# BOROUGH OF WHITE OAK Minutes of a Council Meeting July 16, 2018, 8:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER: President Dave Pasternak called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Dave Pasternak

ROLL CALL: Dave Pasternak requested the roll call. In attendance was:

### **Elected Officials:**

Mayor Ina Marton
David J. Pasternak, President
Louis Bender
Charles Davis
George Dillinger
Stephen Pholar
Kenneth Robb

### **Borough Staff and Professional Services:**

Krisha DiMascio, Borough Solicitor Shane Michael, Borough Engineer Michelle Gessner, Assistant Secretary John Palyo, Borough Manager

MINUTES: Charles Davis made a motion to accept the minutes of the June 18, 2018 Council Meeting. Kenneth Robb seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Krisha DiMascio announced that prior to the Council meeting of July 16, 2018, Council had an Executive Session to discuss personnel and pending legal matters. Following the Workshop meeting of July 9, 2018, Council had an Executive Session to discuss personnel and pending legal matters.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None, Dave Pasternak closed the public session portion of the agenda.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Dave Pasternak announced that the Borough was approved by the PA Department of Transportation's under the Green Light-Go program in the amount of \$601,808, for signal upgrades and intersection safety improvements to the six traffic signal intersections.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Marton provided the Police Activity Report for May 2018.

Arrests: 16 (16 adults / 0 juvenile)	
Assault	3
Drug offenses (Violation of Act 35)	9
DUI	1
False Identification to Law Enforcement	1
Person Not to Possess Firearm	1
Theft	1
Summary traffic offenses	74
Total incidents	637

Mayor Marton made the following announcements:

- Bridge City Church is hosting a Car Cruise on Saturday, July 21<sup>st</sup> from 5:00 to 8:30 PM at their location 3001 Jacks Run Road. The event is to benefit the White Oak Police Department.
- The Brain Cancer Awareness 5K is scheduled for Saturday, August 18<sup>th</sup> and is located at the White Oak County Park. There is a link for information and registration forms located on our website.
- Our Police Department received a compliance monitoring visit on July 3<sup>rd</sup> by the PA Commission on Crime and Delinquency. Our visit was to review how juveniles are being handled within our Department. The visit resulted in no violations or problems requiring formal resolutions and our Department appears to be in full compliance with core protections identified within federal Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 2002. We were commended for our hard work and dedication toward ensuring how juveniles are being handled in a manner that is consistent with federal requirements. I would like to thank Juvenile Officer Ken Wehrli and Chief Mark Sargent for their work to keep our department within compliance standards.

The Mayor requested formal action by Council to approve a \$ 200.00 donation to support the White Oak Rotary Scholarship Fund. Stephen Pholar made a motion. Charles Davis seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

## **COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

FINANCE: George Dillinger presented the finance report.

George Dillinger made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report for June 2018 as read. Kenneth Robb seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

George Dillinger made a motion approving the Check Register for the month of June, which includes Electronic Fund Transfers and General Fund Checks in the following ranges (108877 to 108881) and (203247 to 203351) totaling \$343,544.13.. Charles Davis seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

George Dillinger made a motion authorizing the following Interfund Transfers for June. Stephen Pholar seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

From	То	Amount
Liquid Fuels	General Fund	8,121.81
Solid Waste	General Fund	39,454.78
Post Retirement	General Fund	35.41
Escrow Account	General Fund	86.80
Total Transfers		\$47,698.80

**HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT AND CABLE**: Stephen Pholar presented the health, environment and cable report.

Stephen Pholar made a motion authorizing payment to Dave Collura Wildlife Control, in the amount of \$490.00 for services in the month of June 2018. Kenneth Robb seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Stephen Pholar announced that there are no invoices received from Gaydos Brehanna Kennels, for Animal Control Services for the month of May and June 2018.

Stephen Pholar announced that the Electronics and Household Hazardous Waste recycling Collection drop off program is scheduled for this Saturday, July 21<sup>st</sup> from 9:00 AM to 1:00 P at the Borough Building. You must register on line or by calling 1-866-815-0016. This is a pay as you go program and information is available on our website and at the Borough office.

PARKS AND RECREATION: Louis Bender presented the parks and recreation report.

Louis Bender made the following announcements:

- Community Day is Saturday, August 4<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 AM to dark ending with fireworks.
   Activities will be present throughout the day at Heritage Hill Park and Pool complex.

