BOROUGH OF CHALFANT – WORK SESSION

November 10, 2020

PRESENT: Mayor Perry, Dr. Pustorino, Mss Baburich, Fullwood, Messrs. Hoover, Syska, Royster, Lilac

ABSENT: None.

The work session began at 7:00 pm and ended at 8:40 pm.

BOROUGH OF CHALFANT - REGULAR MEETING

November 11, 2020

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

ABSENT: None.

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

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

Motion by Pustorino, seconded by Lilac, to approve the bank balances as read. Motion was unanimous.

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

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

MAYOR

There were 180 routine patrols by the Forest Hills Police Department and 18, 911 calls in October. The majority of the 911 calls were:

- 4- Domestics
- 2-Assists from other departments
- 2- Calls

Mayor Perry explained that while it was a low call month in October, there have been a rash of car break-ins in November. Two individuals were rummaging through unlocked cars throughout the borough; one of the individuals behaved boldly and did not run when alarms went off. Mayor Perry said it is essential for all residents to keep their vehicles locked.

There were no questions from Council.

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SOLICITOR

Sol. Evashavik advised that he attended the 3 Rivers Wet Weather meeting for solicitors and submitted a redline agreement for the Alcosan Regionalization Transfer; the new agreement will be emailed and should replace the prior agreement on record.

Mr. Hoover asked about the proposed 2015 International Property Maintenance Code update and noted that Code Officer, Sean Gramz, submitted suggestions for amending the 2015 IPMC before it's adopted by Council. Sol. Evashavik looked briefly at the suggestions that included tightening up regulations regarding outdoor furniture and porches used for storage. Mr. Hoover encouraged members of Council to review the chain of emails so it can be discussed next month.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

Dr. Pustorino advised that the website is back online and functioning.

Dr. Pustorino explained that the Woodland Hills School District is still not ready for in-person schooling but by mid November, there should be a projection available to the public for the school to resume with students on a rotating schedule. Dr. Pustorino gave several other updates from the WHSD, including information regarding the ongoing construction at the high school.

Dr. Pustorino explained that with COVID-19 numbers rising locally, Council will be moving to Zoom, which provides remote audio and video conference services.

Motion by Pustorino, seconded by Syska, to advertise that Council will be conducting meetings via Zoom until further notice. Motion was unanimous. All meetings will continue to be open to the public.

PERMITS AND ORDINANCE

Ms. Baburich advised that there were two dumpster permits issued in October.

There were four occupancy inspections in October; all failed.

There were 64 violations in October on 16 properties.

16- Brighton St.

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- 1- Greenfield Ave
- 2- Highland Ave.
- 21- Lynnwood Ave.
- 18- North Ave.
- 4- Parkway
- 2- Wilkins

As of Friday, November 6, there were 13 properties with 60 violations

- 16- Brighton St.
- 1- Greenfield Ave.
- 21- Lynnwood Ave.
- 18- North Ave.
- 2- Parkway Ave.
- 2- Wilkins Ave.

There were three cases closed between September 1 and October 31.

Motion by Baburich, seconded by Pustorino, to donate \$100.00 to Presents from Police. Chalfant's donation will go toward purchasing toys for patients at Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh during the holiday season and will be presented to Presents from Police at the ACBA General Membership Meeting on December 3, 2020. Motion was unanimous.

ROADS AND PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. Syska advised that the Forest Hills DPW has finished painting the curbs and hydrants in the borough and are evaluating the best and cheapest method for cleaning out the debris behind the Jersey barriers. Mr. Syska explained that leaf collection will take place on November 24 and 25. Residents should place leaves for collection at the edge of their property, not in the street.

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HEALTH AND SANITATION

No report.

PUBLIC SAFETY

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

Revenue from the VFC Hoagie Sale fundraiser will be available next month.

PARKS AND RECREATION/BOROUGH PROPERTY

Mr. Lilac advised that work to the exterior of the Community Center has been completed; he is currently working to get quotes for the tree on Highland Ave.

Mr. Lilac wished a happy Veteran's Day to all service members.

Mr. Hoover said that Council salutes veterans for their service and thanked Mr. Lilac's family for their service.

WHEMS

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

CRIME WATCH

No report.

TAX COLLECTOR

No report.

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CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Carol Donahue, 110 Greenfield Ave., asked about Council's move to Zoom and how it will work? Dr. Pustorino explained that a link will be provided to Council and anyone that requests one; a link will also be posted to the website. If residents aren't comfortable using the application, they can always dial in on a phone to participate.

Ms. Donahue asked about the website since it had been down. Dr. Pustorino explained that it is back up and running but there are still some issues with the plug-ins that she is working to resolve.

Dr. Pustorino advised there will be a winter Newsletter and the deadline to submit information is December 1.

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None.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Pustorino, seconded by Fullwood, to advertise the 2021 Budget. Motion was unanimous. Mr. Hoover explained there is no tax increase for 2021 and the budget will be available for inspection at the borough office.

Motion by Pustorino, seconded by Syska, to advertise the 2021 Council caucus meeting and regular meeting dates. Meetings may be hosted virtually via Zoom as needed. Motion was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT

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	Borough Secretary	Council President		