

NAZARETH BOROUGH COUNCIL--REGULAR MEETING--DECEMBER 1, 2014

The regular monthly meeting of the Borough of Nazareth was held on Monday, December 1, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Nazareth Borough Municipal Building. The meeting was called to order by the President, followed by the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Present were President Daniel Chiavaroli, Vice President Larry Stoudt, Mayor Carl Strye Jr., Councilpersons John N. Samus, Lance E. Colondo, Carl A. Fischl, Frank S. Maurek, Michael Kopach, Charles A. Donello and Brian F. Regn, Solicitor Alfred S. Pierce, Engineer Albert Kortze and Chief of Police Thomas Trachta. Absent was Highway Superintendent Robert Reimer.

Recognition of Citizens From the Floor : Rebecca Silfies of 294 Friedenstahl Avenue requested permission to stage a motorcycle rally and car cruise on April 19, 2015 using the Park as its starting point. The rally would be part of the Cancer Relay For Life.

Frank S. Maurek moved and John N. Samus seconded a motion to grant permission to Rebecca Silfies to hold the Cancer Relay For Life Motorcycle Rally using the Park as its starting point on April 19, 2015 from 10:00 am till 11:00 am.

The motion passed unanimously.

President Chiavaroli announced that a Hiring Committee would be responsible for interviewing candidates for the Pool/Park Manager position. The Hiring Committee for this position would be composed of Secretary/Treasurer Paul Kokolus, President Chiavaroli, Councilmen Brian F. Regn and Larry Stoudt and Mayor Carl Strye Jr.

Communications: None.

The Secretary's minutes for the regular meeting of November 3, 2014 were approved.

On a motion by John N. Samus, seconded by Michael Kopach, the Treasurer's Report for the month of November 2014 was approved as follows:

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| General Fund--Cash on Hand October 31, 2014 | \$ | 42,180.95 |
| Waste & Recycling Fund--Cash on Hand October 31, 2014 | \$ | 167,587.69 |
| General Fund--Total Receipts | \$ | 381,553.19 |
| Waste & Recycling Fund--Total Receipts | \$ | 9,163.23 |
| General Fund--Total Receipts & Cash | \$ | 423,734.14 |
| Waste & Recycling Fund--Total Receipts & Cash | \$ | 176,750.92 |
| General Fund--Total Disbursements | \$ | 329,240.82 |
| Waste & Recycling Fund--Total Disbursements | \$ | 53,011.05 |
| General Fund--Cash on Hand November 30, 2014 | \$ | 94,493.32 |
| Waste & Recycling Fund--Cash on Hand November 30, 2014 | \$ | 123,739.87 |
| Payroll Account | \$ | 165.92 |
| State Fund Checking Account | \$ | 760.04 |
| State Fund Money Market | \$ | 50,169.85 |
| Improvement Fund | \$ | -0- |

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| Park Account | \$ | 16,911.88 |
| Pennsylvania Investment Trust Fund (Reg + Term Investment) | \$ | 300,339.96 |
| Total of All Borough Funds..... | \$ | 586,636.08 |

John N. Samus moved and Michael Kopach seconded a motion to approve the payment of bills totaling \$382,251.87. The motion passed unanimously.

The Report of the Zoning & Code Officer for the month of November 2014 was presented and approved as presented.

An Emergency Management Report for the month of November 2014 was not presented.

An Ambulance Report for November 2014 was presented and approved.

Law: John Samus moved and Frank S. Maurek seconded a motion to sell the property at 519 Seip Avenue and an additional parcel of land to the Nazareth Ambulance Corps for \$252,500.

The motion passed unanimously. President Daniel Chiavaroli and Vice President Larry Stoudt abstained from the vote.

John N. Samus moved and Lance E. Colondo seconded a motion to advertise to amend Chapter 27 in order to add a new definition, Emergency Services Station, as well as a new use in an R-7 District and a new use in the GC District under Number 1 Permitted Principle Uses.

The motion passed unanimously.

John N. Samus moved and Carl A. Fischl seconded a motion to approve the new parking meter rates setting the hourly rate at twenty five (\$.25) cents on all meters.

The motion passed unanimously.

John N. Samus moved and Carl A. Fischl seconded a motion to advertise for changes to the Borough's Handicapped Parking Ordinance.

The motion passed unanimously.

Fire: The Fire Committee report for the month of November 2014 was presented and approved.

Lance E. Colondo moved and Brian F. Regn seconded a motion to approve a yearly salary of \$1,200.00 for the Borough's EMA position.

The motion passed unanimously.

Lance E. Colondo moved and Michael Kopach seconded a motion to discontinue paying a salary of \$1,200.00 for the Borough's Fire Marshall.

The motion passed unanimously.

Police: Carl A. Fischl moved and Charles A. Donello seconded a motion to direct the Secretary to place ads for part-time police officers.

