

AGENDA – MONDAY – July 1st, 2024

FOREST CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

- **CALL TO ORDER**
- **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** (*All stand*)
- **ROLL CALL**
- **ANNOUNCEMENT:** President DeGonzague read the meeting rules and informed everyone comments will be limited to three minutes and will be limited to residents speaking once when recognized. An executive session was held after the June 3rd, 2024 meeting and June 24, 2024 to discuss ongoing litigation and personal issues.

PUBLIC COMMENT (*specific to agenda items*)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. ADMINISTRATION:** (Robert Lesjack)
- a) Motion to Approve Regular Meeting Minutes from June 3, 2024 (*Motion, second - All in favor? Any opposed?*)
 - b) Motion to Approve the June 2024 Treasurer’s Report (*Motion, second - roll call vote*);
 - c) Forest City Area Emergency Services is asking for support in the amount of \$12,933.00 for Vehicle insurance. (*Motion, second - roll call vote*);
 - d) Berkheimer tax collection is asking for signatures on their resolution for permission from the Borough for Secretary/Treasurer to receive electronic deposits (*Motion, second - roll call vote*);
 - e) Request a sewer audit from Brian T. Kelly, CPA & Associates, LLC (*Motion, second - roll call vote*);
 - f) Hiring of a PA State Constable for Council meeting at \$50 per hour (*Motion, second - roll call vote*);
 - g) The borough office will be closed July 4th & 5th in observance of Independence Day.
 - h) Receive \$111,979.52 from Act 13 dividends from natural gas producers in Pennsylvania during 2023.
 - i) Secretary/Treasurer completed her 90day probation period as of June 21st, 2024 and will receive her raise effective on June 24th, 2024 from \$18 per hour to \$19 per hour.
- B. PUBLIC WORKS:** (Bernie Scalzo)
- a) June 2024 Public Works Report;
 - b) June recycling donations for June \$240.00
- C. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS:** (Sarah Woody)
- a) Work on Borough building roof is at 75% completed
- D. COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:** (Amy Bean)
- a) Action Team updates, minutes & agenda;
 - b) Action Team next public meeting Thursday, July 11th, 2024 at 6 p.m.;
 - c) Application for the GFCBA for street closure on August 3rd, 2024 from 5 p.m. – 10 p.m. with light parade to begin at 9 p.m. was submitted.
 - d) Action Team update on EMHR Partnership/Mini-Grants Program
 - e) Update on the bike racks and request to purchase 3 bike racks signs (*Motion, second - roll call vote*);

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E. PARKS & RECREATION: (Nick Cost)

- a) Reminder July 21st, 2024 Vendor Market;
- b) Update – Reptile Pete June 29th, 2024 @ Kennedy Park;
- j) Fishing Derby August 3rd, 2024 – Motion to purchase prizes and food not to exceed \$640 from donations received that are in our account (*Motion, second - roll call vote*);
- k) Joanne Matarese would like to donate a storage shed at the dog park. It would be in memory of her dog Darcey who recently passed. Her husband would be building it and it would be approximately 8 to 10 feet and there will be no cost to the Borough.

F. COMMUNITY SAFETY & HEALTH: (Tracey Lazier)

- a) -

G. CODE ENFORCEMENT: (Robert Lesjack)

- a) June 2024 Code Enforcement Report - Joe Unis;
- b) The hiring of new lawyer, Donald G. Karpowich, Esq. for Code Enforcement issues and any additional Municipality issues at a rate of \$150 per hour (*Motion, second - roll call vote*)

MAYOR'S REPORT: (Mayor Christopher Ginton)

- a) June 2024 Police Report;

SOLICITOR: (Marissa McAndrew, Esq.)

NEW BUSINESS: (President DeGonzague)

- a) The FC Salvation is asking permission to use the concession stand again this year for our 2024 Foresters Summer Lunch food pantry for 30 area families. These 2 food giveaways will be on Tuesday July 16th, 2024 and Tuesday August 13th, 2024 from 12:00 – 2:00pm. (*Motion, second - All in favor? Any opposed?*)

PUBLIC COMMENTS or QUESTIONS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The next regular Council meeting will be on Monday, August 5th, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

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