CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE TO FLAG

ROLL CALL

Members Present:
James W. Kresge
Michael J. Bilotta
Jane E. Gorman
Robert W. Engle
Robert Goffredo, Sr.
Lisa Fogel

Others Present:
Nathaniel J. Dysard, Borough Manager
Brooke Kerzner, Mayor
David J. Ceraul, Esq., Solicitor
Sascha Gutierrez, Junior Council Member

Absent:
Bonnie J. LaBar
Barry G. Schweitzer

COUNCIL COMMENTS

1. Council President Kresge opened the meeting acknowledging the outstanding job done by the Borough’s Emergency Personnel during the recent storm resulting in numerous power outages.

2. Council Vice-President Gorman thanked the Borough’s Emergency Team stating that they helped everyone get through the recent storm. Gorman thanked Robert Rhodes for his many hours of work, Heather Major for her thoughtfulness and compassion, Police Chief Felchock for cooking on the grill, Fire Chief Engle, Mayor Kerzner and Borough Manager Dysard for advising residents of the warming station locations.

3. Mayor Kerzner was very prideful of the work done by the community members, Robert Rhodes and Police Chief Felchock.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Leila Ross of 129 Messinger Street was present for an update on the letters sent by the Borough to the affected residents on Messinger Street concerning the Culvert Project. Manager Dysard stated that the Borough is awaiting a few letters. Jeff Ott commented that he believes that some of the letters are bank owned properties and he will follow up.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A MOTION to approve the minutes dated February 12, 2018 and February 26, 2018 was made by Bilotta, seconded by Gorman. All were in favor. MOTION carried.
ACTION ITEMS

1. Police Chief Felchock is requesting Council approval to purchase Ballistic Plate Carriers, Ballistic Plates and APC Power Backup/surge protectors for the server. The total cost would be $7,040.00 and would be paid for from the Police Wish Fund. A MOTION was made by Engle, seconded by Gorman to authorize the purchases. All were in favor, MOTION carried.

2. Jeff Ott reported that PennDOT is requesting to make portions of Murray Street one-way on both sides of the intersection with Messinger Street. The bridge construction limits line of sight at the intersection. Jeff Ott reviewed and answered any questions from Borough Council concerning the signage plan prepared by PennDOT. Ott is only recommending approval of the One-Way on the south side of the Messinger Street intersection. A MOTION was made by Engle, seconded by Goffredo to propose the one-way signage between Miller and Messinger on Murray Street (south bound). The signs would be installed by Borough employees once the appropriate Ordinance is adopted. All were in favor, MOTION carried.

3. Jeff Ott gave Borough Council an overview of the ongoing Borough engineering projects (Messinger Street Culvert, Deer Trac Estates, 2018 Road Program, MS4 Permit, and the Storm Water Culvert located on South Main Street/Broadway).

4. Manager Dysard discussed the LED Street Lighting (350 cobra heads) cost proposals with Borough Council. Dysard answered questions from Borough Council and he will move forward with the project.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

1. Police Chief Felchock acknowledged Robert Rhodes and Fire Chief Engle on their efforts during the recent storm event.

2. Robert Rhodes thanked everyone for their assistance during the storm because it made his decisions much easier. President Kresge stated that Bangor has a solid team of both Appointed and Elected Officials.

3. Junior Council Member Gutierrez also thanked everyone who was there for people in need during the storm. Gutierrez asked the community to support the Bangor High School 42nd Street Musical on April 14th-16th.

4. Council Member Fogel was approached by a resident requesting Christmas wreaths be put on the light poles by the Messinger Street Bridge. Manager Dysard stated that the wreaths are approximately $800-$1,000 each. Dysard also commented that placement of items on the Messinger Street Bridge light poles presents an undue safety hazard for the Public Works employees.

5. Council Member Bilotta also acknowledged the Borough’s Emergency Personnel.

6. Mayor Kerzner booked her first wedding and feels it’s an honor to marry people. Kerzner has three volunteer groups lined up for a tentative Community Clean-Up day in May.

7. Manager Dysard addressed a letter from a resident concerning a line of sight issue when driving down South Seventh and turning onto Market Street. The property owner has been contacted to cut down the shrubbery. Dysard complimented Public Works on the snow removal during the recent snow event.

ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION to adjourn the meeting and go into Executive Session at 8:00 P.M. to discuss legal matters, with no action to follow was made by Bilotta, seconded by Engle. All were in favor. MOTION carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tracy Palmer, Administrative Secretary