

NAZARETH BOROUGH COUNCIL--REGULAR MEETING--JULY 5, 2016

The regular monthly meeting of the Borough of Nazareth was held on Tuesday, July 5, 2016 at 6:00 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 R. Strye Jr., Councilmen John N. Samus, Lance E. Colondo, Carl A. Fischl, Frank S. Maurek, Michael Kopach and Charles A. Donello, Solicitor Alfred S. Pierce and Highway Superintendent Robert Reimer. Absent was Councilman Brian F. Regn, Engineer Albert Kortze, and Police Commissioner Randall Miller.

Recognition of Citizens From the Floor: Sandra Klotz of 481 E. Center Street told Council that she had to call the Borough Office during a recent rainstorm because drains were clogged on her street and the flooding was causing cars to back into her driveway and go back traveling west on Center Street. Klotz asked Council if the Borough had a plan and timetable to rectify the situation.

Mindy Allen of 123-125 Mauch Chunk Street stated that her driveway is not illegal telling Council that she went to PennDot and Permit Manager Jim Potter to confirm that.

Communications: President Chiavaroli read the monthly Report of the Borough's Animal Control Officer, Phil Bell.

The Secretary's minutes from the regular meeting of June 6, 2016 were approved as presented.

On a motion by Michael Kopach, seconded by Larry Stoudt, the Treasurer's Report for the month of June 2016 was approved as follows:

General Fund--Cash on Hand May 31, 2016	\$	483,607.39
Waste & Recycling Fund--Cash on Hand May 31, 2016	\$	253,442.29
General Fund--Total Receipts	\$	193,249.50
Waste & Recycling Fund--Total Receipts	\$	92,268.20
General Fund--Total Receipts & Cash	\$	676,856.89
Waste & Recycling Fund--Total Receipts & Cash	\$	345,710.49
General Fund--Total Disbursements	\$	371,554.34
Waste & Recycling Fund--Total Disbursements	\$	150.00
General Fund--Cash on Hand June 30, 2016	\$	305,302.55
Waste & Recycling Fund--Cash on Hand June 30, 2016	\$	345,560.49
ESSA Payroll Account	\$	53.67
State Fund Checking Account	\$	-0-
State Fund Money Market (Nat'l Penn)	\$	129,265.87
Improvement Fund	\$	-0-
Park Account	\$	133,092.49
ESSA Loan Account	\$	65.63
Pennsylvania Investment Trust Fund (Reg + Term Investment)	\$	1,125,934.55

Total of All Borough Funds..... \$ 2,039,275.25

Michael Kopach moved and Charles A. Donello seconded a motion to approve the payment of bills totaling \$386,038.93.

The motion passed unanimously.

An Emergency Management Report for the month of June 2016 was not presented.

An Ambulance Report for June 2016 was presented and approved.

The June 2016 Report of the Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer was approved as presented.

Law: John N. Samus moved and Lance E. Colondo seconded a motion to advertise to amend Chapter 15, Section 205, to establish Pine Street as a "One Way" street north from Center Street to Chestnut Street.

The motion passed unanimously.

John N. Samus moved and Lance E. Colondo seconded a motion to advertise to amend Chapter 15, Section 205, to remove Cedar Street as a "One Way" street south from Belvidere Street to Walnut Street.

The motion passed unanimously.

John N. Samus moved and Carl A. Fischl seconded a motion to change the start time of all future Borough Workshops and Business Meetings to 6:00 pm plus the Borough Budget Workshop on the last Wednesday of October and direct the Secretary to advertise the changes in a publication of general circulation and also in the Nazareth Key.

The motion passed unanimously.

Fire: The Fire Report for the month of June 2016 was approved as presented.

Lance E. Colondo reported on the recent July 4th Kazoo Parade and thanked everyone for their participation in that event.

Lance E. Colondo moved and Carl A. Fischl seconded a motion to approve payment to MDS for the annual inspection and service on all Hurst Tools at a cost of \$1,755.00.

The motion passed unanimously.

Police: Carl A. Fischl moved and John N. Samus seconded a motion to approve sending Police Officer Stephen Schleig to "forensic training" in Bethlehem, PA at a cost of \$300.00.

The motion passed unanimously.

Carl A. Fischl moved and Michael Kopach seconded a motion to approve the outsourcing/ hiring of Cut N' Vac Lawncare Systems of Bethlehem, PA to mow, trim and blow off clippings for the Memorial Library of Nazareth and Vicinity. The cost of each cutting will be sixty five (\$65.00) dollars and that amount will be paid by the Borough and then re-billed for payment by the Library to the Borough with their monthly maintenance billings. Discussion followed. Public Works Superintendent Robert Reimer stated that passage of this motion and the "outsourcing" of this work would be very damaging to the morale of the employees within his department. Reimer asked Council if his department would be doing anything for maintenance at the Library.

The motion passed unanimously.

Public Property: Frank S. Maurek moved and Charles A. Donello seconded a motion to have the Borough Secretary correspond with the three other municipalities who are part of the Library consortium and inform them of the Borough's intentions with the Library facility.

