

AGENDA – MONDAY, MAY 2, 2022

FOREST CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

- **CALL TO ORDER**
- **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.** (*All stand*)
- **ROLL CALL**

PUBLIC COMMENT (*specific to agenda items*)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. ADMINISTRATION: (Joann Matarese)

- a) Motion to Approve Regular Meeting Minutes from April 4, 2022 (*Motion, second - All in favor? Any opposed?*)
- b) Motion to Approve Treasurer's Report for April, 2022 (*Motion, second - roll call vote*);
- c) The Dog Park at Babe Ruth Park will be closed most of the week of May 2nd due to the installation of new equipment. The Forest City Lions Club is making a donation to cover the cost of rental for the Auger.

B. PUBLIC WORKS: (Bernie Scalzo)

- a) April 2022 Public Works Report;
- b) Announce second Yard Waste pickup – 3rd or last week of May, if needed.

C. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS (Nick Cost)

- a) Purchase (2) air conditioners for the general office – Lowe's \$358. (\$179 each) (*Motion, second - roll call vote*).

D. COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: (Amy Bean)

- a) Report on Easter on Main held Wednesday, April 13;
- b) "Outdoor Towns Action Team" proposals – Murals on the buildings, and the Gazebo at the top of Center Street & the area by the F.C. Library.

E. PARKS & RECREATION (Tracey Lazier)

- a) Parks & Rec Meeting report held 4/4/2022;
- b) Playground Equipment – Recreation Resource USA, Burke's Playground Quote \$71,954 installed – COVID ARPA funds – ½ at time of order, balance net 30 after completion - (*Motion, second - roll call vote*);
- c) Purchase beach sand from Blooming Grove Sand & Gravel – funded by donated funds Parks & Rec account – approx. \$2,500; (*Motion, second - roll call vote*);
- d) Purchase refurbished golf cart from Barry Saam - \$1,000 – fund raising proceeds from Parks & Rec. Account. (*Motion, second - roll call vote*);
- e) Bathroom renovations – Professional fee – Engineering services CAM Architect - \$3,650. (*Motion, second - roll call vote*)

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

- a) Code Enforcement update for April 2022.

MAYOR'S REPORT: (Mayor Christopher Ginton)

- a) April 2022 Police Report;

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- b) Report on “Drug Take-Back” held Saturday, April 30, 2022:
- c) Recommend New Hire (**rehire**) Lauren Fizz – Part-time Officer - \$17.25/hour. (*Motion, second - roll call vote*);
- d) Request Council’s approval to work with the Police Department to establish a new Code Enforcement protocol and develop procedures that will strengthen the Borough’s enforcement capabilities. (*Motion, second - roll call vote*)

SOLICITOR REPORT – (Marissa McAndrew, Esq.)

NEW BUSINESS:

- a) Rail-Trail Council increased the cost of the Annual Lease #81760075-discharge pipe on Erie Street from \$249.31 to \$274.24 effective for 2022. (*Motion, second - roll call vote*);
- b) **Discuss** a Resolution to support Cannabis Legalization requested by David Bolton, of the PSAB Board of Directors & the PSAB Resolution & Policy Committee – Resolution #4_2022. (*Motion, second - roll call vote or Table*).

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

- a) PennDot has approved the extension for the Multimodal Grant for Main Street Sidewalks to December 10, 2023;
- b) ARPA (COVID) Project report filed (deadline was 4/30/2022) with three **tentative** projects that fall under Outdoor Recreation and Community & Economic Development, Guideline approved categories. These projects are based “loosely” on discussions at prior public meetings. These are estimated and will require more specific information as the projects proceed, which may leave money for other projects in 2022. Total \$182,229.10 - (*Motion, second - roll call vote*)

PUBLIC COMMENTS or QUESTIONS:

CORRESPONDANCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The Mayor and Council members are invited to the Grand Opening of the CareNet Pregnancy Center of NEPA on Wednesday, May 25 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at 528 Main Street.
- An email from Forest City Librarian Lisa Spangenberg thanking Council for their support and announcing new Library hours effective May 1, 2022.
- A thank you note from Brian Fitzsimmons on behalf of the F.C. Baseball & Softball Association.
- The next Council Meeting will be held on Monday, June 6, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: (*Motion, second - All in favor? Any opposed?*)