

May 11, 2017

A regular meeting of the Council of the Borough of Trainer was held on the above date at the Trainer Municipal Building, 824 Main Street, Trainer, PA with President Regina Beck calling the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND A MOMENT OF SILENCE

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and followed by a moment of silence.

PRESENT

- Frances Zalewski – Mayor
- Regina Beck – President
- Joseph Maher – Vice President
- John Mathews - Councilman
- Greg Miley – Councilman
- James Cassidy– Councilman
- Ed McDaniel – Councilman
- Awilda Burgos - Councilwoman

Mark Possenti – Manager

Eileen Nelson – Engineer
Mike Sheridan – Solicitor

ABSENT

MINUTES

The minutes of the April meeting were motioned for approval by Councilperson Maher to accept and seconded by Councilperson Miley. Councilperson Cassidy opposed. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND

It was motioned that the proper Borough Officials be authorized to draw orders on the Borough Treasure in favor of the following persons and in the amounts shown. Where such orders have already been drawn, the actions of the Borough Officials in so doing be ratified and confirmed. It was motioned, the April bills for approval by Councilperson Mathews and seconded by Councilperson Miley. Councilperson Cassidy opposed. Motion carried.

APRIL GENERAL FUND BILLS

Paychex Invoice	April 1 Monthly	-93.04
PSAB U/C Plan	1st Quarter Unemployment	-7,501.71
Settlement Express of PA.	Reimburse Reinspect fee 1353 Price St	-75.00
#1 Car Wash Inc.	Clean Police Vehicles March	-200.00
Broomall Truck & Auto Repair	Highway Dump truck	-101.00
Witmer Public Safety Group, Inc	Police equipment (Grant)	-604.10

Mathew Bender & Co, Inc	Vehicle Law/Crime Code Update 2017	-93.16
Premier Window Tinting	Police vehicle (Grant)	-995.00
Sunoco - SunTrak	Police vehicle Fuel	-1,646.38
Marcus Hook/Trainer Fire Dept	2017 1st Quarter Appropriation	-9,250.00
DCED	2017 1st 1/4 Reporting	-80.00
Chester Water - Hydrants	Hydrants	-2,390.20
Verizon Wireless	Police equipment	-32.25
PECO - Park	HJ Park	-6.00
Peco- Penna. Ave	Penna. Ave.	-43.62
PECO - Municipal Bldg.	Municipal Bldg	-697.76
T Frank McCall's Inc	Bldg supplies	-113.74
Staples Advantage	Office supplies	-230.62
Burke Landscape Supply	Bldg mulch	-116.00
Comcast Business	Cable services	-364.15
Talley's Garage & Towing	Police Vehicles	-865.00
De Co Community College	Act 180 Training	-90.00
Witmer Public Safety Group	Police equipment (Grant)	-782.20
Stantec Consulting	Professional Services	-5,820.00
Durham & James, P.C.	Trainer Zoning Hearing	-261.00
George Ely Associates	Basketball equipment	-554.00
Aston Sunoco	Police vehicles	-641.51
Chester-Ridley-Crum Watersheds	CRC Membership 2017	-50.00
United States Postal Service	Large letter mailed	-1.61
Paychex Invoice	April 14 Biweekly	-199.43
Paychex Invoice	April 14 Detail	-159.86
Home Depot	Penna. Ave. keys for Realtor	-5.91
United States Postal Service	Roll stamps Code Office	-49.00
Possenti Consulting, LLC	Services January thru March	-4,725.00
Burke Landscape Supply	Mulch, Tractor parts	-519.70
TD Card Services	Qbooks, web, Police education	-1,016.64
Comcast Cable	Cable Service	-287.50
Broomall Truck & Auto Repair	Highway Dump truck	-305.00
Chester Water - HJP	HJ Park	-36.72
Chester Water - Hwy garage	Highway Garage	-50.13
Chester Water	Penna. Ave.	-36.30
B&L Disposal	Trash service	-6,077.00
J. Michael Sheridan, Esq.	Professional Services Jan and Feb	-2,970.00
DCIU	Health Benefits	-23,643.94
Spirit Media Group, Inc.	Public Notices	-484.70

