

MINUTES
BOROUGH OF MAGNOLIA
COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 20, 2020

Meeting Call to Order

Mayor BettyAnn Cowling-Carson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

“Open public meetings law” announcement

Mayor Cowling-Carson announced this meeting is being conducted in full compliance with the “Open Public Meetings Law” and notices were sent to the Courier-Post and The Central Record and other news media. Also, the notice was provided on the Official Bulletin Board.

Roll Call

Councilwoman Paula Bonamassa, Present
Councilman Anthony DePrince, Present
Councilman Richard Krause, Present
Councilwoman Mary F. Martz, Present
Councilman Odell Saxton, Present
Councilman Steven Whalen, Present
Mayor BettyAnn Cowling-Carson, Present

Other Officials Present

Dan Long, Solicitor, Mark R. Basehore, Engineer, Chief Paris, Paul Wolf, Fire Chief, Shelley Strehle, CFO, Christine Pippet, Acting Borough Clerk, Paul Sexton, Department of Public Works.

Emergency exits

Mayor Cowling-Carson stated to please be aware in the event of an emergency, all persons in the courtroom should exit the courtroom quickly and orderly, using the two main doors in the courtroom and then locate the nearest exit to safety. Also, all cell phones and pagers should be placed on vibrate and all ringers should be off.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes from February 5, 2020, Public and Closed Session are subject to approval.

A motion was made by Councilman Whalen and seconded by Councilwoman Martz to approve the minutes. All council present voted in favor by voice vote, aside from Councilman DePrince who abstained.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

2020-01

Ordinance for Calendar year 2020 to exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a CAP Bank

A Motion Was Made by Councilman Whalen to Adopt ordinance 2020-01 on first reading and was Seconded by Councilwoman Martz. Roll Call Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

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RESOLUTIONS

R2020-052

Resolution Authorizing Assignment 117 W. Lincoln Avenue

A Motion Was Made by Councilman Whalen and seconded by Councilwoman Martz to authorize resolution R2020-052 Resolution Authorizing Assignment 117 W. Lincoln Avenue. Roll Call Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

R2020-053

Resolution Authorizing Assignment 105 N. White Horse Pike

A Motion Was Made by Councilman Whalen and seconded by Councilwoman Martz to authorize resolution R2020-053 Resolution Authorizing Assignment 105 N. White Horse Pike. Roll Call Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

R2020-054

A Resolution Appointing Paul Sexton as Indoor Air Quality Designee for the Borough of Magnolia

A Motion Was Made by Councilwoman Bonamassa and seconded by Councilwoman Martz to authorize resolution R2020-054 a Resolution Appointing Paul Sexton as Indoor Air Quality Designee for the Borough of Magnolia. Roll Call Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

R2020-055

Authorizing Engineer to Make Application for CDBG 2020-2021 (Year 42)

A Motion Was Made by Councilwoman Bonamassa and seconded by Councilman Saxton to authorize resolution R2020-055 Authorizing Engineer to Make Application for CDBG 2020-2021 Year 42. Roll Call Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

R2020-056

Resolution Adopting A Domestic Violence Policy

A Motion Was Made by Councilman Whalen and seconded by Councilman Krause to authorize resolution R2020-056 Resolution Adopting A Domestic Violence Policy. Roll Call Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

R2020-057

Resolution to Approve A Shared Service Agreement Between The Borough Of Stratford and The Borough Of Magnolia For A Certified Recycling Professional To Certify The Annual Recycling Tonnage Report

A Motion Was Made by Councilman Whalen and seconded by Councilwoman Bonamassa to authorize resolution R2020-057 Resolution to Approve A Shared Service Agreement Between The Borough Of Stratford and The Borough Of Magnolia For A

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Certified Recycling Professional To Certify The Annual Recycling Tonnage Report. Roll Call Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

R2020-058

Resolution to Approve A Shared Service Agreement Between The Borough Of Hi-Nella and The Borough Of Magnolia For A Certified Recycling Professional To Prepare And Certify The Annual Recycling Tonnage Report

