

NAZARETH BOROUGH COUNCIL--PUBLIC HEARING--NOVEMBER 5, 2018

The President brought the Public Hearing to order at 6:00 pm and explained that its purpose was to hear commentary on ordinance changes that involve digital signs.

Regina Muth of 152 S. Main Street stated that the existing digital sign at the intersection of Route 248 and Route 191 presents even a greater danger for motorists with a stigmatism. Muth said that the current sign is a safety hazard and is unsightly.

Becky Butz of 37 N. Broad Street asked if any action taken by Council this evening will have an effect on the digital sign that is currently in place.

The President asked if there was further citizen commentary.

Law Chairman Michael Kopach stated that the Law Committee was prepared to move ahead with ordinance changes during the regular Business Meeting.

On a motion by Michael Kopach, seconded by Charles A. Donello, the Hearing was adjourned at 6:09 pm.

NAZARETH BOROUGH COUNCIL--REGULAR MEETING--NOVEMBER 5, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of the Borough of Nazareth was held on Monday, November 5, 2018 at 6:10 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 Lance E. Colondo, Councilpersons Carl R. Strye Jr., Jessica Teel, Carl A. Fischl, Frank S. Maurek, Michael Kopach, Charles A. Donello and Christopher D. Crook Solicitor Alfred S. Pierce, Borough Engineer Albert Kortze, Police Commissioner Randall Miller and Public Works Superintendent Robert Reimer.

Recognition of Citizens From the Floor: Tina Smith of 142 S. Fairview Street told Council of several incidents of large tractor trailers entering South Fairview Street and not being able to negotiate the narrow street. Smith related two recent, early morning incidents where Police had to be called. Smith asked if "No Truck" signs could be added to her neighborhood to deter truck traffic.

Becky Butz of 37 N. Broad Street had questions about land development completion at the Lincoln Commons Apartment complex. Butz asked who was responsible for overseeing completion of the original approved proposal.

Tracy Payonk of 635 Seip Avenue approached Council with concerns about illegal parking and infringements on her property during soccer games and practices. Ms. Payonk related how parents of soccer players and spectators are parking on her property, reducing access to her rear garage, walking across her yard and many have become confrontational when asked to park where it is legal. Ms. Payonk asked that Council look into these violations and have our Police enforce the parking regulations for all of Sage Street.

Pat Matejcek of 339 East Walnut Street told Council of her concerns with speeding in her area. Matejcek stated that cars leaving the Borough routinely go well over the speed limit.

Communications: The Secretary/Treasurer stated that several Borough Resolutions were made available to each member of Council.

The Secretary’s minutes from the regular meeting of October 1, 2018 were approved as presented.

On a motion by Michael Kopach, seconded by Larry Stoudt, the Treasurer’s Report for the month of October 2018 was approved as follows:

General Fund--Cash on Hand September 30, 2018	\$	52,774.15
Waste & Recycling Fund--Cash on Hand September 30, 2018	\$	437,216.77
General Fund--Total Receipts	\$	667,672.66
Waste & Recycling Fund--Total Receipts	\$	78,556.51
General Fund--Total Receipts & Cash	\$	720,446.81
Waste & Recycling Fund--Total Receipts & Cash	\$	515,773.28
General Fund--Total Disbursements	\$	514,954.87
Waste & Recycling Fund--Total Disbursements	\$	-0-
General Fund--Cash on Hand October 31, 2018	\$	205,491.94
Waste & Recycling Fund--Cash on Hand October 31, 2018	\$	515,773.28
ESSA Payroll Account	\$	301.22
State Fund Checking Account - Embassy Bank	\$	252,646.65
State Fund Money Market	\$	-0-
Improvement Fund	\$	-0-
Reserve Funds - Embassy Bank	\$	1,113,200.18
Park Account - Embassy Bank	\$	2,710.35
Pennsylvania Investment Trust Fund (Reg + Term Investment)	\$	25,301.57
Total of All Borough Funds.....	\$	2,115,494.86

Michael Kopach moved and Charles A. Donello seconded a motion to approve the payment of bills totaling \$514,954.87. The motion passed unanimously.

The Report of the Zoning & Code Officer for the month of October 2018 was approved.