   Featured acts include "The G-Boyz" throughout the day, "The Dance Company" from 4:30 to 5:00, "The Stonehorse Band" from 6:30 to 9:00 PM and the oldies by "Pure Gold" from 2:00 to 3:30 PM.
- Community-Wide Yard Sale in on Saturday, August 25<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 AM till 3:00 PM. Call the Borough Building to register for the event.

Louis Bender made a motion to authorize the Engineer to develop and advertise the design specifications for the Heritage Hill Pool ADA Accessibility Project Phase I at a cost not to exceed \$5,000.00. Kenneth Robb seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Louis Bender made a motion to authorize the placement of an advertisement for Community Day in the PA Hometown Deals Flyer at a cost of not to exceed \$ 400.00. This flyer reaches over 30,000 customers within our region. Kenneth Robb seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

**PLANNING AND ZONING:** Charles Davis presented the planning and zoning report for the month of May.

Charles Davis announced that the Allegheny County Side Yard and Blighted Structure Program are currently running through the end of August. Applications are available at the borough office during normal business hours.

#### PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT: Kenneth Robb

Kenneth Robb made a motion to send our Emergency Management Coordinator, Mark Jones and his Deputy Paul Falavolito to the Inaugural Emergency Preparedness Conference presented by the Keystone Emergency Management Association (KEMA) at a cost not to exceed \$ 776.00. Charles Davis seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

**PUBLIC WORKS:** Charles Davis presented the public works report.

The monthly report for June is available for review during normal business hours.

Charles Davis made a motion to advertise for bid of the foundation and walls for the salt shed upon completion of the specifications by the Borough Engineer. George Dillinger seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

**PERSONNEL:** Dave Pasternak had no report.

**TAX COLLECTORS' REPORTS:** Dave Pasternak read the reports.

George Dillinger made a motion to accept the Tax Collectors' Reports and pay the commissions and fees due. Charles Davis seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT:** Shane Michael presented the Engineer's report.

Charles Davis made a motion to accept the Engineer's Report and pay the fees due to Senate Engineering Company for Invoices #53365, #53366, #53367, #53368 and #53369 all dated June 25, 2018, totaling \$3,330.50. Stephen Pholar seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** Krisha DiMascio presented the Solicitor's Report.

Kenneth Robb made a motion to accept the Solicitor's Report and pay the fees due to Dodaro, Matta & Cambest for Invoice #15856, dated July 16, 2018, totaling \$1,228.00. George Dillinger seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Kenneth Robb made a motion to advertise for a public hearing for the demolition of the following structures prior to the August 20<sup>th</sup> Council meeting:

- 1.) 738 O'Neil Boulevard White Oak, PA 15131 (461-J-275)
- 2.) 608 Osborne Street White Oak, PA 15131 (460-G-387)
- 3.) 606 New Jersey Street White Oak, PA 15131 (460-L-275)
- 4.) 700 New Jersey Street White Oak, PA 15131 (460-L-284)
- 5.) 2420 O'Neil Boulevard White Oak, PA 15131 (461-F-333)
- 6.) 1828 California Avenue White Oak, PA 15131 (551-B-091)

Charles Davis seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

## **RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES:** Krisha DiMascio presented the following Resolutions

Charles Davis made a motion to adopt <u>Resolution #2018-16</u> to request a Multimodal Fund grant in the amount of \$2,357,033.00 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for the Lincoln Way Streetscape Project and authorize the appropriate Borough Officials to execute the documents. George Dillinger seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Stephen Pholar made a motion to adopt <u>Resolution #2018-22</u> to make refund of certain real property taxes to certain property owners as hereinafter listed by reason of official change order, gentrification, issued by the Allegheny County Board of Assessments, appeals and review as well as abatements or overpayments. Kenneth Robb seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

**NEW BUSINESS**: David J. Pasternak announced that the McKeesport Area School District tax notices are being mailed out. The School Board raised taxes 2.11 mills for a total millage rate of 19.48 mills. That was a 13% increase. The next School Board meeting is on August 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- August 13<sup>th</sup>, 6:45 PM Council Workshop Meeting (Open to the Public)
- August 20<sup>th</sup>, 6:45 PM Council Workshop Meeting (Open to the Public)
   8:00 PM Council Meeting (Open to the Public)

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Stephen Pholar made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 PM. Kenneth Robb seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.