

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

MINUTES

OCTOBER 15, 2018 7:00PM

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE TO FLAG

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

James W. Kresge
Barry G. Schweitzer
Robert W. Engle
Lisa Fogel
Michael J. Bilotta
Jane E. Gorman

Others Present:

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

Absent:

Robert Goffredo, Sr.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Leila Ross of 129 Messinger Street was present to thank the Fire Department and Mayor Kerzner for their help on Messinger Street during the recent heavy rainfall event.

Council Member Gorman read her letter of resignation from the Park Board. Council President Kresge thanked Gorman for all her work and breathing new life into the Park Board. A **MOTION** to accept with regret the letter of resignation for Jane Gorman from the Park Board was made by Fogel, seconded by Bilotta. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A **MOTION** to approve the minutes dated September 10, 2018 & September 24, 2018 was made by Gorman, seconded by Engle. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Manager Dysard stated that the Planning Commission reviewed and recommended approval with conditions of the land development application for the BEB Highway

Storage Village located on Bill Scott Blvd. Scott Policelli was present to review the proposal with Council and answer any questions on behalf of the applicant.

A **MOTION** was made by Engle, seconded by Schweitzer to approve the preliminary/final land development plan for 725 Bill Scott Blvd, with the following waivers:

304.B. Notice to be by posting a 2'x 3' sign. Partial waiver for two 11x17 signs.

304.F.1-6 Existing Features Plan. Specifically, the requirements of features within 100 feet of the tract boundaries.

424. Curbing along public street and common driveways and parking areas.

425. Sidewalks along public street and common driveways and parking areas.

431. Trash/Recycling Collection, Solid Waste Management

433. Street Trees along Bill Scott Blvd.

434.A.1. Buffer Planting.

435. Parking lot landscaping.

All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.

2. Manager Dysard reviewed the proposed Ordinance #981 (Messinger Street Storm Sewer Condemnation) with Council. The Ordinance is required for the Borough to file the declaration of taking on the properties that have not signed the easement agreement. A **MOTION** was made by Bilotta, seconded by Engle to adopt the Messinger Street Storm Sewer Condemnation Ordinance #981. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.
3. Manager Dysard gave Council a brief background of the Slate Belt COG HOME program that included Upper Mount Bethel Township and Bangor Borough. The program was managed by the COG and consisted of approximately fifteen properties. There were two property owners with the same last name and the person managing the program through the COG only submitted one grant for reimbursement before the deadline. The second individual was told that the project was approved. The HOME program committee (representatives from Upper Mount Bethel and Bangor) both voted to use the match money to pay for the project. Upper Mount Bethel would like all of their money returned, less any administrative costs. Lance Prator (President of the COG) was present and stated that he scheduled meetings with both municipalities to resolve this issue but representatives from Upper Mount Bethel did not attend. A **MOTION** was made by Schweitzer, seconded by Gorman to have the COG give the approximately \$11,000 balance in the HOME match account to Upper Mount Bethel with no monies coming directly from the Borough. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.
4. Lance Prator updated Council on the newly hired Slate Belt COG Animal Control Officer (Christine Cahill). Following discussions regarding the ACO program, a **MOTION** was made by Engle, seconded by Bilotta to politely decline joining the COG Animal Control program at this time. Vote 5-0-1. Yay – Kresge, Gorman, Fogel, Engle, Bilotta. Abstained -Schweitzer. **MOTION** carried.
5. Manager Dysard reviewed and discussed the preliminary 2019 budgets with Council.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

1. Council Member Fogel mentioned that the YMCA's Summer Feeding Program will be hosted by the First United Methodist Church in Bangor.
2. Solicitor Ceraul thanked Council for allowing him to attend the Zoning Hearing Meeting for the County in Easton.

3. Council Member Schweitzer attended Roseto's Council Meeting and received a Letter of Support regarding standards/regulation fill.
4. Mayor Kerzner married a couple and donated the money she received for being Mayor to Operation Slate Belt Love.
Mayor Kerzner swore in Daryl Gutierrez as a new Junior Council Member.
5. Council President Kresge thanked Daryl Gutierrez and Mayor Kerzner for working at Oktoberfest. He also thanked Manager Dysard for all his hard work on the budgets.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The Bangor Borough Council Meeting adjourned at 9:06 P.M. All were in favor.
MOTION carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tracy Palmer, Administrative Secretary