olyphant Ambulance \$450.00, One Point \$375.07, PennDot \$527.47, PAWC \$847.09, Pitney Bowes Purchase Power \$251.00, Rossi Rooter \$350.00, Service Tire Truck Center \$8,748.18, Staples \$91.70, Stratix Systems \$6.25, TIAA Bank \$216.23, UGI \$35.89, Vision Benefits of America \$249.30, WE PAY \$452.00, **Total \$62,680.25.** A motion was made by Abda and seconded by Krukovitz, to pay the bills and Light Committee bills when funds are available, on the question Mayor Sedlak asked about the water bill for Condella Park, it was less than month before, most likely it was because of the sprinkler system, all members assented.

Reports: None.

New Business: A motion was made by Tully and seconded by Frushon, adopt a Resolution authorizing the Borough of Olyphant to apply for a Local Share Grant in the amount of \$350,000.00 as partial funding for the Downtown Revitalization Project; all members assented.

A motion was made by Frushon and seconded Krukovitz to Declare that the construction of the Sterry Creek Culvert Project be considered an emergency in order to eliminate an extremely hazardous and emergency condition and the necessity of the public bid requirements be waived and further authorizing the Borough Solicitor/Manager and the Borough Civil Engineer to establish the scope of work of the Project and to select the Contractor for the completion of the Project: all members assented.

A motion was made by Krukovitz and seconded by Tully to approve the new ten (10) year Non-Exclusive Cable TV Franchise Agreement and the ten (10) year Pole Attachment Agreement with Comcast, on the question on the question Frushon asked for an explanation of the agreement, it is to allow Comcast to use the Borough Poles to attach their equipment; all members assented.

A motion was made by Frushon and seconded by Krukovitz to approve a Resolution and Agreement setting forth terms and conditions for acceptance and receipt of Cares Act Funding by Borough of Olyphant, on the question Hudak asked what this pertained to, it was for equipment the Borough purchased and equipment we would like to purchase, to assist with fighting the COVID 19 Pandemic; all members assented.

A motion was made by Tully and seconded by Harrington to purchase a Ford Expedition Police Vehicle and to agree to the terms of payment for Lease/Purchase and Financing with FNB Bank in the total amount of \$57,141.63, all members assented.

A motion was made by Abda and seconded by Krukovitz to continue the meeting until October 13, 2020, for a Public Hearing and for the Regular meeting for General Purposes at 6:30 p.m.

Secretary

John Tomcho

WORK SESSION

Karen McNichols, W Palm St. thanked Council for having the manhole fixed in front of her home, and complimented Hose Co. #2 for their new Firehouse saying it was beautiful; she said she saw where we are making progress on extinguishing the mine fire; She said the Borough should look into making improvements to the sidewalks along S. Valley Ave.; Baldan said we are continuously looking for funding for such projects; she also said the sewer line on her street is higher than her lateral; LaFratte said this is on the sewer project list; she also asked about the progress concerning an abandon truck and junk on a neighbor's porch; Frushon said she looked into it and said the truck is currently registered and is on private property where nothing much could be done, and as far as the porch Frushon said to contact the Code Enforcement Office. Patti O'Malley W Palm St. asked if something could be done to address some vacant store fronts that are unsightly and in deplorable condition; again it was suggested she contact the Code Enforcement Office to file the complaint; Frushon suggested creating a downtown committee which would confront these type of problems, and see what resources are available to help with such situations: O'Malley said it is embarrassing and suggested reaching out to schools to see if they would be interested in adding artwork to these storefronts as an improvement; LaFratte said the County had a Grant Program matching up to \$5,000, for improvements to store in the downtown; LaFratte said the Kiosk have been installed in the new Borough Parking Lot; Hudak asked about taking a look at a depression on the 300 block of Cleveland St. and to see if a streetlight can be re-installed on Cleveland St.; LaFratte said we received a \$50,000 matching grant for Condella Park for playground equipment.