

**Borough of Pitcairn Council
Workshop Meeting
Minutes
January 28, 2019
7:00 pm**

**Meeting called to order – President Michael Tobias
Pledge of Allegiance was recited.**

Roll Call:

Doug Crothers
Kevin Dick
Cammeo Farally
Dona Galia
Lorraine Myers
Jim Rullo
Mike Tobias
Mayor Stevick
All Present.

Mr. Tobias announced Council held an Executive Session at 6:00 pm this evening to discuss personnel matters.

Mr. Rullo motioned to approve Council Meeting Minutes from January 14, 2019. Seconded by Mrs. Farally, motion carried unanimously.

Citizen Comment

Lisa Petrosky asked if the Crime Watch group could be an official subcommittee of Council, like Park and Recreation Board. Mr. Tobias asked Ms. Dietz to have the Solicitor be prepared to answer that question at the next Meeting.

Peg Yagatich on Wall Avenue reported that on December 28 three oak chairs were taken from her porch. She asked if there were any leads. Mr. Tobias said he would ask the police. She said her neighbor's car was broken into. She complained of trash over the hill beside 709 Wall Avenue and one of the people responsible cleaned it up. Ms. Yagatich voiced concerns over rocks and movement in the creek along Walcairn.

Deb Marto asked the cost to the Borough for Savvy Citizen App. Mrs. Galia responded \$90 a month.

Mayor Betsy Stevick

Mayor Stevick asked the Borough for seed money for the 125th celebration until donations are received. Some vendors will soon require a deposit, initially about \$2 to \$3,000. **Mrs. Galia motioned to use Park and Recreation Special Events Fund for event costs; the Fund will be reimbursed with donations when they come in. Seconded by Mrs. Farally. Motion carried unanimously.**

Personnel – Dona Galia

Mrs. Galia encouraged interested volunteers to attend an informational meeting for the planning of the Anniversary at the Borough on February 4, 6 pm. A tentative schedule of celebration events will be in the Pitcairn Patter Newsletter.

Mr. Tobias announced that during their last meeting, Camp B approved donating the cost of the large tent for the celebration. Mrs. Galia asked Ms. Dietz to look into any small tents the Borough owns for use during the anniversary.

Streets – Mike Tobias

Mr. Rullo motioned to advertise for a full time Public Works Laborer. Seconded by Mr. Crothers; motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Galia motioned to authorize purchase of textbooks and two Public Works Laborers to attend Allegheny County pesticide and rodent control classes in order to obtain mandatory licenses. Seconded by Mrs. Myers. Mr. Dick asked when the classes took place. Ms. Dietz: seven classes, Thursday mornings, from February to April, the eighth session is the test. Motion carried unanimously.

Parks and Recreation – Cammeo Farally

Mrs. Farally announced Movie Night details.

Mrs. Farally introduced Rebecca Mizikar from Grounded. She gave a brief description of what they do, have studied Pitcairn for a year and are producing a report identifying possible vacant lots for play spaces. They find matching funds and Kaboom is willing to award a grant of \$20,000. It will cover their travel time, coordination and hard costs for the project. It will involve the community in design and build, maintenance. Three potential lots have been identified. They are investigating the owner of one the Borough doesn't own. Mrs. Galia preferred the Kenney Avenue lot for its location, visibility. Mr. Tobias and Mrs. Farally agreed. The nearby church hosts summer events. Mrs. Farally: the Borough is going to help with the Kenney Avenue lot, the owner has passed away and we will look into that. Mr. Tobias thanked Grounded for their involvement.

Finance and Economic Development – Jim Rullo

Mr. Rullo motioned to authorize Engineer to submit CITF grant applications for specific projects. This grant requires no match; must pay TCVCOG processing fees. Seconded by Mrs. Myers. Question on the motion. Council discussed and agreed to resubmit Wood Street reconstruction, basketball court improvements. Mrs. Farally suggested adding improvements to Summers Field. She will communicate with Jim Comunale for ideas. Motion carried unanimously.

Health and Welfare – Kevin Dick

Nothing tonight.

Electric- Lorraine Myers

Nothing this evening.

Public Safety – Doug Crothers

Nothing.

Police Chief Report

Nothing.

Mrs. Galia motioned to Adjourn at 7:13 pm. Seconded by Mrs. Myers; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Annette Dietz