Arthur J. Gallagher	Secretary Bond increase	-159.00
United Concordia Life & Health	Dental Coverage	-1,495.77
Integral Systems Corp	Computer backup	-50.00
Nextel	Cell phones	-141.49
Marcus Hook Borough	Fire Truck April	-218.23
Marcus Hook Borough	Fire Station April	-1,174.15
Barbacane, Thornton & Co	Professional service	-2,600.00
Charles Higgins & Sons	Street Light maintenance	-111.84
Pa One Call System, Inc.	Monthly fax service	-12.70
PECO Street Lighting	Street Lighting	-1,925.69
De Co Solid Waste Authority	Tipping Fees	-2,639.34
Witmer Public Safety Group	Police equipment (Grant)	-890.70
PECO-Underpass Lighting	Underpass Lighting	-28.95
United States Postal Service	Roll stamps, large letter mailed	-50.40
Ostan, Richard A.	Reimburse medical expense	-326.23
Paychex Invoice	April 28 Biweekly	-123.07
Paychex Invoice	April 28 Detail	-99.86

PAYROLL ACCOUNT

It was motioned by Councilperson Maher and seconded by Councilperson McDaniel that Payroll for the month of April is paid. No opposition. Motion carried.

APRIL PAYROLL FOR ALL EMPLOYEES

Total payroll for the month of April \$83,061.23
 Payroll includes reimbursable Police Detail

LIQUID FUEL BILLS

Liquid Fuel Bills for the month of April meeting were motioned for approval by Councilperson Mathews and seconded by Councilperson Cassidy. No opposition. Motion carried.

APRIL LIQUID FUEL BILLS

Eastern Salt Company	Road Salt	-698.10
Mauger & Co.	Highway vehicle Fuel	-408.21
PECO	Traffic Lighting	-262.40
Pyramid Materials	Cold Patch	-226.80

COMMUNITY CENTER BILLS

Community Center Bills for April meeting were motioned for approval by Councilperson Mathews to accept and seconded by Councilperson Maher. No opposition. Motion carried.

APRIL COMMUNITY CENTER BILLS

PECO electric	460.00 · Utilities	-88.43
PECO gas	Trainer Borough Recreation	-702.16

PERMITS & LICENSE

The Permits of the April meeting were motioned for approval by Councilperson Cassidy and seconded by Councilperson Mathews. No opposition. Motion carried.

PERMITS & LICENSE – APRIL

9 Building permits	\$802.00
1 Contractor license	\$100.00
11 C/O Applications	\$975.00
0 Plumbing permits	\$0
0 Electrical permits	\$0
1 Zoning	\$100.00
1 Other Permits/License	\$1,100.00
Amount turned over to Borough	\$3,077.00

CHESTER WATER AUTHORITY

0 - Street Openings
Amount turned over to Borough \$0

PECO

0 – Street Openings
Amount turned over to Borough \$0

DELCORA

0 – Permits
Amount turned over to Borough \$0

CORRESPONDENCE

It was motioned by Councilperson Maher and seconded by Councilperson Mathews that the correspondence for April be accepted and any necessary action taken. No opposition. Motion carried.

APRIL CORRESPONDENCE

- Received from Keystone an electronic deposits in the amount of \$15,685.97 April EIT distribution.
- Received from Keystone an electronic deposits in the amount of \$179.00 April LST distribution.
- Received from Delaware County Monthly Deed Reconciliation for April and a check in the amount of \$986.86.
- Received from Delaware County Tax Claim Monthly for March and a check in the amount of \$7,949.04.
- Received from Delaware County April Monthly Transfer Report.
- Received from DEP a copy of a letter dated April 7, 2017 sent to Remediation Management in regards to Approval of Cleanup Plan.
- Received from DEP a copy of a letter dated April 26, 2017 sent to Monroe in regards to Storage Tank Program.
- Received from DEP a letter dated May 3, 2017 in regards to NPDES.
- Received from Office of Housing and Development a letter dated April 24, 2017 in regards to CDBG Urban County Qualification FY 2018-2020.
- Received from Eddystone Rail a letter dated April 24, 2017 in regards to Spill Prevention.

