

NAZARETH BOROUGH COUNCIL--SPECIAL MEETING--MAY 2, 2016

Law Committee Chairman John N. Samus began the Special Meeting by explaining its purpose. The Meeting was properly advertised and is intended to hear testimony and reasons for disallowing first floor (ground level) apartments within the Downtown business district.

Raymond Orwig of Orwig Property Management asked for the floor. Orwig expressed concern that as other storefronts and former business locations become available, they will not be filled as there are far fewer business startups than those interested in apartment rentals. Orwig had concerns about the stipulation of the ordinance change which requires that at least 50% of the street level, frontage portion of the building be used for commercial purposes.

Borough Solicitor Alfred Pierce referred Orwig to a section of the proposed ordinance change which allows that "special exceptions" requests can be submitted to the Zoning Hearing Board and the Borough's Planning Commission for review. Pierce stated that the exceptions would be considered if they provided for "Borough-wide" effects.

NAZARETH BOROUGH COUNCIL--REGULAR MEETING--MAY 2, 2016

The regular monthly meeting of the Borough of Nazareth was held on Monday, May 2, 2016 following the 7:00 p.m. Zoning Hearing Special Meeting 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., Councilpersons John N. Samus, Lance E. Colondo, Carl A. Fischl, Frank S. Maurek, Michael Kopach and Brian F. Regn, Solicitor Alfred S. Pierce, Engineer Albert R. Kortze, Police Commissioner Randy Miller and Highway Superintendent Robert Reimer. Absent due to illness was Secretary/Treasurer Paul A. Kokolus who was represented by his assistant, Christine Lilly and Councilman Charles A. Donello.

Daniel Chiavaroli introduced Brad Hendershot of Home Depot and Ali Mahmoud from Glidden Paints both of whom are responsible for improvements to the Log Cabin in the Park. Chiavaroli explained that both men were directly responsible for "donated" work done on the Log Cabin. Hendershot and his crew of Home Depot volunteers have undertaken other projects within the Borough to include shrubbery and landscaping at the Shafer School as well as work done on the American Legion Home. This time, Hendershot and his Home Depot crew undertook repairs to the porch floor at the Log Cabin while PPG Industries/Glidden donated the paint.

Recognition of Citizens From the Floor: Becky Butz of 37 N. Broad Street had questions about raises for the summer Public Works help. Butz asked why they were considered for wage increases when no one got raises. President Chiavaroli said she needed to take the matter to the Finance Committee and it would be discussed there.

John Weiss approached Council about "Handicapped Parking" at Council Chambers and the possibility of lowering the curbs so that handicapped patrons would have an easier time getting into Council Chambers for voting purposes.

Police Commissioner Randy Miller reported on recent allegations that Nazareth Police did not respond properly to possible reported gunshots at an auto parts store within the Borough. Miller

stated that after a lengthy and thorough investigation, he found no wrongdoing on the part of Nazareth police officers.

Communications: President Chiavaroli requested a "Moment of Silence" for Cliff Hess who recently passed on. Cliff was always willing to volunteer...Fire Police, Fireman, Planning Commission, Shade Tree Commission and also did Sunday Traffic Control for the Borough.

President Chiavaroli announced the resignation of Ambulance Board member Reverend William Matz, effective immediately.

President Chiavaroli announced that a "Thank You" note was received from recently departed Parking Enforcement Officer Mike Tarnok whose father passed away a week before Mike Jr. left Borough employment and moved to Florida.

President Chiavaroli announced receipt of the resignation of Crossing Guard Barbara Werkheiser, effective immediately. The Treasurer, Paul Kokolus, issued her a "voluntary resignation" document relieving the Borough of indemnity for unemployment.

On a motion by Michael Kopach, seconded by Frank S. Maurek, the Treasurer's Report for the month of April 2016 was approved as follows:

General Fund--Cash on Hand March 31, 2016	\$	739,198.26
Waste & Recycling Fund--Cash on Hand March 31, 2016	\$	258,836.78
General Fund--Total Receipts	\$	660,909.50
Waste & Recycling Fund--Total Receipts	\$	75,626.92
General Fund--Total Receipts & Cash	\$	1,400,107.76
Waste & Recycling Fund--Total Receipts & Cash	\$	334,463.70
General Fund--Total Disbursements	\$	972,995.18
Waste & Recycling Fund--Total Disbursements	\$	-0-
General Fund--Cash on Hand April 30, 2016	\$	427,112.58
Waste & Recycling Fund--Cash on Hand April 30, 2016	\$	334,463.70
Payroll Account - ESSA	\$	52.37
State Fund Checking Account	\$	141,538.16
State Fund Money Market	\$	3,178.47
Improvement Fund	\$	-0-
Park Account - Nat Penn	\$	29,291.97
ESSA Loan Account	\$	65.63
Pennsylvania Investment Trust Fund (Reg + Term Investment)	\$	1,125,575.61
Total of All Borough Funds.....	\$	2,058,100.02

Michael Kopach moved and Larry Stoudt seconded a motion to approve the payment of bills totaling \$472,995.18. The motion passed unanimously.

The Report of the Zoning & Code Officer for the month of January, February, March and April 2016 was presented and approved.

