

BOROUGH OF CHALFANT – WORK SESSION

June 9, 2020

PRESENT: Mayor Perry, Dr. Pustorino (via phone), Mss. Fullwood, Baburich, Messrs. Hoover, Syska, Royster.

ABSENT: Mr. Lilac

The work session began at 7:00 pm and ended at 7:45 pm.

BOROUGH OF CHALFANT - REGULAR MEETING

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PRESENT: Mayor Perry, Mss. Baburich, Fullwood, Messrs. Hoover, Syska, Royster, Solicitor Evashavik.

ABSENT: Dr. Pustorino, Mr. Lilac

Mr. Hoover called the meeting to order and led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Baburich, seconded by Syska, to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting. Motion was unanimous.

Motion by Baburich, seconded by Royster, to approve the bank balances as read. Motion was unanimous.

Motion by Syska, seconded by Baburich, to approve for payment of the bills for the month after being properly countersigned. Motion was unanimous.

Motion by Fullwood, seconded by Syska, to approve the Tax Collection report as read. Motion was unanimous.

MAYOR

For the month of April, there were 24, 911 calls and 179 regular patrols by F.H.P.D. The majority of the 911 calls were:

4- Disturbance calls

4- Domestic

3- Alarm calls

2- Animal complaints

2- Parking complaints

2- Traffic stops

There were no questions from Council.

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SOLICITOR

Sol. Evashavik advised that Corrective Action Plan/Tap Allocation Plans expire on June 30; he will reach out to Bob regarding the CAP/TAPs to see if Chalfant is affected.

Mr. Hoover advised that Chalfant has received CDBG funding for the demolition of 120 Fairview. Sol. Evashavik detailed the condemnation hearing procedure and Council discussed scheduling the condemnation hearing for August 11th.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Hoover advised that the summer edition of the Newsletter will be coming soon.

PERMITS AND ORDINANCE

There were 83 violations on 21 properties in May:

- 1- Brighton St.
- 1- Fairview Ave.
- 2- Greenfield Ave
- 6- Highland Ave.
- 2- Lynnwood Ave.
- 2- North Ave.
- 4- Parkway Ave.
- 1- West St.
- 2- Wilkins

Motion by Baburich, seconded by Syska, to transfer \$41,000.00 from the General Fund Money Market to the General Fund Checking. Motion was unanimous.

Mr. Hoover opened a hearing for Ordinance 433 which prohibits the feeding of deer and asked if there were any questions. Carol Donahue asked what the ordinance is? Mr. Hoover explained that it prohibits the feeding of deer in the borough. The ordinance requires bird feeders to be kept at least nine feet above ground and the area below the feeders must be kept clear. There were no other questions and the hearing was closed.

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Motion by Baburich, seconded by Fullwood, to pass Ordinance 433. Motion was unanimous.

ROADS AND PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. Syska advised that he submitted Chalfant's application to the Duquesne Light LED Street Light Conversion Program. Chalfant will be replacing 14 total street lights with LED lights on Elizabeth Ave., Wilkins Ave., and part of Brighton St. There were no questions from Council.

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Ms. Fullwood advised that Chalfant has submitted six storm drains to Borough Engineer, Robert Zischkau, for rehabilitation.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Mr. Royster advised that there were two calls to the Chalfant VFC in May. He read a detailed narrative of each call and the number of members attending.

PARKS AND RECREATION/BOROUGH PROPERTY

Mr. Royster read Mr. Lilac's report; he advised that the water is now on at the park and the Port-a-John has now been installed. Mr. Royster explained that the electrician has been notified about the light in the park that keeps going out and the issue will be addressed. The wall has been painted at the park and all lights at the Community Center and the Public Safety Building have been checked and are working.

WHEMS

Mr. Royster advised there were four calls to WHEMS in May. He read the date, location, and outcome of each incident.

Motion by Royster, seconded by Baburich, to transfer \$1,435.25, which is the amount of WHEMS tax collected in May, from the General Fund Money Market Account to the WHEMS Money Market. Motion was unanimous.

Ms. Fullwood asked if a child moves back into their parent's house, are they covered under the tax? Mr. Hoover advised that yes, they are, but they need to report the change in household to the borough secretary.

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CRIME WATCH

No report.

TAX COLLECTOR

Ms. Donahue inquired about the resolution that was passed at the last meeting extending the face value collection for borough taxes through the end of 2020; how is this information being publicized? Mr. Hoover advised that Council will put out notification on Chalfant's various social media platforms and Swiftreach. Ms. Donahue will remind Dr. Pustorino to also include the information in the Newsletter.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Doris Libell, 127 Lynnwood Ave., thanked the Mayor for his help following an incident with a suspicious car parked on Lynnwood Ave. for multiple nights. Ms. Libell said she will call the police if she sees suspicious activity in the future. Ms. Libell asked if the park is now open? Mr. Hoover advised that the park is now fully open but the CDC's COVID-19 guidelines are still in place.

Ms. Baburich asked if the Car Cruise fundraiser for the VFC would be cancelled this year? Mr. Hoover advised that it hasn't been determined at this time.

Ms. Fullwood explained that the Greensburg Pike has been milled and is still awaiting paving; as a result, traffic is cutting through Chalfant to avoid it. Council then discussed the project and recommended calling Allegheny County to complain.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

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ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Baburich, seconded by Syska, to adjourn at 7:28 p.m. Motion was unanimous.

ATTEST: _____
Borough Secretary Council President