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE ON CORRESPONDENCE

None

ANY MATTERS THAT NEED COUNCILMANIC ACTION

All of Council was in agreement to accept letter of intent in regards to Veteran's Drive Memorial from Kevin Cassidy

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MAYOR

Mayor Zalewski reported:

- There a lot of cars on the street from Sun, police are handling traffic.
- A lot of kids on the streets so be careful.
- Again any questions please ask. Delcora has been brought up many times.
- Read a letter from District Attorney stating an investigation into the sewer monies came back unfounded.

***POLICE CHIEF** – Chief Priscopo: No report.

MANAGER

Mark Possenti:

- Meeting about FOP negotiations.
- Grant application for trees in the park has been submitted on time.

FINANCE

Councilman Maher:

- On schedule with finances
- In regards to a literature going around, there was never such a thing as a sewer grant, the allegations of misappropriation of funds from a sewer grant are false.

MUNICIPAL BUILDING/RECREATION

Councilman Mathews:

- Memorial Day service will be held here at 12 noon on Monday May 29th with the American Legion.

FIRE/PARKS/ENVIRONMENT

Councilman Cassidy: Welcome to Trainer's May public Council meeting.

The cosmetic work on the bus shelter at Ridge and Veteran's Drive has finally been completed and is getting used on a regular basis.

Some of the tree work in Johnson's park has been completed. There is a lot more work that needs to be done. No trees have been planted yet but will be in the future. Our guys are also keeping up with whatever they can reach without a bucket truck.

Special thanks to the maintenance and Highway departments for their work with the lining of the courts. Great job and a major cost saving to the residents.

Dog walkers are coming from all over, even out of state to run their pets in Johnson's Park. This is creating a problem as some do not clean up afterwards and let them run loose. Some of our local residents come with their children to practice ball, play tag or touch football or to just run around, and are having to put up with the mess some of these pets are leaving behind. At the Taco Fest recently, someone even let their dog run loose in the area knowing that there was a function going on. No consideration.

Playgrounds are getting a lot of use. I have seen Moms with their little ones using them. So far so good with the basketball courts and thanks to Jennifer Frazier and her family for keeping her promise of keeping an eye on them and has cleaned up on several occasions. Some of our local businesses in the Chichester area are still looking to hire part and full time employees. These jobs may not last long with school getting out for the summer.

As you have seen or heard, there have been some fires in the area that have caused some considerable damage, thankfully no major injuries have been reported. The response time for the fire departments is getting longer and will result in more damage and I would hope no injuries. They need our help in trying to get volunteers. As I said in the past, this is one of the most rewarding jobs knowing that you were part of saving someone's property or even a life. Just imagine if this was your property or a loved one. In addition to that, if you are a first responder, there is now a tax saving incentive for Trainer Borough residents. Many local establishments also give discounts to First responders. Please take this seriously. The problem is not just with Marcus Hook/Trainer Fire Department but all over, so do not count on a neighboring community department to come. They are having the same issues. Besides, the response time gets greater if a neighboring company has to come in.

The monthly fire report for April as follows: Total Alarms 23, Time in Service 12 hrs. 6Min, Total man hours 46hrs, Pump operated 1Hr 30Min, 0 property loss, 0 injuries/fatalities, 11 structure fires, 4 non-structure fires, 0 accidents, 4 hazardous conditions

PUBLIC SAFETY/BOH

President Beck read April Code Enforcement report as follows: issued 9 building permits, 1 Contractor licenses, 59 C/O's, 0 zoning permits and numerous 57 grass violation notices sent out. Occupancy and property maintenance violations.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH/NEWSLETTERS

Councilwoman Burgos:

- Needs 50 Senior's to participate in the Phil Abundance program to receive food.
- Thursday May18 will be Teen Night to educate on various sex and drug issues that will be real and raw.
- Spoke with Chester Water, the double bills we received was due to a glitch in their system and bills are to be sent to the Phila. address.

COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT

Councilman Ed McDaniel:

- Met with a realtor to further discuss getting vacant lots advertised for potential business.

HIGHWAY/STREET LIGHTS

Councilman Miley:

- No response from Kirkland in regards to the storm drains that need repaired on 9th St.
- Highway Dept. is doing a good job in the Borough

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Nothing to report.

TAX COLLECTOR

Mark Possenti read the monthly report for April as follows: Total uncollected as of 4/30 is \$214,746.26. Total collected as of 4/30 is \$82,738.10. Total outstanding bills are 227.

- Tax bill are being collected at the face value until May 31.

SCHOOL BOARD DIRECTOR

Mary Magaw: Graduation is June 12th and the last day of school is June 15th.

MONROE ENERGY

Adam Gattuso was absent.

ENGINEER

Eileen Nelson stated we need to advertise bids for Nealy Blvd. and will be opened at the May 31st Caucus meeting.

Engineer’s Report

Attached

SOLICITOR

Mike Sheridan stated:

- Realtor Brooke Lynch listed 4121 Pennsylvania and has been very active in regards to the property.
- A Court Order dated April 24th in regards to 4226 W. 7th St. was granted to be demolished and liened by the Borough.
- Nealy Blvd. agreements have been prepared.
- Letter went out to Eske to complete their punch list within 30 days.
- Will redirect letter from Firehouse to Marcus Hook Borough, a letter requesting a copy of the original finance documents and financial agreements in regards to the Intermunicipal agreements.

ORDINANCES

- None

RESOLUTIONS

- None

OTHER ACTION ITEMS

- Motion was made by Councilperson Cassidy to advertise to bid for Nealy Blvd. road project and seconded by Councilperson Mathews. No opposition. Motion carried.
- Motion was made by Councilperson Maher to authorize tax collector deposit in the amount of \$82,738.10, seconded by Councilperson Burgos. No opposition. Motion carried.
- Motion was made by Councilperson Cassidy to begin the process needed for Justice Rescue to begin using the Community Center Facility, seconded by Councilperson McDaniel. Councilperson Maher opposed. Motion carried.
- Motion to waive fee for Community Center use to Robin Rokicka to host a cancer fundraiser for her daughter was made by Councilperson Cassidy and seconded by Councilperson Mathews. No opposition. Motion carried.

OLD COUNCILMANIC BUSINESS

None

NEW COUNCILMANIC BUSINESS

Justice Rescue gave a presentation about who they are and what they do. They presented their intent for exclusive use to the Borough Community Center on Chestnut. Most neighboring residents were in favor of Justice Rescue using the facility. Some residents expressed concern of Justice having exclusive use, prohibiting Borough events from being held there. Justice Rescue will be holding stray animals for up to 24 hours here before moving them to their adoption facility. They will be hosting numerous free and/or low cost events open to our Community for adults, children and families.

An agreement may consist of the Borough paying for the utility bills at the Community Center in exchange for animal control services.

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE

Sue Webb, Chestnut St. – Complaint of A&R Ironworks noise in the early morning, letter was sent.

Robin Rokicka, 5th St. – Asked permission to have Fund Raiser for her daughter suffering from cancer at the Community Center, Permission was granted and fee is waived. A lot of overgrowth in alley behind her house, scratching cars and trash cans being left out.

Chuck Miles, Ridge Rd. – Problem with Councilman Cassidy stalking him or being a hemorrhoid.

Resident from 5th St. – Odor complaint from Delcora and/or trash esteem plant. These plants are in Chester.

Resident from Smith St. – Asked if the structure of the agreement and decisions with Justice Rescue would be available to the public. It was stated that the residents have the right to know and are welcome to attend all meetings.

President Beck called an Executive meeting at 8:51 to discuss legal matters.

Council came out of Executive meeting at 8:59pm and resumed the regular meeting.

No further business.

ADJOURNMENT

President Regina Beck called for a motion to adjourn at 9:00 pm; Councilperson Cassidy made the motion to adjourn. Councilperson Maher seconded the motion. No opposition. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria Okolowski
Borough Secretary