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

MINUTES MAY 9, 2022, 7:00PM

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE TO FLAG

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

James W. Kresge

James Augustine

Marissa Donnelly

Joanna Paulson

Barry G. Schweitzer

Robert Goffredo, Sr.

Rosemarie Capone

Others Present:

Mary Ellen DeFranco, Mayor

Stephen M. Reider, Borough Manager

David J. Ceraul, Esq., Solicitor

Tracy Palmer, Borough Secretary

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- 1. Janet Miller was present to thank Council for honoring Duane at the last Council Meeting.
- 2. Keith Kutz was present from Northampton Street to ask Council for an update regarding the K9 program.

ACTION ITEMS:

- 1. A **MOTION** was made by Goffredo, seconded by Augustine to approve the April 11, 2022, and April 25, 2022 minutes. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.
- 2. A public hearing was held regarding the petition to vacate the dedicated unopened right of way on A street for the possible development of a dwelling unit. Attorney Peter Layman was present representing Peter Iselo (Slate Hill Enterprises, Inc.) and Judge Leonard Zito representing Jessica Goffredo. The request to vacate the unnamed alley from the original petition was removed. Council asked questions from both parties and discussed options. Judge Zito noted that the petition was filed incorrectly. A MOTION was made by Augustine, seconded by Capone to deny the vacation of the unopened right of way on A Street, without prejudice. All were in favor. MOTION carried.
- 3. Manager Reider updated Council on the hiring of the pool staff. Reider stated that the borough is using the Slate Belt YMCA for the lifeguard certifications and the second round of training is held a week after the pool is scheduled to open. Due to a lack of certified lifeguards, Reider is recommending closing the pool on Monday and Tuesday temporarily. A MOTION was made by Augustine, seconded by Capone to authorize the temporary hours until the pool is fully staffed. All were in favor. MOTION carried.
- 4. A **MOTION** was made by Capone, seconded by Augustine to accept, with regret, the resignation of Brooke Kerzner relieving her from of all current appointed positions with Bangor Borough. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried. Council President Kresge praised Kerzner and said her heart was for the borough and wished her well.

5. A **MOTION** was made by Capone, seconded by Goffredo to adopt a Resolution to appoint Stephen Reider as Assistant Borough Secretary. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

- 1. Mayor DeFranco requested having a pool grand reopening event on June 4th. Manager Reider commented that Slate Belt Rising is having a vendor market event on the 4th and the Park Board can have a table. Reider also suggested a ribbon cutting event and he will reach out to the Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce.
- 2. Council Member Schweitzer questioned if more Park Board members are needed. Capone commented that the Park Board could use more volunteers. Solicitor Ceraul suggested an entity similar to the Friends of the Bangor Public Library.
- 3. Council President Kresge thanked Rescue Fire Company for inviting him to their banquet and acknowledged Larry Lobb for his fifty years on the Bangor fire department.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A **MOTION** to enter Executive Session at 8:58 P.M. to discuss real estate and personnel matters, with action to follow was made by Goffredo, seconded by Augustine. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.

Open session was re-entered. A **MOTION** was made by Schweitzer, seconded by Donnelly to approve the addendum to the Agreement of Sale for the Authority owned property on Ridge Road with Ms. Calantoni and her partners. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.

A **MOTION** was made by Schweitzer, seconded by Capone to approve a leave of absence for Chief Felchock with continuation of benefits and seniority. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

A **MOTION** to adjourn was made by Donnelly, seconded by Paulson. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried. The Bangor Borough Council Meeting adjourned at 10:28 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted, Tracy Palmer, Administrative Secretary