An Emergency Management Report for the month October 2018 was approved as presented.

An Ambulance Report for October 2018 was not presented.

Public Works: The Public Works Report for the month of October 2018 was approved as presented.

Carl R. Strye Jr. moved and Larry Stoudt seconded a motion to approve the purchase and placement of new signs directing motorists to the Downtown Parking Lot at 128 S. Main Street. The new signs will be purchased from Nazareth Sign Company at a cost of seven hundred and forty one (\$741.00) dollars. Discussion followed. Strye stated that the old signs currently in use would be repurposed.

The motion passed unanimously.

Fire: Jessica Teel presented the Fire Report for the month of October 2018 and it was approved as presented.

Jessica Teel moved and Carl R. Strye Jr. seconded a motion to approve Resolution No. 11-18 which formally adopts the new Lehigh Valley 2018 Hazard Mitigation Plan

The motion passed unanimously.

Police: No report.

Public Property: Frank S. Maurek moved and Christopher D. Crook seconded a motion to direct the Secretary to advertise the yearly closing of the Skate Park beginning on December 1, 2018 and scheduled to reopen on April 1, 2019.

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and Larry Stoudt seconded a motion to approve Resolution No. 11-18-A which formalizes the submission of a 2018 Northampton & Lehigh Counties LSA Gaming Grant seeking \$26,000 in grant funding for two thermal imaging cameras and gear racks for the Firehouse as follows:

WHEREAS, the Borough of Nazareth, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, is eligible to apply for a Local Share Account Northampton & Lehigh Counties Gaming Grant,

WHEREAS, the Borough of Nazareth seeks to purchase two (2) Scott X380 Thermal Imaging Cameras and three (3) Ready Rack Gear Storage Racks for its all volunteer Vigilance Hose Fire Company #1,

WHEREAS, the addition of this new and life saving equipment will keep the Borough's Fire Company safer and more efficient in the performance of putting out fires and saving lives and keep our fire fighters on the ready for call outs,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, and it is hereby resolved by the Borough of Nazareth, in Borough Council assembled, that the Borough of Nazareth seeks the assistance of the Local Share Account Northampton & Lehigh Counties Grant Program to help fund and purchase these Thermal Imaging Cameras, important for their ability to identify areas of extreme temperatures and the burning and incineration of even deadlier chemical materials. Further, the cameras also help to show where deadly HAZMAT materials may be burning and will guide our fire fighters to avoid those hotspots. The Ready Rack Gear Storage System will further help our firemen keep their critical air assist equipment, uniforms, headgear, flashlights and other necessary

essentials, better organized and ready for deployment when fire situations demand their use. The assistance of the Local Share Account Northampton & Lehigh Counties Gaming Grant program is solicited to help fund these very important equipment additions. The Borough seeks twenty six thousand (\$26,000.00) dollars in Northampton & Lehigh Counties LSA grant assistance and is prepared to provide six thousand, seven hundred and nine (\$6,709.00) dollars in grant match funding to make this project a reality and to provide for the purchase, installation and implementation of this vitally important equipment. The Borough Secretary/Treasurer is therefore discharged to write a grant proposal and request consideration for this funding and to place the grant match amount in the Borough's 2019 Municipal Operating Budget.

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and Charles A. Donello seconded a motion to accept the insurance settlement of five thousand eight hundred and ninety (\$5,890.21) dollars and twenty one cents for the damage incurred to the slate roof of Council Chambers.

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and Miachael Kopach seconded a motion to accept Option 3 of the proposals for repairs to the slate roof at Council Chambers doing repairs and replacing two (2) squares on each side of the roof.

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and Michael Kopach seconded a motion to direct the Public Works Superintendent to seek three (3) telephone bids for repairs and the replacing of two (2) squares on each side of the roof. Discussion followed. Robert Reimer asked how he was to identify the squares to be replaced when he was securing quotes.

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and Charles A. Donello seconded a motion to request that the Borough Engineer appear at the November 19, 2018 Public Property Meeting to discuss the paving of the West End Walking Trails.

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and Christopher D. Crook seconded a motion to direct the Public Works Superintendent to contact Andy Schmalzer Masonry Contracting to repair the entry pillars to the Park at a cost not to exceed six thousand (\$6,000.00) dollars.

