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

MINUTES MAY 24, 2021 7:00PM

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE TO FLAG

ROLL CALL:

Members Present

James W. Kresge

Michael J. Bilotta

James Augustine

Rosemarie Capone

Barry G. Schweitzer

Robert Goffredo, Sr.

Krista Ashmore

Others Present:

Nathaniel J. Dysard, Borough Manager

Brooke Kerzner, Mayor

David J. Ceraul, Esq., Solicitor

Absent:

Daryl Gutierrez, Junior Council Member

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

1. Joanna DeFranco (Paulson), Mary Ellen DeFranco and Forrest Meyers were present to ask Council to reconsider their decision of not opening the Memorial Park pool. Joanna DeFranco volunteered her expertise in pool management to the Borough. Council listened to their requests and Council President Kresge thanked Joanna for volunteering and asked her to meet with Borough representatives regarding opportunities to help with the pool.

ACTION ITEMS:

- 1. A **MOTION** to approve payment of the bills totaling \$293,632.64 to be paid was made by Bilotta, seconded by Ashmore. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.
- 2. A **MOTION** was made by Schweitzer, seconded by Augustine to adopt Grading Ordinance #996. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.
- 3. A **MOTION** was made by Goffredo, seconded by Bilotta to approve the Fee Schedule Amendment. The amended fee schedule will have a separate section for the grading permit and review escrow. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.
- 4. A **MOTION** was made by Schweitzer, seconded by Ashmore to appoint Mark Brown as the Borough's Code Enforcement Officer. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.
- 5. Manager Dysard reviewed the proposed CDBG grant application with Council. The borough would be applying for \$75,000 towards road repairs and depressed curb ramps. The streets included in the grant would be North 11th Street between Market to Upper PA Avenue, Sullivan Street between Market to Upper PA Avenue, Upper PA Avenue between the stop sign at N. 11^{the} Street to Sullivan Street and Roosevelt Street between Upper PA Avenue to North 12th Street. The borough would match \$39,000. A **MOTION** was made by Capone, seconded by Schweitzer to approve the submission of the CDBG Grant Application. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.
- 6. A **MOTION** was made by Capone, seconded by Augustine to appoint Krista Ashmore to the vacant seat on the Park Board. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.
- 7. Krista Ashmore asked for Council discussion regarding the conditions of the sidewalks in the borough. It was agreed to focus on sidewalks during borough resale and rental inspections.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

- 1. Council Member Schweitzer commented that he will be on the November election ballot for the Bangor School Board.
- 2. Mayor Kerzner performed a wedding over the weekend.
- 3. Solicitor Ceraul commented that he donated to the park for the upcoming season.
- 4. Council President Kresge commented that on Memorial Day the VFW will be having a Memorial Day ceremony at St. Johns Cemetery at 10:00 A.M. Kresge mentioned the passing of VFW family member Bob Washock and said he will be greatly missed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A **MOTION** to go into Executive Session at 7:52 P.M. to discuss a contract matter, with action to follow was made by Augustine, seconded by Capone. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.

Public session was re-entered at 8:31 P.M. Council discussed labor contract negotiations with no action to be taken. Manager Dysard will discuss the one remaining item with the union.

ADJOURNMENT:

A MOTION to adjourn was made by Ashmore, seconded by Schweitzer. All were in favor. MOTION carried.

The Bangor Borough Council Meeting adjourned at 8:32 P.M. All were in favor. MOTION carried.

Respectfully Submitted, Tracy Palmer, Secretary