Borough of Pitcairn Council Combined Budget, Workshop and Business Meeting Minutes October 9, 2023 5:00 pm

Meeting called to order – President Jim Rullo Stand for Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:	Here	Absent
Thomas Dick, Jr.	_X	
Lisa Petrosky	_X	
Domenic Roberta	_X	
James Rullo	_X	Via telephone
Deborah Marto	_X	
Debra Freeman	_X	
George Toth	_X	
Mayor Margaret Stevick	хх	

Preliminary budget presented by Manager to Council and Mayor.

Domenic Roberta motioned to approve Minutes from the September 11, 2023 Borough Council Combined Meeting. Seconded by Tom Dick, Jr. All ayes, motion carries.

Citizen Comment.

David from the Well. He would like to have the fee waived for the Park Building to have a dinner and Christmas Celebration on December 9, 2023. Ron Wisehorn was also with David and spoke regarding what the Well can provide and resources for the people on the streets and provide a meal. Will have some representatives for drug and alcohol rehabilitation resources. The manager clarified that the Well was asking to have the fee waived for the Park Building.

Mr. Bill Kornrumph wanted to introduce himself and talk about the field. He asked what happened to the Cliff Adams Sign. The manager stated that it was taken down when the building was painted and Public Works just hasn't put it back up. Mr. Kornrumph asked how many Pitcairn kids were on the roster. He asked if the football team has the proper insurance and why they didn't have an ambulance at the field. He also had an instance when his grandson was at the playground. He felt that he was disrespected by some kids at the playground. Discussion took place regarding the number of kids in Pitcairn. Discussion took place regarding other baseball organizations.

The owner of 516-518 Brinton Avenue discussed the parking in Rock Alley. Discussion took place. The Police Chief explained the reasons why there is no parking allowed in the alley.

Mayor Betsy Stevick

The Mayor read the police calls and the fines collected. She also explained the Halloween Parade route.

Personnel / General – Domenic Roberta

<u>Streets – George Toth</u>

• George Toth motioned to accept and award a contract to A. Liberoni in the amount of \$43,929.36 for the 2023 paving program. This is to be paid with Capital Improvement Funds. Seconded by Lisa Petrosky. All ayes, motion carries.

Parks and Recreation – Debra Freeman

• Deb Freeman motioned to waive the Park Building Rental Fee for the non-profit group Well Corp. for a function they will hold on December 9. Seconded by Lisa Petrosky. All ayes, motion carries.

Finance and Economic Development – Lisa Petrosky

- Lisa Petrosky motioned to pay the bills as presented. Seconded by George Toth. All ayes, motion carries.
- Lisa Petrosky gave a recap of the Pitcairn Night Market, considering the Gateway Homecoming was the same night all of the vendors and store fronts expressed that they did well and can't wait for the next one.

Health and Welfare – Deborah Marto

- Mr. Turner has submitted his monthly reports to Council.
- Deb Marto motioned to approve the low bid award of \$67,500 received from Katofsky Construction for the ACT 152 Demolition Grant to demo several properties on Jewell Way. The current funding will complete this project in its entirety. Seconded by Tome Dick, Jr. All ayes, motion carries.
- Deb Marto motioned to approve the low bid award of \$58,000 received from Katofsky Construction for the GEDTF-126 Demolition Grant to demo 121 Wall Avenue. The Grant is for \$50,000. Pitcairn will pay the remaining \$8,000 from the general fund. Second by Lisa Petrosky. All ayes, motion carries.
- Deb Marto discussed Monroeville's latest zoning ordinance.

<u>Electric – Tom Dick, Jr.</u>

• Tom Dick motioned to replace the fence around the substation at a cost of \$13,053.00. Precision Fence was the lowest of three bids we received. Bids ranged from \$13,053.00 to \$22, 056.00. This is to be paid with Electric Capital funds. Seconded by Deb Marto. All ayes, motion carries.

Public Safety Committee – Jim Rullo

- Jim Rullo motioned to promote Police Officer Sharon Jackson from part time to full time status. Seconded by George Toth. All ayes, motion carries.
- Jim Rullo motioned to promote Police Officer Robert Wratcher from part time to full time status. Seconded by Lisa Petrosky. All ayes, motion carries.
- Jim Rullo motioned to promote Police Officer Donte Trunzo from part time to full time status. Seconded by Tom Dick, Jr. All ayes, motion carries.
- Jim Rullo motioned to hire Maurqel Watts as a part time Police Officer. Seconded by George Toth. All ayes, motion carries.
- Jim Rullo motioned to accept the resignation of part time patrolman Jose Estevez. Seconded by Lisa Petrosky. All ayes, motion carries.

Solicitor's Report

The solicitor will be in Commonwealth Court arguing a certain zoning appeal.

Engineer's Report

Don Black stated that with the motions of approval of the demos there obviously will be some demos taking place. Mr. Black explained the Flood Control Project. Got approval to use the grant to replace Taylor Street Bridge. EADS will be meeting with several contractors to get cost estimates and get moving on this bridge.

Discussion on the LSA grant application. The Highland Ave sewer grant was county funds. They now have a statewide LSA grant. The Engineer wanted to confirm applying for Brinton Avenue paving.

Mr. Toth asked about the grant received for the Joe Markosek Sports Complex. The Engineer explained that the plan is to bid that out and get it paved in the spring.

Borough Manager's Report

The Manager offered condolences to the McKinney Family on the loss of their family member.

Year to date compared to budget report has been submitted to Council. The Tax Collector collected \$12,341.15 in September, Total to date is \$417,287.70.

Police Chief Report

The Chief thanked Council for supporting the training that he and Maxx have been doing. He just finished training for man tracking. Plans to get certification for rescue tracking, this will be for search and rescue tracking.

Tom Dick, Jr. motioned to adjourn, seconded by Lisa Petrosky. All Ayes, motion carries. The meeting adjourned at 6:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted Michael Bolen Borough Manager