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and Jessica Teel seconded a motion to direct the Public Works Superintendent to research the two water features proposed for installation in the Pool for the start of the 2019 Swimming season.

The motion passed unanimously.

Frank S. Maurek moved and Larry Stoudt seconded a motion to approve the use of Council Chambers on Tuesday, November 27, 2018 at 7:00 pm for a "Special" Zoning Meeting. The request has been made by the Borough's Zoning Officer.

The motion passed unanimously.

Finance: Larry Stoudt moved and Christopher D. Crook seconded a motion to approve the payment of \$88388 divided into quarterly payments as the Borough's share of 2019 Library support as determined by the established formula and the most current EIT numbers. The Borough's 2018 support was \$94,331, 2017 support was \$84,135 If approved, quarterly payments for 2019 would be approximately \$22,097.00.

The motion passed unanimously.

Larry Stoudt moved and Carl A. Fischl seconded a motion to approve a "Proposed" 2019 Borough Operating Budget which contains a one half Mill (.5 MI) tax increase. The 2019 Borough Real Estate Tax Rate will again be sixteen (16.0) Mills. The President asked for a Roll Call vote. Voting "Yes" for passage were Councilpersons Strye, Teel, Fischl, Stoudt, Donello, Crook and Chiavaroli. Voting "No" were Councilpersons Maurek and Kopach. Seven (7) voting "Yes" and Two (2) voting "No".

The motion passed. There were two (2) "No" votes.

Larry Stoudt moved and Carl R. Strye Jr. seconded a motion to direct the Secretary/Treasurer to advertise that the "Proposed" 2019 Budget will be available for inspection at the Municipal Offices, 134 S. Main Street during regular hours for ten (10) business days from November 13, 2018 through November 28, 2018.

The motion passed unanimously.

Larry Stoudt moved and Charles A. Donello seconded a motion to approve a real estate tax refund in the amount of \$289.33 to Essroc Materials, Inc. of Atlanta Georgia following an assessment reduction of \$28,000

The motion passed unanimously.

Larry Stoudt moved and Christopher D. Crook seconded a motion to prohibit last minute "blitz spending" during the final 45 days of 2018 by Department heads. All expenditures not previously approved will require full Council approval.

The motion passed unanimously.

Larry Stoudt moved and Charles A. Donello seconded a motion to return the \$100 deposit of Action Karate following their Trunk or Treat event and the successful fulfillment of their contract for cleanup.

The motion passed unanimously.

Larry Stoudt moved and Michael Kopach seconded a motion to return the \$100 deposit of the Greater Valley YMCA following their Halloween Party in the Park and the fulfillment of their contract for cleanup.

The motion passed unanimously.

Larry Stoudt moved and Frank S. Maurek seconded a motion to return the \$100 deposit of the Nazareth/Bath Area Chamber of Commerce following their Trunk or Treat Halloween event in the Park and the fulfillment of their contract for cleanup

The motion passed unanimously.

Larry Stoudt moved and Christopher D. Crook seconded a motion to return the \$100 deposit of the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce following their September 30, 2018 Car Cruise event in the Park and the fulfillment of their contract for cleanup

The motion passed unanimously.

Law: Michael Kopach moved and Carl A. Fischl seconded a motion to vote on an amendment to the Borough's Sign Ordinance. The motion passed unanimously and a Roll Call vote followed. Voting "Yes" for passage were Councilpersons Stoudt, Strye, Teel, Fischl, Maurek, Kopach, Donello, Crook and Chiavaroli. Nine (9) voting "Yes" and Ordinance #837 is adopted into the Borough Code of Ordinances.

Michael Kopach moved and Carl A. Fischl seconded a motion to vote on an amendment to the Borough's Solid Waste Ordinance. The motion passed unanimously and a Roll Call vote followed. Voting "Yes" for passage were Councilpersons Stoudt, Strye, Teel, Fischl, Maurek, Kopach, Donello, Crook and Chiavaroli. Nine (9) voting "Yes" and Ordinance #838 is adopted into the Borough Code of Ordinances.

