BOROUGH OF PATTERSON HEIGHTS COUNCIL MINUTES FEBRUARY 17, 2021

The meeting was conducted in-person, with some council members attending via Zoom. The public had the same options of attending the meeting. For borough residents who wished to monitor the meeting and/or participate, login information was published on the Borough website, www.patterson-hgts.com. Council will hold another meeting via Zoom in March, and perhaps for several more months, depending on the situation with the coronavirus. Borough residents will be notified through social media and the website. The meeting was called to order by Council President Bill Starn at 7:00 p.m., and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. The roll was called.

Attendance -- Council Members attending included President Bill Starn, Vice-President Jim Turnbull, Andy Briggs, Bryan Landman, Jan Livingston, Laura Trehar, and Andrew Why. Other officials attending included Mayor Ron Tyger, Police Chief Dave Stanislawski, Fire Chief Jason Medlin, Solicitor Frank Paganie, Tax Collector Nadine Galbreath, and Secretary/Treasurer Jack Doyle.

Minutes – Laura Trehar moved that Council approve the minutes of the January 20, 2021 meeting. The motion was seconded by Andrew Why. The motion to approve the minutes was passed unanimously.

Police Report – Chief Stanislawski presented the monthly report for January, 2021. There were 99 calls for service, including 84 sessions of monitoring traffic. One citation was issued.

Fire Report – Chief Medlin's report indicated 11 calls in January, one of which was in Patterson Heights. There are two training sessions scheduled in April.

Visitors – No visitors sought recognition.

Solicitor – Mr. Paganie discussed an offer from a new company to maintain the elevator. The Borough should realize cost savings, and receive quicker service. Jim Turnbull moved that we sign a contract with the new company, Bryan Landman seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Paganie also asked for authorization to advertise proposed new ordinance #284. Bryan Landman moved that Frank proceed with the authorization, Jim Turnbull seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Code Enforcement – Two properties are currently under investigation, one for a sump pump, one for discharging water onto a neighbor's property. Two fines are being paid monthly, one for a nuisance under property maintenance, and the other for driving an overweight truck through the Borough. Our new building inspector assigned by BIU is Canaan Bey.

Correspondence - None.

Tax Collector – Nadine Galbreath made deposits of \$2,073.96 in January, and \$1,362.54 so far in February. Yet to be collected for 2020 is \$7,338.

Secretary/Treasurer – Receipts since the last Council Meeting total \$13,071.59.

Public Safety Committee – Council decided that trash cans on the streets, and cars facing the wrong way could result in citations, as they can interfere with snow plowing. Placement of trash cans will be regulated by the International Property Maintenance Code.

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Budget and Finance Committee – discussion to be held under Old Business.

Buildings and Grounds – Nothing to report.

Streets and Sewers – Council discussed an inlet/storm sewer problem on 6th Street.

Recreation - Community Day will be held on August 7.

New Business - None.

Old Business – Council discussed having a second public works employee, and decided to take up the matter again in March.

Mayor, COG - Nothing to report.

Emergency Management – Bryan Landman reported an upcoming training to be held on March 6.

Announcements - None.

Fiscal and Contractual – Jim Turnbull moved that the bills be paid or ratified as presented. Bryan Landman seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment – Bryan Landman motioned for adjournment. Andrew Why seconded, and the meeting ended at 8:37 p.m. The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, March 17, 2021, at 7pm.

William Starn, President

Jack D. Doyle, Secretary