A Motion Was Made by Councilman Bonamassa and seconded by Councilwoman Martz to authorize resolution R2020-058 Resolution to Approve A Shared Service Agreement Between The Borough Of Hi-Nella and The Borough Of Magnolia For A Certified Recycling Professional To Prepare And Certify The Annual Recycling Tonnage Report. Roll Call Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

R2020-059

Resolution Appointing Department of Public Works Laborer Dontate' Henry Stackhouse

A Motion Was Made by Councilman Bonamassa and seconded by Councilwoman Martz to authorize resolution R2020-059 Resolution Appointing Department of Public Works Laborer Dontate' Henry Stackhouse. Roll Call Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

OLD BUSINESS:

R2020-048

Resolution supporting the Magnolia Little League open space application for Magnolia Little League

A Motion Was Made by Councilman Krause and seconded by Councilman DePrince to authorize resolution R2020-048 Resolution supporting the Magnolia Little League open space application for Magnolia Little League. Roll Call Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A brief discussion was had regarding the Sterling Knights Football and what they are looking to do at the Community Center. Council discussed the expectations among them. A conference call is scheduled for next week with the Engineer, Attorney and Football representative

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PUBLIC SAFETY & COMPLIANCE – Councilman DePrince advised the council of the Firemans Installation dinner as well as the EMS Services dinner. The Borough was given an appreciation award. He also advised that there was a vehicle on Tuesday night, an amazing job was done by all those involved.

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FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION – Councilman Whalen advised Shelley has prepared a rough draft of the Budget. Shelley is also working on Shared Services for a truck washing facility and street sweeper services. He further discussed employment outside of the Borough, and attendance of certificated employees at all council meetings.

PUBLIC WORKS & TECHNOLOGY – Councilwoman Bonamassa advised that the Department of Public Works is working on the concrete at the Borough Hall as well as pothole repair.

PLANNING/ZONING, CODES, LICENSING & STREET LIGHTING – Councilwoman Martz advised that Mr. Bach was in attendance at Planning Board to discuss the Redevelopment area. She further advised that A Cloud Welding was scheduled to come before the board this month. Code Enforcement has been sending notices to 415 Cumberland Ave., they keep being returned.

PUBLIC EVENTS – Councilman Krause reviewed various activities that are coming up, and the recreation committee is working on; Clean Communities Day, Easter Egg Hunt, Miss Magnolia, Youth week, Memorial Day. He further announced that bid openings for the Multi-Use trail at the park will be on February 27, and he has a meeting with the County regarding the playground equipment and the grant we have already received for that. He will be preparing another application for 2020, for additional park upgrades.

FACILITIES & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – Councilman Saxton advised he has met with Councilwoman Bonamassa, Jay and Mr. Reid regarding the Gazebo repairs/replacement. He further discussed that the lights have been marked out at the Community Center for installation.

MAYOR – Mayor Cowling Carson discussed various notices that have come in already regarding National Night Out. She attended the event that was held in Lawnside, which was outstanding. The Borough hosted a Town Hall Meeting last week with the County. She commended Public Works for all their work. At her Mayors meeting, there was a discussion regarding the upcoming census. We need to have as many residents to complete as we can. So much of our funding is based on the Census.

ENGINEER REPORT -Mr. Basehore attended the predesign meeting in regard to Evesham Road. Resurfacing of the road will help with some of the drainage issues. He further discussed the preconstruction meeting with South Jersey gas. He has recommended that we revise our street opening ordinance to take out the 10% criteria. The Well removal should be starting either Friday, February 28 or Friday, March 6. Will confirm.

SOLICITOR REPORT – Mr. Moustakis has nothing to report.

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CLAIMS APPROVAL

A list of the Claims has been submitted by the Treasurer for approval and individual vouchers are available for review.

A Motion Was Made by Councilman Whalen and Seconded by Councilman Martz. Roll Call Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Open to Public

A motion was made by Councilman Krause and seconded by Councilwoman Martz to open this portion of the meeting to the public. A voice vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Being there was no one from the public who spoke, a motion was made by Councilwoman Martz and seconded by Councilman Krause to close this portion of the meeting to the public. A voice vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilman DePrince and seconded by Councilman Krause to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Prepared by:



Christine M. Pippet
Acting Borough Clerk
Borough of Magnolia

Time: 9:20 PM