

AGENDA – MONDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2021
FOREST CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

- **CALL TO ORDER** – (Pres. Nick Cost)
- **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.** (*All stand*)
- **ROLL CALL**

PUBLIC COMMENT (*specific to agenda items*)

President Cost opens the floor for public comment:

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. ADMINISTRATION: (Joann Matarese)

- a) Motion to Approve Regular Meeting Minutes from November 1 2021 (*Motion, second - All in favor? Any opposed?*)
- b) Motion to Approve Treasurer’s Report for November 2021 (*Motion, second - roll call vote*);
- c) Distribute 2022 proposed budget (General Fund & Sewer Company) – If acceptable to Council Members, vote to Adopt (*Motion, second – Roll call vote*).
- d) Resolution #7 – Fixing the tax rate for 2022. (*Motion, second – roll call vote*);
- e) Hourly rate increase for full-time staff effective January 1, 2022.

B. PUBLIC WORKS: (Vice President Scalzo)

- a) November 2021 Public Works Report;
- b) Billed Vandling for Cinders/Salt mix – 3 buckets @ \$65/load - \$195;
- c) Guiderail bids for Welch Street. (*Motion, second – roll call vote*)

C. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS (Robert Lesjack)

- a) Report on Pentecost Hall “Open House” held November 14;
- b) Resolution #8 – Adopt Rental Agreement and Fee schedule for Pentecost Hall (*Motion, second – roll call vote*)

D. COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: (Amy Bean)

- a) Presentation on “Outdoor Town” Progress by Action Team (Erin Debish, Suzanne Atcavage)

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E. PARKS & RECREATION (Tracey Lazier)

- a) Upcoming: Main Street Holiday Event and Soup Cook-off & Fishing Derby
- b) Bathroom renovations.

F. CODE ENFORCEMENT - SAFETY & HEALTH (Chris DeGonzague)

- a) Bids for Storm Drain on Susquehanna St.

MAYOR’S REPORT: (Mayor Christopher Ginton)

- 1) November 2021 Police Report;
- 2) Memo of Understanding with F.C. Regional School – increase fee for police coverage to \$100 per officer per event;
- 3) Hourly rate increase for Part-time police officers effective January 1, 2022
(Motion, second - roll call vote);
- 4) Annual increase per contract for Officer-in-Charge John Foley; *(Motion, second - roll call vote);*
- 5) Purchase Taser Cartridges from Axon Enterprise, Inc. - \$1,998. *(Motion, second - roll call vote).*
- 6) Request to purchase IT Service from Topp Business solutions for Police Dept. desktop and laptop computers – 5 hours at \$475, additional hours purchased as needed. *(Motion, second - roll call vote).*
- 7) Submitted request for balance of 2019 Vest Grant - \$404.79 – Vest purchased from Starr Uniform for Officer Diaz.
- 8) Officer Coulthard will be fitted for vest to be reimbursed by the 2021 Grant.

SOLICITOR REPORT – (Marissa McAndrew, Esq.)

- 1) Executive session to discuss potential litigation issues after the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS – (President Cost)

- 1) Vandling’s signed acceptance of the increase from \$65 to \$70/bucketload of salt/cinder mix effective 12/1/2021;
- 2) Open bids for Susquehanna Street pipe project, *(Motion, second - roll call vote)*
- 3) Membership application for the GFCBA – 2 yrs. With inclusion in brochure & map - \$125 *(Motion, second - roll call vote):*
- 4) Annual Christmas Greeting in the Forest City News – 5x5 -\$60. *(Motion, second - roll call vote)*

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PUBLIC COMMENTS or QUESTIONS: (President Cost)

ANNOUNCEMENTS: (President Cost)

- 1) The Borough office will be closed on Friday, December 24 & Monday, December 27th for the Christmas Holiday.
- 2) The Borough office will be closed on Friday, December 31st in observance of New Year's Day.
- 3) The next Council Meeting will be the Bi-Annual Reorganization meeting on Monday, January 3, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: President Cost requests motion to adjourn – (*Motion - All in favor? Any opposed?*)