

## **BOROUGH OF QUARRYVILLE – COUNCIL MINUTES**

### **REGULAR MEETING – JANUARY 7, 2019**

Borough Council held its Regular Meeting on the above date at 7:00 PM at the Municipal Building. Council President Joy Kemper called the meeting to order with the following persons present: Council Members Joy Kemper, Robert Kauffman, Tim Lawson, Rick Aument, Michael Sullenberger and Diane Hastings. Mayor Joseph Bledsoe, Borough Manager/Secretary Ken Work, and Police Chief Clark Bearinger were also present at the meeting.

**PUBLIC HEARING – QUARRYVILLE FIRE COMPANY – TEFRA FINANCING:** At 7:03 PM Council President Joy Kemper opened the Public Hearing for the purpose of Quarryville Fire Company No. 1 seeking approval for tax-exempt financing of a new fire truck. President Kemper advised that the meeting had been properly advertised. Quarryville Fire Company President, Jim Herr advised that they are seeking tax-exempt financing for the acquisition of a 2019 Pierce Enforcer Pumper. The financing would be no more than \$619,000.00. The tax-exempt financing would result in an interest savings of 1.16 %.

Council President Kemper called for Public Comment. There was no public comment, and the hearing was closed.

Council President Kemper then called for a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2019-01, a resolution approving the financing of a certain project for the benefit of Quarryville Fire Company No. One, designating the President of Council, or in the president's absence any other member of Council, as the "Applicable Elected Representative" within the meaning of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended; authorizing such President or any such other member of Council to take certain actions on behalf of Council as such "Applicable Elected Representative"; and authorizing other necessary and appropriate action.

Councilman Sullenberger offered that motion and the motion was seconded by Councilman Kauffman. The vote was taken and the motion to adopt was unanimously approved.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING – DECEMBER 3, 2018 & SPECIAL MEETING – DECEMBER 17, 2018:** It was moved by Councilman Kauffman and seconded by Councilwoman Hastings that the minutes of the December 3, 2018 Regular Meeting, and the December 17, 2018 Special Meeting be approved and the motion was unanimously approved.

#### **BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT:**

Proposed Ordinance No. 436: Proposed Ordinance No. 436 will amend Ordinance No. 401 – Property maintenance Code. The Ordinance will provide for the Licensing and Inspection of Residential Rental Units and require landlords to ensure that tenants comply with applicable codes and regulations. The Proposed Ordinance has been properly advertised and is ready for adoption.

After a few brief comments, it was moved by Councilman Aument and seconded by Councilman Lawson that Ordinance No. 436 be enacted, the title of which is set forth below:

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 401, THE QUARRYVILLE BOROUGH PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE, BY ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 9, TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE LICENSING AND INSPECTION OF RESIDENTIAL RENTAL UNITS AND TO REQUIRE A LANDLORD TO ENSURE THAT TENANTS COMPLY WITH APPLICABLE CODES AND REGULATIONS.”

The vote was taken and the motion was unanimously approved.

2019 Mileage Reimbursement Rate: The IRS mileage reimbursement rate for 2019 is .58 cents per mile. Historically the Borough has always adopted the IRS rate as the Borough's reimbursement rate. Councilwoman Hastings offered a motion to set the Borough's mileage reimbursement at .58 cents per mile for 2019. Councilman Aument seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion was unanimously approved.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS AND MONTHLY BILLS – DECEMBER 31, 2018** Council received the financial report and the bills for December 2018. It was moved by Councilwoman Hastings and seconded by Councilman Aument that the financial report be received and the monthly bills for December in the amount of \$493,669.83 be approved, the vote was taken and the motion was approved.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT:** Chief Bearinger reviewed the Police Report for December 2018 noting the arrests and calls for service. The Chief reported that it was a normal month with call numbers. Calls included 2 DOA reports, one recovered stolen vehicle, and a terroristic threats report. Chief Bearinger also relayed the activities of the SRO officers.

**ZONING OFFICER REPORT:** Council received the Zoning Officer report for December 2018 as submitted by Mark Deimler. Hearing no comment, Council President Kemper called for a motion to accept the report as submitted. Councilwoman Hastings offered that motion. Councilman Aument seconded the motion and the motion was passed unanimously.

