

BOROUGH OF CHALFANT – WORK SESSION

July 9, 2024

PRESENT: Mayor Perry, Mss. Fullwood, Hillen, Sivak, Messrs. Hoover, Royster, Sauter.

ABSENT: Mr. Lilac.

The work session began at 7:00 p.m. and ended at 8:33 p.m.

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PRESENT: Mayor Perry, Sol. Evashavik, Mss. Fullwood, Hillen, Sivak, Messrs. Hoover, Royster, Lilac.

ABSENT: Mr. Sauter

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

Motion by Hillen, seconded by Fullwood, to approve the minutes from the last regular meeting. The motion was unanimous.

Motion by Lilac, seconded by Hillen, to approve the bank balances as read. The motion was unanimous.

Motion by Sivak, seconded by Royster, to approve payment of the monthly bills after being properly countersigned. The motion was unanimous.

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

MAYOR

Before moving forward with the reports, Mayor Perry honored the former Chalfant Volunteer Fire Company. Mayor Perry presented a plaque in grateful recognition of the courageous members' unwavering commitment to their community. Mr. Hoover presented individual plaques to Fire Chief Raymond Wroblewski for 47 years of service, Assistant Chief Kenneth Bichsel Jr. for 38 years of service, and lifetime member, John Minniji (not in attendance), for almost 40 years of service. Mr. Hoover thanked the members for their dedication.

There were 159 routine patrols by the Forest Hills Police Department and 47, 911 calls in June. The majority of the 911 calls were:

13 - Parking complaints

11 - Disabled vehicles

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4 - Assists

3- EMS calls

2 - Domestic.

There were no questions from Council.

SOLICITOR

No report.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

Motion by Fullwood, seconded by Hillen, to refund Affordable Living, LLC, in the amount of \$75 for overpayment of the 2024 Landlord Tenant Registration fee. Affordable Living mistakenly included payment for a commercial unit at 219 North Avenue. The motion was unanimous.

Motion by Fullwood, seconded by Lilac, to pay the borough credit card invoice in the amount of \$19.84 for Ms. Sivak's nameplate. The motion was unanimous.

Motion by Fullwood, seconded by Sivak, to pay the Office Depot credit card invoice in the amount of \$169.46 for borough office supplies. The motion was unanimous.

Ms. Fullwood advised that she is currently typing up the Newsletter and is awaiting content. If anyone has a contribution, please reach out as soon as possible.

PERMITS AND ORDINANCES

Ms. Hillen advised that one stop work order and two dumpster permits were issued in June. There was one initial occupancy inspection with one certificate of occupancy issued.

Ms. Hillen explained that seven cases were opened in June, one was closed, and 66 cases were continued.

ROADS AND PUBLIC WORKS

Ms. Hillen advised that the DPW is working to address potholes in the borough. Curb painting is expected to occur in August or September. The alley behind Lynnwood was trimmed and

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asphalted at both ends and West St. has been trimmed. Mr. Sauter is working to identify stop signs that need to be replaced. Mr. Hoover advised the DPW will drag the infield; there has been some interest from residents in using the field recently. Mr. Hoover added that a one-way sign is down on Lynnwood and needs to be rehung.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND WHEMS

Mr. Royster advised that there were no calls to the Forest Hills VFC in June.

Mr. Royster advised that there were five calls to WHEMS in June.

Motion by Royster, seconded by Lilac, to transfer \$554.85 from the GF MM Account to the WHEMS MM Account. This was the amount of WHEMS tax collected in June. The motion was unanimous.

ALCOSAN

Motion by Royster, seconded by Fullwood, to pay the Soli Construction Inc. invoice in the amount of \$30,850.00 for the West Street Storm Sewer Relocation as recommended by Borough Engineer, Robert Zischkau. The motion was unanimous.

Motion by Royster, seconded by Lilac, to transfer \$30,850.00 from the Sewer Line Fund to the GF Checking to cover the expense. The motion was unanimous.

HEALTH AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Ms. Sivak advised that she and Mr. Lilac are working to schedule a movie in the park event for late summer. The date is still to be determined.

PARKS AND RECREATION/BOROUGH PROPERTY

Motion by Lilac, seconded by Hillen, to pay Classic Landscaping, Inc.'s invoice in the amount of \$3,500.00 for tree trimming and removal at Chalfant Servicemen's Memorial Park. This expense was discussed at the June caucus meeting. The motion was unanimous.

CRIME WATCH

Ms. Bouvier explained that August 7th is Steve Orosz Day in honor of her father, former Mayor Steve Orosz. The Orosz family purchased a bench for the Community Center in former Mayor Orosz's memory and plans to have a dedication on August 7th during the day, time to be determined.

Ms. Bouvier explained that August 6th is National Night Out; she plans to submit some information about a National Night Out Crime Watch event to Ms. Fullwood for the Newsletter.

TAX COLLECTOR

Ms. Donahue advised that the Woodland Hills School District tax bills went out a little late due to a printing issue. If any residents have not received their bill, please reach out to Ms. Donahue.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Ashley (no surname provided), 201 Wilkins Avenue, said that their vehicle was just surrounded by the police, and her father-in-law and her fiance were both arrested on warrants. Ashley said the police would not disclose the warrants to her. Her father-in-law takes medication and Ashley said she is his caregiver. Ashley said there was a previous incident where her fiance was following behind a cop. She said she believes it is legal to follow officers and record them. Ashley said they were coming to the meeting tonight to talk about what they allege is a lack of duty by the police. Ashley reiterated that her father-in-law takes medication and asked what she can do. Sol. Evashavik advised Council members not to respond and advised that this is not the appropriate body to provide an answer; Ashley may consult an attorney, Neighborhood Legal Services, or contact the jail. Sol. Evashavik asked if Ashley had any other questions. Ashley stated that they they feel that the Forest Hills Police are not doing their jobs and they were coming tonight to talk about defunding the police. Sol. Evashavik stated that there is always a different side to every story and he doesn't believe it is appropriate for Council to respond. Mr. Hoover thanked Ashley for her comments.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

