

NAZARETH BOROUGH COUNCIL--REGULAR MEETING--MARCH 6, 2023

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 Carl A. Fischl, Mayor Lance E. Colondo, Councilpersons Carl R. Strye Jr., Jeffrey Corpora, Laureen Pellegrino, Michael Kopach, Charles A. Donello, Kayla Green, and Christopher Crook, Solicitor Alfred S. Pierce, Borough Engineer Albert Kortze, Police Chief Randall Miller and Public Works Superintendent Keith Knecht.

Communications: None.

The Secretary's minutes from the regular meeting of February 6, 2023 were approved as presented.

On a motion by Jeffrey Corpora seconded by Charles A. Donello, the Treasurer's Report for the month of February 2023 was approved as follows:.

General Fund--Cash on Hand January 31, 2023	\$	50,549.32
Waste & Recycling Fund--Cash on Hand January 31, 2023	\$	1,015,117.04
General Fund--Total Receipts	\$	556,743.37
Waste & Recycling Fund--Total Receipts	\$	8,399.47
General Fund--Total Receipts & Cash	\$	607,292.69
Waste & Recycling Fund--Total Receipts & Cash	\$	1,023,516.51
General Fund--Total Disbursements	\$	457,635.33
Waste & Recycling Fund--Total Disbursements	\$	-0-
General Fund--Cash on Hand February 28, 2023	\$	149,657.36
Waste & Recycling Fund--Cash on Hand February 28, 2023	\$	1,023,516.51
ESSA Payroll Account	\$	2,205.66
Embassy Bank State Fund Checking Account	\$	260,920.28
Embassy Bank Park Account	\$	6,721.63
Embassy Bank - American Rescue Plan	\$	8,492.38
Embassy Bank Reserve Account	\$	32,885.11
Pennsylvania Investment Trust Fund (Reg + Term Investment)-New ARP	\$	590,000.00
Pennsylvania Investment Trust Fund (Reg + Term Investment)-New Reserve	\$	1,100,000.00
Pennsylvania Investment Trust Fund (Reg + Term Investment)	\$	25,745.17

Total of All Borough Funds..... \$ 3,200,144.10

Michael Kopach moved and Kayla Green seconded a motion to approve the payment of bills totaling \$.457,635.33.

The motion passed unanimously.

Public Property: Carl R. Strye Jr. moved and Christopher D. Crook seconded a motion to approve the request of the Nazareth Area Chamber of Commerce for the closure of Belvidere Street from Main Street to Broad Street on June 17, 2023 from 3:00 pm till 7:00 pm for their annual Food Truck Festival.

The motion passed unanimously.

Carl R. Strye Jr. moved and Charles A. Donello seconded a motion to approve the request of the Nazareth Area Chamber of Commerce for the closure of South Main Street from the Circle to Belvidere Street on July 29, 2023 for the Martin On Main event. Hours for the event are 12 noon till 7:00 pm.

The motion passed unanimously.

Carl R. Strye Jr. moved and Michael Kopach seconded a motion to approve the request of the Nazareth Area Chamber of Commerce for the closure of South Main Street from Belvidere to Walnut Street and the use of the Borough Parking Lot on October 21, 2023 for the Fall Festival. The event will follow the annual Halloween Parade and will run from 2:00 pm till 7:00 pm.

The motion passed unanimously.

Carl R. Strye Jr. moved and Carl A. Fischl seconded a motion to approve the request of the Nazareth Area Chamber of Commerce for access to and use of the Circle on Friday, December 8, 2023 from 7:00 pm till 8:30 pm for the annual Tree Lighting Ceremony. Setup will begin at 3:30 pm and conclude at 9:00 pm. Kayla Green moved and Christopher D. Crook seconded a motion to "table" the original motion. A Roll Call vote was taken on the "tabling" of the original motion. Voting "Yes" to table the original motion were Councilpersons Green and Crook, Two (2) voting to "table" the original motion. Voting "No" to tabling the original motion were Councilpersons Strye, Fischl, Kopach, Donello, Chiavaroli, Corpora and Pellegrino. The motion to table the original motion fails. A Roll Call vote on the original motion followed. Voting "Yes" for passage were Councilpersons Strye, Corpora, Fischl, Kopach, Donello and Chiavaroli. Six (6) voting "Yes". Voting "No" were Councilpersons Green, Crook and Pellegrino. Three (3) voting "No".

The motion passes.

Carl R. Strye Jr. moved and Kayla Green seconded a motion to establish a one week rate of

\$100.00 per person for 2023 Swim Lessons in our Pool.

The motion passed unanimously.

Carl R. Strye Jr. moved and Laureen Pellegrino seconded a motion to approve the request of Saint John's UCC for use of the Large Pavilion in the Park on Sunday, August 13, 2023 for their annual worship service and breakfast. A signed event contract, deposit and insurance certifications have already been received.

The motion passed unanimously.

Carl R. Strye Jr. moved and Carl A. Fischl seconded a motion to approve the request of the SOAR Non-Profit Group to again conduct their SOAR Summer Camp from June 19, 2023 till July 29, 2023. Daily rental is yet to be determined for days when the camp is operational and not shut down by weather. The daily rate for 2022 was \$100.00 per day and for 2021 it was \$75 per day.

The motion passed unanimously.

Carl R. Strye Jr. moved and Carl A. Fischl seconded a motion to approve use of the Park on the evening of Tuesday, August 1, 2023 from 6:00 pm till 9:00 pm for the Third Annual National Night Out event. The request for use was submitted by Chief Randy Miller of the Nazareth Police Department.

The motion passed unanimously.

