

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

MINUTES

MAY 13, 2019 7:00PM

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE TO FLAG

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

James W. Kresge
Robert Goffredo, Sr.
Michael J. Bilotta
Robert W. Engle
Lisa Fogel

Others Present:

Nathaniel J. Dysard, Borough Manager
David J. Ceraul, Esq., Solicitor
Daryl Gutierrez, Junior Council Member
Brooke Kerzner, Mayor

Absent:

Barry G. Schweitzer
Jane E. Gorman
Erika Neetz, Junior Council Member

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A **MOTION** to approve the minutes dated April 22, 2019 was made by Engle, seconded by Goffredo. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS TO BE PAID

A **MOTION** to approve the bills totaling \$287,461.87 to be paid was made by Bilotta, seconded by Engle. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.

ACTION ITEMS

1. The Public Hearing was held for the Liberty Fire Company Petition to vacate the alley. Due to the applicant's lack of preparedness a **MOTION** was made by Goffredo, seconded by Fogel to continue the alley hearing until resubmission from Attorney Karasek and his client. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.
2. Representatives from Bangor Middle School were present to discuss the annual clean-up day to be held on May 22, 2019.
3. A **MOTION** to accept with regret a letter of resignation from Lisa Newberry from the recreation advisory board was made by Engle, seconded by Bilotta. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.

4. A **MOTION** to appoint Rachel Mobley to the recreation advisory board for a term to expire on 12/31/2020 was made by Fogel, seconded by Engle. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.
5. A **MOTION** to appoint Brian Berger to the Authority Board for a term to expire on 12/31/2021, was made by Bilotta, seconded by Goffredo. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.
6. A **MOTION** to accept Police Directive 3.12.2 (Sexual Assault Testing and Evidence Collection) was made by Engle, seconded by Bilotta. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.
7. Manager Dysard reported that plans to rehabilitate a long-blighted property located at 308 South Main Street are moving forward. Funding to address issues are lined up to completely restore the property and establish the property as owner occupied affordable housing in perpetuity under the Lehigh Valley Community Land Trust. Manager Dysard provided Council with a cost summary and all funders as well as a description of the project. The borough has been asked to contribute \$30,000 (15% of the cost towards the project). These funds are in a separate account (recycled HOME funds) and will not impact the borough's annual budget. A **MOTION** was made by Goffredo, seconded by Engle to approve the funds for 308 South Main Street. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.
8. Manager Dysard reported that Ott Consulting is recommending approval of payment request #4 for Grace Industries (Messinger Street Culvert Project). A **MOTION** was made by Engle, seconded by Fogel to approve the payment request #4 in the amount of \$284,439.90. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.
9. A **MOTION** to waive the yard sale permit fee for the Memorial Day weekend community wide yard sale held on May 24th -27th was made by Goffredo, seconded by Bilotta. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.
10. A **MOTION** was made by Bilotta, seconded by Goffredo to approve having Manager Dysard submit two CDBG Resolutions (road paving & a handicap access ramp and ADA improvements to the borough administrative building). All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

1. Mayor Kerzner attended a PSAB training session with Chief Felchock.
2. Junior Council Member Gutierrez updated Council on the BAHS track and field events.
3. Council Member Fogel thanked the Bangor Police Department and Fire Department for participating in the YMCA Healthy Kids Day event.
4. Council Member Bilotta is excited about having the Rita's Ice trailer at the Bangor Memorial Park.
5. Council President Kresge is also very optimistic of having Rita's at the park. Council President Kresge will not be able to attend the June 10th Council Meeting. A **MOTION** was made by Bilotta, seconded by Goffredo to appoint Barry Schweitzer as the President Pro-Tem. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A **MOTION** to go into Executive Session at 7:48 P.M. to discuss personnel matters, with action to follow was made by Goffredo, seconded by Engle. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.

A **MOTION** was made by Engle, seconded by Fogel to re-enter the meeting at 7:58 P.M. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.

Council President Kresge stated that personnel matters were discussed. A **MOTION** was made by Engle, seconded by Bilotta to approve the requested leave of absence, not to exceed thirty days and with continuation of benefits for the requesting employee. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.

ADJOURNMENT

A **MOTION** to adjourn was made by Bilotta, seconded by Goffredo. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.

The Bangor Borough Council Meeting adjourned at 8:06 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tracy Palmer, Administrative Secretary