The motion passed unanimously.

Carl A. Fischl moved and John N. Samus seconded a motion to purchase two (2) new tasers at a total cost of twenty two hundred (\$2,200.00) dollars.

The motion passed unanimously.

Carl A. Fischl moved and Brian F. Regn seconded a motion to vote on an ordinance which would amend Chapter 15 – Section 502 allowing parking meter rates to be amended by Resolutions of Council. The motion passed unanimously and a Roll Call vote followed. Voting “Yes” were Councilmen Chiavaroli, Samus, Colondo, Fischl, Maurek, Stoudt, Kopach, Donello and Regn. Nine (9) voting “Yes” and Ordinance #802 is adopted into the Borough Code of Ordinances.

Carl A. Fischl moved and Brian F. Regn seconded a motion to approve Resolution No. 12 -14 – A, a 90 day resolution specifying the Borough’s new Handicapped Parking arrangement.

The motion passed unanimously.

Public Property: Frank S. Maurek moved and Larry Stoudt seconded a motion to approve Application Seven (General Contracting #7) for payment in the amount of sixty one thousand, two hundred and fifty three (\$61,253.19) dollars and nineteen cents to Bracy Contracting for work done on the Pool.

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and Larry Stoudt seconded a motion to approve Application Seven (Aquatic #7) for payment in the amount of and three hundred and fifty thousand, seven hundred and ninety seven (\$350,797.00)dollars to Vincent Pools for the work they did on the Pool.

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and Charles A. Donello seconded a motion to approve Application Seven (Electrical #7) for payment in the amount of twenty two thousand, four hundred and seventy two (\$22,472.63) dollars and sixty three cents to Ace Electric for work done on the Pool.

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and Larry Stoudt seconded a motion to direct the Engineer to survey and prepare descriptions for 519 Seip Avenue

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and Lance E. Colondo seconded a motion to approve payment of the October invoice from Advantage Engineers for inspection and testing services at the Borough Park.

The amount due for the October billing is five thousand, eight hundred and eighty six (\$5,886.10) dollars and ten cents.

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and Lance E. Colondo seconded a motion to close the Skate Park from December 2, 2014 through March 31, 2015.

The motion passed unanimously.

Finance: Larry Stoudt moved and Carl A. Fischl seconded a motion to approve Resolution No. 12-14, the 2015 Budget Resolution as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 12 – 14

General Operating Funds--Estimated Receipts:

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|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Cash and Securities for Appropriation | \$ 90,000 |
| Receipts from Current Tax Levy | \$ 1,701,266 |
| Receipts from Taxes of Prior Years | \$ 35,000 |
| Other Revenue Receipts | \$ 2,843,799 |
| Miscellaneous Non-Revenue Receipts | <u>\$ 200,000</u> |
| Total Receipts and Cash | \$ 4,870,065 |

| <u>Appropriations:</u> | <u>Operation & Maintenance</u> | <u>Capital Outlay</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---|------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| <u>General Government:</u> | | | |
| Administration..... | \$ 446,499 | | \$ 446,499 |
| Tax Collector..... | 24,300 | | 24,300 |
| Municipal Buildings..... | <u>113,100</u> | _____ | <u>113,100</u> |
| | \$ 583,899 | | \$ 583,899 |
| <u>Protections to Persons & Property:</u> | | | |
| Police..... | \$ 854,850 | | \$ 854,850 |
| Fire..... | 136,625 | | 136,625 |
| Building Regulation & Zoning | <u>40,000</u> | _____ | <u>40,000</u> |
| | \$1,031,475 | | \$1,031,475 |
| <u>Health, Sanitation & Ecology:</u> | | | |
| Garbage Collection & Recycling..... | \$ 589,635 | \$ 88,106 | \$ 677,741 |
| <u>Highways:</u> | | | |
| Snow and Ice Control..... | \$ 28,000 | | \$ 28,000 |
| Streets and Bridges..... | 130,000 | 74,000 | 204,000 |
| Street Lighting..... | <u>80,000</u> | _____ | <u>80,000</u> |
| | \$ 238,000 | \$ 74,000 | \$ 312,000 |

Recreation:

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| Parks and Playgrounds..... | \$ 213,500 | | \$ 213,500 |
| Swimming Pool & Other Facilities..... | | | |
| | <u>\$ 213,500</u> | <u> </u> | <u>\$ 213,500</u> |
| Library:..... | \$ 84,600 | | \$ 84,600 |
| Miscellaneous: | | | |
| Investments | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Social Security Taxes..... | \$ 74,254 | | \$ 74,254 |
| All Other + Insurance..... | <u>\$1,892,596</u> | <u> </u> | <u>\$1,892,596</u> |
| | \$1,966,850 | \$ | \$ 1,966,850 |
| TOTAL OPERATION, MAINTENANCE & CAPITAL OUTLAY: | \$ 4,707,959 | \$ 162,106 | \$ 4,870,065 |
| TOTAL BUDGET FOR 2015 = | \$ 4,870,065 | | |

2015 Tax Rate -- 15.0 Mills

A Roll Call vote was called for. Voting "Yes" for passage of the Resolution were Councilmen Stoudt, Samus, Fischl, Donello, Regn and Chiavaroli. Voting "No" were Councilmen Colondo, Maurek and Kopach. Six (6) voting "Yes" and three (3) voting "No". The motion passes.