Carl R. Strye Jr. moved and Kayla Green seconded a motion to approve the purchase and installation of new locks at the Nazareth Center for the Arts at 30 Belvidere Street. Costs for the purchase and installation are not to exceed \$2,000.00.

The motion passed unanimously.

Carl R. Strye Jr. moved and Charles A. Donello seconded a motion to approve the request of Nazareth Area Youth Baseball for use of the Park on April 29, 2023 and May 6, 2023 for team and player pictures.

The motion passed unanimously.

Carl R. Strye Jr. moved and Laureen Pellegrino seconded a motion to approve the request of Nazareth Area Youth Baseball for Field Cleanup Day on March 18, 2023 at all of the baseball fields they use within the Borough. The rain date is March 25, 2023.

The motion passed unanimously.

Finance: Jeffrey Corpora moved and Charles A. Donello seconded a motion to direct the Treasurer to bill the Nazareth Borough Municipal Authority for the annual compilation of pension accounting for the Non-Uniformed Pension Plan done by Clifton, Larsen. Their proportionate share of the total bill of \$2,073.75 is \$943.56.

The motion passed unanimously.

Police: Carl A. Fischl moved and Kayla Green seconded a motion to direct the Secretary to place ads seeking bids for a Police Total Station Device. The Borough was awarded a Northampton County Public Safety Grant which will subsidize \$14,300 of the final total cost.

The motion passed unanimously.

Carl A. Fischl moved and Kayla Green seconded a motion to raise the rate for part time police officers to \$32.00 per hour.

The motion passed unanimously.

Carl A. Fischl moved and Michael Kopach seconded a motion to advertise for an ordinance amending Chapter 15 of the Motor Vehicle Code to establish Section 111 "Unregistered Vehicles" and to ticket and remove the plates of unregistered vehicles.

The motion passed unanimously.

Fire: Laureen Pellegrino moved and Carl R. Strye Jr. seconded a motion to approve the Emergency Management Report for February 2023.

The motion passed unanimously.

Law: Michael Kopach moved and Jeffery Corpora seconded a motion to vote on an ordinance amendment to the Motor Vehicle Code establishing a "No Parking" area on the south side of E. Chestnut Street between Pine and New Streets and which corrects a clerical error in Section 510 relevant to parking meter violations. The motion passed unanimously and a Roll Call vote followed. Voting "Yes" for passage were Councilpersons Strye, Corpora, Fischl, Pellegrino, Kopach, Donello, Green, Crook and Chiavaroli. Nine (9) voting "Yes" and Ordinance #874 is adopted into the Borough Code of Ordinances.

Environmental Steering & Lighting: Charles A. Donello moved and Michael Kopach seconded a motion to accept the February 2023 Report of the Environmental Steering Committee as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

Charles A. Donello moved and Kayla Green seconded a motion to approve the opening of the Borough's Yard Waste Facility on March 14, 2023.

The motion passed unanimously.

Charles A. Donello moved and Kayla Green seconded a motion to approve the hiring of Kathleen Yankow to staff the Borough's Yard Waste Facility at an hourly wage of \$15.00...last year's rate was \$13.00 per hour.

The motion passed unanimously.

Charles A. Donello moved and Michael Kopach seconded a motion to approve the hiring of Minott L. Coombs to staff the Borough's Yard Waste Facility at an hourly wage of \$15.00.

The motion passed unanimously.

Charles A. Donello moved and Jeffrey Corpora seconded a motion to direct the Secretary to advertise the Yard Waste Facility's hours of operation as noon to 6:00 pm...Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays...Saturdays 10:00 am till 6:00 pm...Sundays 10:00 am till 4:00 pm...closed Mondays and Fridays. The facility will remain open, weather permitting until the end of November when an exact closing date will be properly advertised.

The motion passed unanimously.

Charles A. Donello moved and Michael Kopach seconded a motion to approve the annual Borough Electronics Recycling and Shredding Event on September 14, 2023 from 4:00 pm till 6:00 pm in the Park. The event is available to Borough residents only and ID's will be checked. Discussion followed and Christopher D. Crook asked if the motion could be amended to include Nazareth businesses as parties allowed to recycle and shred items and that amended request was approved and included in the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

Technology: No report.

Public Works: Christopher D. Crook moved and Charles A. Donello seconded a motion to approve the Public Works Report for the month of February 2023.

The motion passed unanimously.

Christopher D. Crook moved and Carl R. Strye Jr. seconded a motion to direct the Secretary to place ads for bids for 2023 Miscellaneous Rental Equipment

The motion passed unanimously.

Christopher D. Crook moved and Charles A. Donello seconded a motion to direct the Secretary to place ads for bids for 2023 Road and Maintenance Materials.

The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor: Mayor Lance E. Colondo presented the Police Report for February 2023. Mayor Colondo also reported that he would like to designate his award proceeds of \$1,000 for being named the Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce Mayor of the Year for 2022, and to donate those proceeds to the Nazareth Center for the Arts, in support of their kitchen remodeling project. A motion to that effect will follow at the April 2023 Business Meeting.

Solicitor: No report.

Engineer: No report.

Police Chief: No report.

Old Business: None.

New Business: The Secretary/Treasurer reported on the receipt of \$36,200 in grant proceeds from Northampton County for the 2021 Grow Norco grant submission. This police equipment grant subsidized the purchase of the new evidence storage facility, ballistic shields, license plate readers software and use of force training.

There being no further business at 7:18 pm, on a motion by Carl A. Fischl, seconded by Michael Kopach, the Meeting was adjourned.

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Paul A. Kokolus, Secretary

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Daniel Chiavaroli, President