

TENTATIVE MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 5, 2024

SHIPPINGPORT BOROUGH COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MEMBERS PRESENT: WILLIAM GREEN – ABSENT, CINDY MORTIMER, JOHN DePAOLIS, JAMES WILKINSON, JOSH ORDICH, PRESIDENT WILLIAMS, JOE HAWTHORNE, MAYOR ERICKSON AND ATTORNEY RICHARD URICK.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – MOTION BY JOE HAWTHORNE AND SECONDED BY JAMES WILKINSON TO APPROVE THE AGENDA....MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

APPROVAL OF TENTATIVE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 6, 2024 – MOTION BY JOSH ORDICH AND SECONDED BY JAMES WILKINSON TO APPROVE THE TENTATIVE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 6, 2024....MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

CORRESPONDENCE – NONE

APPROVAL OF TREASURER’S REPORT – MOTION BY CINDY MORTIMER AND SECONDED BY JOHN DePAOLIS TO APPROVE THE TREASURER’S REPORT , AS PRESENTED,MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

EXPENSES: VEOLIA WATER AND WASTEWATER BILLS FROM JULY 2023 UNTIL DECEMBER 2023...

ATTORNEY ADVISED TO PAY THEM IN A NUMBER OF INSTALLMENTS, PAY 3RD QUARTER WATER AND 3RD QUARTER SEWER, NO LUMP SUM.

MOTION BY CINDY MORTIMER TO PAY JULY, AUGUST, SEPTEMBER WATER AND WASTEWATER AS FIRST INSTALLMENT, SECONDED BY JOE HAWTHORNE....MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

VEOLIA WATER – WASTEWATER DISSOLVED OXYGEN PROBE - \$9,636.00 – MOTION BY JOE HAWTHORNE AND SECONDED BY JOSH ORDICH TO APPROVE THIS PAYMENT...MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

PUBLIC COMMENT – PAT LAMPE ANNOUNCED THAT SHE GAVE THE BOROUGH SECRETARY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT INFORMATION. SHE EXPLAINED THAT SHE IS THE COORDINATOR. THE BOOKLET TELLS WHAT YOUR RESPONSIBILITY AS COUNCIL IS, IF WE HAD ANY KIND OF DISASTER. JOHN ERICKSON IS DEPUTY. WE ARE HAVING A DRILL ON JUNE 11TH AND TRAINING ON MAY 21ST, ALL PEOPLE WILL ATTEND TRAINING.

CINDY MORTIMER INFORMED COUNCIL THAT THE COMMUNITY FLOOR IS FINISHED, TURNED OUT BEAUTIFUL.

TIM GOUGNOUR ASKED IF THERE IS ANY OTHER COMPANY THAT CAN TAKE CARE OF OUR WATER BESIDES VEOLIA?

PRESIDENT WILLIAMS STATED THAT HE FEELS WE GIVE VEOLIA ONE MORE CHANCE.

RES-QRS – VICKY CARLTON BROUGHT INFORMATION ABOUT THE COMPANY. WE HAVE A NEW DIRECTOR, JOSH WORTH. DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS SINCE LAST MONTH WHEN I WAS HERE.

BRENT WILLIAMS SAID THAT HE SPOKE TO A FEW FIREMEN FROM OTHER AREAS, I’VE GOT NOTHING BUT GOOD REPORTS.

JOE HAWTHORNE SAID HE DOESN'T SEE A DOWN SIDE TO IT.

BRENT WILLIAMS SAID THAT HE AGREES WITH JOE.

VICKY CARLTON SAID THAT THEY ARE WORKING ON THEIR OWN PRESCRIPTION, LESS COST THAN MEDIC RESCUE.

CHIEF MCGEE STATED THAT ON CALLS, THEY HAVE BEEN VERY GOOD.

TIM GOUGHNOUR SAID THAT HE WOULD CALL RES-QRS.

ATTORNEY URICK SAID THAT TO BE DONE FORMALLY, COUNCIL MUST AUTHORIZE ME TO PREPARE A RESOLUTION FOR PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION.

MOTION BY JOSH ORDIH AND SECONDED BY JOE HAWTHORNE TO AUTHORIZE ATTORNEY URICK TO PREPARE A RESOLUTION FOR PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION REGARDING USING RES-QRS IN SHIPPINGPORT BOROUGH...MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

BOROUGH OF SHIPPINGPORT VS. J. KIRKPATRICK – MOTION BY JAMES WILKINSON AND SECONDED BY JOHN DePAOLIS TO AUTHORIZE ATTORNEY URICK TO RESPOND TO REQUEST TO HAVE J. KIRKPATRICK PAY THE BOROUGH OF SHIPPINGPORT THE AMOUNT HE OWES OF \$3,44.82....MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

APPROVAL OF BEAVER VALLEY POWER STATION PLAN NO. 2 SUBDIVISION – MOTION BY JAMES WILKINSON AND SECONDED BY JOHN DEPAOLIS TO APPROVE THIS SUBDIVISION...MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

APPROVAL OF THE LICENSE PLATE READER CAMERA – JAMES WILKINSON MOTIONED TO DENY THE LICENSE PLATE READER CAMERA, SECONDED BY JOHN DEPAOLIS...MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

APPROVAL OF THE HIRING OF MICHELE FINK AS A PART-TIME PATROL OFFICER FOR THE BOROUGH OF SHIPPINGPORT – MOTION BY JOSH ORDICH TO NOT OFFER MICHELE FINK FOR EMPLOYMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF SHIPPINGPORT, SECONDED BY JOE HAWTHORNE...MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

CRACK SEALING FOR THE BOROUGH LOT AND PARK PARKING LOT BY SEALMASTER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,975.00. TAR AND CHIP QUOTE WILL BE IN BY MAY 2024 OF THE LOTS. MOTION BY CINDY MORTIMER AND SECONDED BY JOSH ORDICH TO APPROVE THE CRACK SEALING OF THE PARKING LOTS BY SEALMASTER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,975.00....MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

RESIGNATION OF LAURA KORCAN AS BOROUGH TREASURER FOR THE BOROUGH OF SHIPPINGPORT, EFFECTIVE APRIL 2, 2024 – MOTION BY JAMES WILKINSON AND SECONDED BY JOSH ORDICH TO ACCEPT THIS RESIGNATION...MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

JOHN DePAOLIS QUESTIONED WHETHER A COUNCIL MEMBER BE HIRED AS THE TREASURER?

ATTORNEY URICK REPLIED THAT HE FEELS IT WOULD BE A CONFLICT OF INTEREST IF YOU ARE ON COUNCIL AND THE TREASURER.

MOTION TO ADVERTISE THE TREASURER POSITION BY JOE HAWTHORNE AND SECONDED BY JOSH ORDICH...MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

NEW BUSINESS – ATTORNEY URICK TOLD BOROUGH COUNCIL ABOUT THE NEWS RELEASE ABOUT VISTRA.

PUBLIC COMMENT – NONE

EXECUTIVE SESSION – MOTION BY JOE HAWTHORNE TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION PENDING LEGAL MATTER, SECONDED BY JOSH ORDICH...MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

RECONVENE – MOTION BY JAMES WILKINSON AND SECONDED BY JOE HAWTHORNE TO END THE EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RECONVENE TO THE REGULAR MEETING...MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

ADJOURN - MOTION BY JOHN DePAOLIS AND SECONDED BY JOE HAWTHORNE THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED, AND IT WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:17 P.M.....MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

**LAURA KORCAN
SECRETARY/TREASURER**