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and John N. Samus seconded a motion to approve the installation of additional parking or a parking lot at the Library pending all necessary approvals by the Borough's Planning Commission, Zoning and Code Enforcement and the Borough Engineer.

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and Charles A. Donello seconded a motion to make it officially known to the Library Board and fully understood by them that all costs for added parking and/or a new lot are to be paid by the Library Board.

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and Lance E. Colondo seconded a motion to direct the Secretary to send out inquiries for bids for heating oil for all Borough facilities.

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and Michael Kopach seconded a motion to approve a one (\$1.00) dollar admission for fee all non-pass patrons on Nazareth Day.

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and Lance E. Colondo seconded a motion to approve the sale of all Pool passes for 1/2 price for the remainder of 2016 beginning on August 1, 2016.

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and Charles A. Donello seconded a motion to approve the request of Nazareth Soccer for use of Essroc Fields for Fall soccer games, clinics and practices beginning on August 8, 2016. Hours of use would be 3:00 pm till dusk on weekdays, 8:00 am till dusk on Saturdays and noon till dusk on Sundays. A certificate of insurance has been provided.

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and Larry Stoudt seconded a motion to approve 60 additional days of practice time for the Nazareth Swim Club in our Pool at a cost of \$75 per day.

The motion passed unanimously.

Finance: Larry Stoudt moved and Frank S. Maurek seconded a motion to approve the procedures for re-billing the Memorial Library of Nazareth and Vicinity for the outsourcing of lawn care, mowing, trimming and blowing off clippings. The Library will continue to be billed monthly for this service.

The motion passed unanimously.

Larry Stoudt moved and John N. Samus seconded a motion to approve Resolution No. 7-16 honoring Nazareth's first Olympian, Joe Kovacs Jr., as follows:

WHEREAS, the Borough of Nazareth seeks to honor those who have brought distinction and honor to our community through their athletic achievements on a local, state, national and worldwide level,

WHEREAS, longtime Nazareth resident Joe Kovacs Jr. has qualified for the 2016 U.S. Olympic team after coming in second place in the Olympic trials in Eugene, Oregon on Friday, July 1, 2016,

WHEREAS, the Borough of Nazareth has never had a resident qualify and compete in any Olympic Games making this endeavor not only noteworthy but truly historic,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, and it is hereby resolved in Borough Council assembled that Joe Kovacs Jr. be supported in his Olympic efforts later this year and be praised for his years of dedication and determination which have taken him to his spot on the U. S. Olympic Team. Kovacs epitomizes the "hard work ethic" which has always been our Borough's trademark and his years of training to make the Olympic Team after his near miss in 2012 show that he set a lofty goal then did what was necessary to achieve it. Most importantly and for posterity, Joe Kovacs will carry his name and our Borough's name to Rio de Janeiro and to a worldwide audience. Nazareth Borough Council wishes Joe Kovacs Jr. continued success and their best wishes that he be successful in this competition while soliciting support for him from our entire region. The Secretary is directed to issue a citation memorializing this Resolution for a truly remarkable young man and a world class athlete.

The motion passed unanimously.

Public Works: The Public Works Report for the month of June 2016 was approved as presented

Ecology: The Refuse and Recycling Report for the month of June 2016 was approved as presented.

Charles A. Donello moved and Lance E. Colondo seconded a motion to approve the Main Street Corner/Easton Road landscape plan and the planting of the included shrubs and other greenery as presented to Council by Prolific Landscape Incorporated in conjunction with the Helping Hands group. The site had previously received a 2007 Penn State Gateway Grant for \$5,000.00 in

conjunction with the Borough's "then" Shade Tree Commission. Cost for the project is \$1,416.33 and a 50% deposit is due immediately.

The motion passed unanimously.

Charles A. Donello moved and Frank S. Maurek seconded a motion to approve the appointment of John Gum as Upper Nazareth Township's appointed representative to the Nazareth Borough Municipal Authority to replace Robert Raesley who is leaving that position. Gum's term ends on December 31, 2019.

Technology: No report.

Mayor: The Police Report for June 2016 was presented by Mayor Strye. Mayor Strye thanked Council for the hiring of two (2) new full time police officers.

Solicitor: No report.

Engineer: No report.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Robert Reimer reported on the recent lightning strike which affected the Pool's filtration system and electrical circuitry in the filter room. Reimer thanked Shawn Karch and Keco Electric for staying with the project until the repair was made and recommended the purchase and installation of a more sophisticated surge protector to make sure the situation does not reoccur. Reimer also reminded Council that he still needed the dedication of Sage Street, G.W. Stoudt Boulevard and the new cul de sac at the western end of Sage Street so that appropriate Liquid Fuels money could be gained for the additional street mileage.

John N. Samus moved and Charles A. Donello seconded a motion to purchase and install a new surge protector from Keco Electric at a cost of forty eight hundred (\$4,800.00) dollars.

The motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business at 7:25 pm, following one (1) Executive Session, on a motion by Larry Stoudt, seconded by Frank S. Maurek, the meeting was adjourned.

Paul A. Kokolus, Secretary

Daniel Chiavaroli, President