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

An Ambulance Report for April 2016 was not presented.

Law: John N. Samus moved and Michael Kopach seconded a motion to appoint Dennis Huth as Fire Code Enforcement Officer.

The motion passed unanimously

John N. Samus moved and Larry Stoudt seconded a motion to advertise for a change to the Zoning Ordinance concerning regulations for residential apartments on the first floor of buildings within the downtown business district.

The motion passed unanimously.

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

Lance E. Colondo moved and Brian F. Regn seconded a motion to approve allowing KME/Kovatch to use the Borough's Fire Rescue vehicle for display at the Harrisburg Farm Show Complex from May 18, 2016 through May 21, 2016. A certificate of liability will be provided by KME/Kovatch. Discussion followed. Carl A. Fischl had concerns about depreciation of the Rescue Truck and what insurance value that KME/Kovatch would assign. Frank S. Maurek stated that the Borough would receive nothing in return for allowing KME to use our vehicle as a sales demonstrator. Michael Kopach asked if anyone had taken possession of the certificate of co-insurance from Kovatch/KME. A "Voice Vote" followed before the President called for a "Roll Call" vote. Voting "Yes" to allow use of the vehicle were Councilmen Chiavaroli, Samus, Colondo, Stoudt and Regn...five (5) voting "Yes" for passage. Voting "No" were Councilmen Fischl, Maurek and Kopach...three (3) voting "No".

The motion passed.

Police: Carl A. Fischl moved and Brian F. Regn seconded a motion to hire Jamie Hill as a Parking Enforcement Officer.

The motion passed unanimously.

Carl A. Fischl moved and Michael Kopach seconded a motion to make Convent Avenue a "One Way" street with traffic moving south only on the evening of Saturday, July 30, 2016 for the Holy Family Church Picnic.

The motion passed unanimously.

Public Property: Frank Maurek moved and Larry Stoudt seconded a motion to provide free "Pool" admission to veterans and those currently in the military for Monday, May 28, 2016

Memorial Day, Monday July 4, 2016....Independence Day and for Monday, September 6, 2016...Labor Day

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and Michael Kopach seconded a motion to direct the Secretary to send a letter of appreciation and thanks to Brad Hendershot of the Route 191 Home Depot and Ali Mahmoud of Glidden Paints for the work they donated to the Log Cabin in the Park.

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and Michael Kopach seconded a motion to approve a 33% Pool Pass discount for the "disadvantaged" ten members of the NHS Extended Acute Care and for the accompanying staff for their use of the Pool. Daily pool admission for this group will be \$4.00.

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and Brian F. Regn seconded a motion to approve a one (\$1.00) dollar Pool admission fee for all ages on Nazareth Day.

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and Brian F. Regn seconded a motion to approve changes to the Refreshment Stand lease agreement between the Borough and Norman and Shelley Boell.

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and Michael Kopach seconded a motion to approve a 33% discount for Pool passes for Borough employees, active firefighters and "full time" crossing guards plus all Boards and Commissions members. Those seeking the discount will need valid identification and proof of employment.

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and Michael Kopach seconded a motion to acknowledge the work done by Public Works Superintendent Bob Reimer and the Public Works crew for the porch at the Log Cabin.

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and Michael Kopach seconded a motion to allow use of the parking lot at the Park on Saturday, July 30, 2016 from 3:00 pm till 1:00 am as a shuttle bus "drop off" point for the Holy Family Church Picnic.

The motion passed unanimously.

Finance: Larry Stoudt moved and Brian F. Regn seconded a motion to approve Resolution No. 5 - 16 establishing hours, rates and fees for the Nazareth Pool for the 2016 swimming season.

The motion passed unanimously.

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

Michael Kopach moved and Brian F. Regn seconded a motion to approve the hiring of Lizzie Deutsch, Justin Albert and Ben Recker as Public Works Summer help.

The motion passed unanimously.

Michael Kopach moved and Larry Stoudt seconded a motion to approve the rental of the Borough's street sweeper to Stockertown Borough at a rate of \$135 per hour. The rate includes a Nazareth Borough operator.

The motion passed unanimously.

Ecology & Lighting: The Ecology Report for April 2016 was approved as presented.

Brian F. Regn moved and Michael Kopach seconded a motion to pay Robert Oswald \$400.00 for turning over and spreading the leaves for the Borough.

The motion passed unanimously.

Brian F. Regn moved and Carl A. Fischl seconded a motion to purchase a 66" Root Grapple Attachment for a skid-steer at the quoted cost of \$2,487.60.

The motion passed unanimously.

Technology: No report.

Mayor: Mayor Strye presented the Police Report for April 2016 and reported on the ongoing Civil Service process.

Solicitor: No report.

Engineer: No report.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Lance Colondo told Council that a photo of himself had been posted on the internet on a blog page and that the picture was not genuine. In response, Bernard O'Hare stated that he had a First Amendment Constitutional right to post the photo.

There being no further business at 7:58 pm, on a motion by Larry Stoudt, seconded by Brian F. Regn, the meeting was adjourned.

Paul A. Kokolus, Secretary

Daniel Chiavaroli, President