**QUARRYVILLE BOROUGH AUTHORITY:** Authority member Joseph Bledsoe gave the report for the Authority. Bledsoe reported that there was nothing outstanding to report. The well exploration continues to move forward and a meeting is to be scheduled with the Fair Association. The North Church Street water line project was put out for bid.

**STREETS, PARKS & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE:** Councilman Aument advised that the last meeting had been held at 7:00 PM on December 26, 2018. Residents and property owners from Second Street had been invited to discuss the street project planned for that street in 2019. Aument reported that the meeting was well attended and that Darrell Becker with ARRO Consulting also attended and explained the project scope to everyone. The Borough Manager explained to Council that originally it was thought that the curbing costs would run about \$20.00 a linear foot, but that Becker was suggesting that we use \$25.00 a linear foot for the project. Since Council had previously

authorized the Manager to send the residents letters with the \$20.00 cost, the Manager asked Council to take action to authorize that change to \$25.00, and to advise the property owners that if the cost came in lower than \$25.00 a linear foot the property owners would only be responsible for the lower cost. Also, that if the cost came in higher than \$25.00 a linear foot, the property owners would only be responsible for the \$25.00 cost and that the Borough would pay any difference.

Councilman Aument offered a motion to authorize the Borough Manager to send the property owners the letters with the \$25.00 per linear foot cost. Councilman Kauffman seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Manager Work also advised Council that in reviewing the Second Street project with Darrell Becker, it was learned that because Second Street is basically flat, there is very little drainage causing water to pond in the gutters. The existing storm drains are only inches deep. ARRO Consulting was able to prepare a design with crowning on the roadway and a better drainage grade to the roadway. In order to accomplish this, there would need to be adjustments made to the sidewalks on both sides of the roadway. In making these adjustments, the sidewalks at 3, 5, and 7 East Second Street which had just been constructed a few years ago, would no longer be at proper grade. Since the sidewalks would need to be replaced even though they meet current specifications, it is suggested that the Borough pay for the replacement of that section of sidewalk. ARRO estimates the cost for replacing the curb and sidewalk at that location to be approximately \$17,000.00. The Street Committee is recommending to Council that Council authorize ARRO Consulting to design the street reconstruction with the design that would allow better drainage to the roadway and that the removal and replacement of the sidewalk and curbing in front of 3, 5, and 7 East Second Street be at the Borough's expense. After a brief discussion, Councilman Kauffman offered a motion to authorize ARRO Consulting to move forward with construction plans that would address the drainage issues and that the sidewalks in front of 3, 5, and 7 East Second Street to be removed and replaced at the Borough's expense. Councilman Aument seconded the motion and the vote was unanimously approved.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Councilman Sullenberger advised that he had attended the Public Safety Meeting in December and paperwork from that meeting would be available in the Borough Office for review.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** At 7:30 PM, Council President Kemper called for a motion to enter into Executive Session for a personnel issue. Councilman Aument offered that motion with Councilman Lawson seconding. The motion to enter into Executive Session passed.

**RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION:** 7:40 PM – Council returned to Regular Session.

**POLICE OFFICER HIRING OFFER:** Chief Bearinger reported to Council that the Quarryville Civil Service Commission provided him with a list of the top three applicants by total scores for the position of Police Officer. Chief Bearinger advised that he recommends that Council offer a conditional offer of employment to Richard Beighley, who is currently a part time officer with the Quarryville Police Department. Chief Bearinger

also advised that because of Beighley's experience, he is recommending that Beighley be hired at the fourth-year patrolman salary of \$63,252.00 a year.

Councilwoman Hastings made a motion to offer Richard Beighley a Conditional Offer of Employment with a starting salary of \$63,252.00 a year. Councilman Sullenberger seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** At 7:48 PM Council President Kemper called for motion to enter into a second Executive Session for a personnel matter. That motion was offered by Councilman Kauffman and seconded by Councilman Aument. The motion was approved and Council entered into the Executive Session.

**RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION:** At 9:00 PM Council returned to Regular Session.

**ADJOURNMENT:** At 9:00 PM, Council President Joy Kemper called for a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Hastings offered that motion with Councilman Lawson seconding. The motion to adjourn was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth C. Work  
Borough Manager/Secretary