

AGENDA – MONDAY – March 3rd , 2025

FOREST CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

- **CALL TO ORDER**

- **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** (*All stand*)

- **ROLL CALL**

- **ANNOUNCEMENT:**

A work session was held on February 24, 2025 regarding agenda items that need discussion

PUBLIC COMMENT (*specific to agenda items*);

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. ADMINISTRATION: (Jason Obelenus)

- a) Motion to Approve Regular Meeting Minutes from February 3rd, 2025 (*Motion, second - All in favor? Any opposed?*);
- b) Motion to Approve the February 2025 Treasurer's Report (*Motion, second - roll call vote*);
- c) The Borough received \$3,375.36 in TLR (Target Loss Ratio – excess of the company's target profit point reimbursed to borough) return from Insurance Company.
- d) Motion to terminate G.H. Harris as the Borough's collection agency for delinquent sewer and garbage fees (*Motion, second - roll call vote*);
- e) Everyone has "Letters of Financial Interest" in your folders to be completed and due to Secretary/Treasurer by May 5, 2025;
- f) Everyone has the "2025 Bidding Thresholds" in their folder for future reference;
- g) Notice from Honesdale National Bank.; the bank will be implementing "Positive Pay" effective March 10, 2025. Council members can reach out to Landon Firmstone @ Honesdale National Bank – 570-229-5903 or email @ lfirmstone@hnbbank.com for more information on this process;

B. PUBLIC WORKS: (Bernie Scalzo)

- a) January 2025 Public Works Report;
- b) January 2025 recycling donations \$107;
- c) Update on JHA's proposal of work to be done on Susquehanna Street;

C. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: (Sarah Woody)

- a) Motion to approve the hire of a janitorial person for the Borough Building @ a rate of \$25/hour doing 3 to 4 hours quarterly, Kara Erdman; (*Motion, second - roll call vote*);
- b) Motion to approve the Library's request to use the 3rd floor on March 24, 2025 to conduct their monthly board meeting; (*Motion, second - All in favor? Any opposed?*)

D. COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: (Amy Bean)

- a) Action Team updates, minutes & agenda;

E. PARKS & RECREATION: (Michael Norella Sr.)

- a) Change in Soup Cook-Off March 22, 2025;
- b) FC Parks and Recreation is asking for Monetary or Candy Donations for the Easter Egg Hunt 2025 @ Kennedy Park;
- c) Motion to approve a \$250 donation to Kennedy Park; (*Motion, second - roll call vote*);

F. COMMUNITY SAFETY & HEALTH: (Christopher DeGonzague)

- a) ;

G. CODE ENFORCEMENT: (Eileen Lynch)

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- a) February 2025 Code Enforcement report and update;
- b) Pick a date for a Work Session to discuss the of Quality of Life Ordinance;
- d) Motion to approve the purchase of security camera from New Era Security, Inc. @ a cost of \$430 for the Office of the Mayor/Code Enforcement; (*Motion, second - roll call vote*);

MAYOR’S REPORT: (Mayor Christopher Ginton)

- a) February 2025 Police Report;

SOLICITOR: (Marissa McAndrew);

- a) Sewer lien, letters update;
- b) Update concerning charge on Attorney Karpovich’s invoice for “Phone Conference with Supervisor Bean” regarding potential removal from council - action from Susquehanna County DA;

CONTINUED BUSINESS: (Various Council Members)

- a) Update on the use of Payroll Services;
- b) Discuss water issues on Hudson Street, the water issue on Susquehanna Street, and the Main Street truck issue and how to proceed.
- c) Discuss road repair bid for North Street, Upper N. Main Street, Fell Street and Caryl StreetDiscuss road repair bid for North Street, Upper N. Main Street, Fell Street and Caryl Street;
- d) PENNDOT Highway Occupancy Permit has been Issued for the East Side Sidewalk Grant - Application Approved;
- e) Meeting with KBA to discuss the Multimodal Grant and Sidewalk project for the east side of Main Street, tentatively set for March 10, 2025 @ 6 pm;
- f) Work session to be set up with business owners and council before the May 2025 meeting;

NEW BUSINESS:

- a) Motion to terminate “CASH PAYMENTS”; Effective April 1, 2025 the Forest City Borough will not be accepting “CASH” as a method of payment for “Sewer and Garbage Billing”; (*Motion, second - roll call vote*);

PUBLIC COMMENTS or QUESTIONS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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