

**BANGOR BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT 197 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, BANGOR, PA**

MINUTES

November 14, 2016 7:00PM

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE TO FLAG

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Robert Goffredo, Sr.
James W. Kresge
Bonnie J. LaBar
Barry G. Schweitzer
Michael J. Bilotta
Robert J. Rhodes, Jr.

Others Present:

Joseph H. Capozzolo, Mayor
Nathaniel J. Dysard, Borough Manager
Brian Gembariski, Junior Council Member
David J. Ceraul, Esq., Solicitor

Absent:

Jane E. Gorman
Robert W. Engle
Gillian Bartholomew, Junior Council Member

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. A resident asked the Board for an update on the potential outdoor liquor license at the Market Street Sports Bar. Manager Dysard indicated that he has been in touch with the property owner and property manager. Any borough permits for the building have been filed and are in review. At this point it has not be determined if the outside can be used for restaurant or bar use. Liquor licenses would have to be obtained by the Liquor Control Board.
2. David Houser of 575 Grand Avenue mentioned that while he was walking the streets he observed that there are many homes in the borough that do not have a number sign visible from street level and this could cause a safety issue for our fire and emergency response teams. Manager Dysard stated that the property maintenance code would need to be enforced but it would be very time consuming to address every individual property.
3. David Houser stated that he has been in contact with a representative at Nestle concerning a dog park.
4. David Houser mentioned the issue of feral cats in the borough and he feels the residents would be appreciative of a regional approach in dealing with the towns cat issues.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Representatives from Macro Energy and Schaedler Yesco were present to discuss the borough wide lighting system proposal. Manager Dysard has been having discussions with Tom Finn from Schaedler Yesco (has Costars contract) about street lights and decorative street lights. There might be an opportunity for the borough to look at retrofitting all of the street lighting at one time over to LED and there is a way of doing that with the energy company where it would basically be a cost neutral solution and at the end save the borough money. The borough would replace all the lights with no upfront cost from the borough. The cost to do this would come from the savings received and those savings for the first 56 months pay for improvements. After the 56 months the payments are complete and the savings would be for the borough. One of the other benefits would be better and brighter lighting. Manager Dysard will move forward with the proposal.
2. Manager Dysard indicated that the LVPC is working with the COG in proposing a multi-municipal approach to the entire Slate Belt for the Comprehensive Plan. The project scope is an 18 month to a 2 year project. The projected cost would be \$230,000. The cost would be split per-capita to each municipality as well as funded with expected grants. The per-capita share to Bangor over two budget seasons would be under \$10,000. Manager Dysard read from the project scope what a Comprehensive Plan is and why the Borough should consider it. A plus to a multi-municipal approach to comprehensive planning is that you don't have to zone each municipality for everything. Manager Dysard will notify the COG of the Borough's interest to move forward with the Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan.
3. A **MOTION** was made by Rhodes, seconded by LaBar to approve Police Directives 3.2.15 (Use of Discretion) and 4.9.1 (Missing Persons). All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.
4. A **MOTION** was made by LaBar, seconded by Bilotta to appoint John and Nora Peischl as the two alternates to the Civil Service Commission. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.
5. A **MOTION** was made by Rhodes, seconded by Goffredo to reduce the Authority Board from seven members to five. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.
6. A **MOTION** was made by Rhodes, seconded by LaBar to authorize the advertisement of SALDO Ordinance #966. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.
7. Manager Dysard proposed an increase in the part-time police officer budget to allow for an increase in the base wage for the part-time police officers by \$5,000. The board discussed a tax millage increase. A **MOTION** was made by Schweitzer, seconded by Rhodes to recommend preparation of the tax ordinance with a one mill increase. Vote 5-1. Yay – Kresge, Goffredo, Schweitzer, Rhodes, Bilotta. Nay-LaBar. **MOTION** carried.
A **MOTION** to authorize advertisement of the proposed 2017 budget was made by Rhodes, seconded by Schweitzer. Vote 5-1. Yay–Kresge, Goffredo, Schweitzer, Rhodes, Bilotta. Nay-LaBar. **MOTION** carried.

ADJOURNMENT

A **MOTION** to adjourn the meeting into Executive Session to discuss Sewer Department Collective Bargaining Agreement with no action to follow was made by Rhodes, seconded by Bilotta. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.

The Bangor Borough Council Meeting adjourned at 9:06 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tracy Palmer, Administrative Secretary