Larry Stoudt moved and Carl A. Fischl seconded a motion to hire Palmer & Company to do the annual Borough Audit at an approximate yearly cost of \$14,000.

The motion passed unanimously.

Larry Stoudt moved and Brian F. Regn seconded a motion to vote on an ordinance which establishes salaries for all Borough employees and public officials for 2015 known as the Annual Tax and Levy Ordinance. The motion passed unanimously. A Roll Call vote followed. Voting "Yes" were Councilpersons Chiavaroli, Samus, Fischl, Stoudt, Donello and Regn. Voting "No" were Councilmen Colondo, Maurek and Kopach. Six (6) voting "Yes" and three (3) voting "No" and Ordinance #801 is adopted into the Borough Code of Ordinances.

Larry Stoudt moved and Brian F. Regn seconded a motion to direct the Treasurer to withdraw \$434,522.82 from our ESSA borrowing and pay all approved invoices from Payment Application #7 as requested by Pool Architect Spillman Farmer and approved by the Borough Engineer.

The motion passed unanimously.

Larry Stoudt moved and Frank S. Maurek seconded a motion to direct the Treasurer to pay all invoices from Payment Application #7 as specified and approved by the Pool Architect and Borough Engineer. Payment is approved for our General Contractor, our Aquatic Contractor and the Mechanical Contractor. There are no Electrical payments due from November invoices.

The motion passed unanimously.

Larry Stoudt moved and Brian F. Regn seconded a motion to renew all Borough Health insurances with Highmark Blue Shield for the period December 1, 2014 through November 30, 2015.

The motion passed unanimously.

Public Works: The Public Works Report for November 2014 was approved as presented.

Michael Kopach moved and Lance E. Colondo seconded a motion to advertise for bids for materials to extend Prospect Street to intersect with G.W. Stoudt Boulevard. The bids will be opened on January 29, 2015 at 7:00 pm.

The motion passed unanimously.

Ecology: The Ecology Report for November 2014 was approved as presented.

Charles A. Donello moved Lance E. Colondo seconded a motion to direct the Secretary to advertise that “seasonal holiday” trees will be picked up on January 2, 2015, January 8, 2015 and January 15, 2015.

The motion passed unanimously.

Charles A. Donello moved Michael Kopach seconded a motion to establish new rates for Refuse and Recycling collection in the Borough. Effective January 1, 2015, quarterly rates for homeowners will be reduced to seventy five (\$75.00) dollars from the current eighty (\$80.00) dollars and the following rates for Dumpster pickup services. A One Yard dumpster is \$340 a quarter, a Two Yard dumpster is \$380 a quarter, a Three Yard dumpster is \$500 a quarter, a Four Yard dumpster is \$580 a quarter and a Six Yard dumpster is \$630 a quarter.

The motion passed unanimously.

Charles A. Donello moved Lance E. Colondo seconded a motion to approve the new 2015 Refuse and Recycling Contract with J. P. Mascaro & Sons.

The motion passed unanimously.

Technology: Brian F. Regn moved and Lance E. Colondo seconded a motion to establish a Borough e-bay account for the purpose of selling excess or unneeded machinery, equipment and vehicles on the internet.

The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor: Mayor Strye presented the Police Report for November 2014. Mayor Strye also told Council about the upcoming sale of memorial bricks for the new Pool and the costs of listing your support or that of your family or business.

Solicitor: No report.

Old Business: None

New Business: John Samus reported that Keller Zoning has completed its mailing list for sending out forms for the new Landlord/Tenant registry procedure. Samus reported that the mailing would likely occur during mid-December for the forms which are due back with fees by the end of January 2015.

Larry Stoudt commented on the difficulties of having monthly meetings without a Workshop Meeting preceding it. Stoudt stated that the Business Meetings become difficult and lengthy because discussion on each motion is required. Stoudt told Council that he will move to have Workshops in 2015 on nights other than Thursdays when a holiday would otherwise force a cancellation of the Workshop.

There being no further business, on a motion by Larry Stoudt, seconded by Frank S. Maurek, the meeting was adjourned at 7:39 pm to a “Special Executive Session Meeting” on December 3, 2014 at 6:00 pm at Council Chambers.

Paul A. Kokolus, Secretary

Daniel Chiavaroli, President