Michael Kopach moved and Larry Stoudt seconded a motion to approve Resolution No. 11 - 18 - B honoring Councilman Frank S. Maurek who celebrated his 90th birthday on October 4, 2018 and in so doing became the Borough's oldest serving Councilman of record as follows:

WHEREAS, the Council of the Borough of Nazareth seeks to recognize those individuals who have contributed time, service and devotion to the betterment of our Borough,

WHEREAS, on October 4, 1928, Frank S. Maurek, the son of Polish parents, came into this world and began a life destined to be remarkable for the woman he married, the children he fathered, the livelihood he provided for them all and the public service we further honor him for on this very special day,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, and it is hereby resolved by the Borough of Nazareth, in Borough Council assembled, that we first wish our very own Frank Maurek, a most happy and healthy 90th Birthday. Frank's enthusiasm and work ethic belie his 90 years while his continued involvement in Holy Family Parish activities and with the Golden Agers display that his zest for life has not dimmed with the passage of time. Frank's love and pride for Nazareth Borough's

Public Property and our Parks and Pool are unmistakable and he has nurtured them into the remarkable assets which they are. His daily routine of looking in on all of his friends and then on all of our Borough's facilities, has resulted in the wonderful conditions we now enjoy at our Pool, our Parks and in the buildings and facilities the Borough owns and maintains. In between, Frank finds time to profess his faith, be the wonderful father and grandfather he has always been and to attend numerous high school sporting events. And though it may seem that Frank's "plate is full", he welcomes each new challenge with the enthusiasm, the humor and then the determination of someone half of his age. We have all benefitted from his contributions of time and devotion and so it is most appropriate that we pause on the occasion of his 90th Birthday and applaud a man who knows no limits to "giving back" to his family, his friends, his parish, his Borough and yes his legacy as a tireless worker for all he believes in. God bless you and keep you Frank Maurek and Happy 90th Birthday once again. We're all better off for having known you. The Borough Secretary is directed to memorialize this Resolution to honor a man who has given so much...Frank S. Maurek.

The motion passed unanimously and applause for Councilman Maurek followed.

Environmental Steering & Lighting: The Ecology Report for the month of August 2018 was approved as presented.

Charles A. Donello moved and Larry Stoudt seconded a motion to approve resolution No. 11-18-A which authorizes the Borough to charge fees for Refuse and Recycling collection, effective January 1, 2019 as follow:

WHEREAS, Chapter 20, Sections 110 and 127 of the Code of Ordinances of the Borough of Nazareth authorize the Council to charge fees for Refuse and Recycling Collection by resolution,

WHEREAS, the Borough of Nazareth has entered into a contract with J.P. Mascaro & Sons, Inc. for collection services, effective January 1, 2019,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, and it is hereby resolved by the Borough of Nazareth, in Borough Council assembled, that Council establishes the rate for curbside collection at \$360 per unit per year and for dumpsters at the following rates: \$425 for a two yard dumpster per quarter, \$550 for a three yard dumpster per quarter and \$600 for a four yard dumpster per quarter effective January 1, 2019.

The motion passed unanimously.

Charles A. Donello moved and Christopher D. Crook seconded a motion to direct the Secretary to advertise the annual closing of the Yard Waste Recycling Center on November 30, 2018. The planned reopening of the Yard Waste Center is approximately April 1, 2019.

The motion passed unanimously.

Technology: Christopher Crook moved and Larry Stoudt seconded a motion to approve the NEDC Report for October 2018 as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

Christopher Crook moved and Carl R. Strye Jr. seconded a motion to approve the NEDC request for use of the Circle on Saturday, November 24, 2018, Small Business Saturday, for an additional Farmer's Market Day.

The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor: Mayor Lance E. Colondo presented the Police Report for October 2018. Mayor Colondo also stated that the 2018 version of the Halloween Parade was again a tremendous Borough event. Colondo also thanked other members of Council who helped him with the judging of the recent Pet Parade.

Solicitor: No report.

Engineer: No report.

Police Commissioner: No report.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Vice President Larry Stoudt encouraged everyone to get out and vote tomorrow, November 6, 2018.

There being no further business at 8:00 pm, on a motion by Larry Stoudt, seconded by Frank S. Maurek, the Meeting was adjourned.

Paul A. Kokolus, Secretary

Daniel Chiavaroli, President