

**STOCKERTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL  
BUDGET MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 10, 2018**

THE BOROUGH OF STOCKERTOWN HELD A BUDGET MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2018 AT 7:30 PM AT BOROUGH HALL.

**Attendance**

- Council Members present were: Council President Amy Richard, Cindy Hower, Joe Gosnell, Rosemarie Wenzelberger and Carl Zito. Kathleen Zdonowski and Pam Davis were absent.
- Borough Secretary/Treasurer Anita Caughy was present.
- Chief John Soloe and Asst. Chief Eric Schwab were present.

**The Meeting was called to order by Council President, Amy Richard, at 7:30 PM**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Public Comment**

- Eric Wenzelberger of Center Street complained that the garbage company leaves all of the empty garbage cans in the street.

**Council Comment**

- Rosemarie Wenzelberger suggested that the police have someone present at the curve of the road by Newhart Park on Halloween for safety.
- Chief Soloe informed Council that he has ordered 400 glow lights to be handed out to the children on Halloween for additional safety.

**Secretary / Treasurer Report**

- **Motion** by Carl Zito, Seconded by Joe Gosnell to approve Council Meeting Minutes of September 24, 2018, as written. Motion carried unopposed.
- **Motion** by Joe Gosnell, Seconded by Carl Zito to approve accounts payable for the General Fund and Sewer Fund through October 10, 2018. Motion carried unopposed.

**Mayor Report**

- Mayor Paul Zaboy was unable to attend the Budget Meeting. Amy Richard apprised Council of Mayor Zaboy's suggestions to purchase a new water cooler for Borough Hall in light of COG Meetings being held in there. It also would be available if there was an emergency in the Borough. Council agreed to purchase a new water cooler.

## Police

- Assistant Chief Schwab read the Calls for Service report from September 1 to September 30, 2018. He stated that there were 2 narcotics arrests; 2 pending arrests; 1 theft; 3 hit and run reports; 2 Harassments; 29 Traffic Summonses; 21 Traffic Warnings; 7 Assist other agencies, along with miscellaneous calls for a total of 129 calls for the month of September.
- Resolution 2018-5 was presented to Council for approval. The Resolution was to allow Police to apply for the Northampton County Local Share Account Grant.
- **Motion** by Joe Gosnell, Seconded by Carl Zito to approve Resolution 2018-5 Allowing the Police Department to apply for the Northampton County Gaming Local Share Grant. Motion carried unopposed.
- Chief Soloe introduced Officer Gilbert Diaz to Council for consideration. He informed Council that Officer Diaz was also an EMT Instructor. Council questioned Officer Diaz and then welcomed him to the Stockertown Police Department.

## Zoning

- Amy Richard questioned John Soloe on the work being done at the Sunoco station on Commerce Way. Mr. Soloe informed Ms. Richard that all the necessary permits were obtained and that they were continuing with the project.

## Public Works

- Amy Richard informed Council that the Public Works Garage Bid Specs have been advertised. The Pre-Construction meeting is scheduled for October 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM and that the Bids are due in the Borough Office by 3:30 PM. They will be opened at 4:00 PM if any Council members are interested in attending.

## Agenda

- A letter received from PennDot informing of the Liquid Fuel Allocation for 2019 was distributed. The estimated amount that the Borough would receive is \$30,344.45.
- Amy Richard explained the Proposal received from Entech Engineering regarding the Interceptor Design and Construction Project for the planned connection of the Borough's sewer to the City of Easton. She stated that the Borough is able to continue working with Entech rather than putting the project out for bids since this is a specialized field. Most of the preliminary work has already been done by Entech. She asked Council for a Motion to approve Entech's Proposal at a cost of \$74,400.
- **Motion** by Carl Zito, Seconded by Cindy Hower to accept and approve the Bid Proposal from Entech Engineering for the Interceptor Design and Construction Project at a cost of \$74,400. Motion carried unopposed.
- Amy Richard stated that there have been several issues with the payroll company the Borough is currently using. She informed them that the Borough Secretary has been looking into other payroll companies. She would like to discuss this matter further when we obtain more information.

- A printout of the General and Sewer Fund Budgets vs. Actual for 2018 were distributed to each Council member for their review. Amy Richard pointed out a few areas where the general fund budget would need to be increased. Other than a few items, the general fund is staying within the budgeted amounts.
- The sewer fund is extremely over budget as it reflects expenditures of legal fees associated with the Department of Environmental Protection Agency (DEP) and the engineering fees for the upcoming connection to the Easton Sewer Authority.

### **Adjournment**

- **Motion** by Joe Gosnell, Seconded by Carl Zito to adjourn the Council Meeting at 8:38 PM. Motion carried unopposed.

The next regular meeting of Borough Council will be held on October 15, 2018  
The October 15, 2018 meeting was cancelled.

The next scheduled Budget Meeting is on October 25, 2018  
The Budget Meeting of October 25, 2018 was cancelled.

The foregoing was approved the **5th** day of **November, 2018**.

---

President of Council

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_