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The Workshop Meeting of the Borough of Butler Mayor and Council was opened by Mayor Alviene who indicated that the meeting was being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act having been duly advertised and posted in Borough Hall.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Alviene, Councilman Fox, Councilman McNear, Councilman Meier, Councilman Regis, Councilman Verdonik and Council President Vath

ALSO PRESENT: J. Lampmann, Borough Administrator; R. Oostdyk, Borough Attorney and M. O'Keefe, Borough Clerk

DISCUSSION

Downtown Business District Signage Placement – Councilman McNear presented the Mayor and Council with a list of suggestions from the Economic Development Committee (EDC) for placement of signage directing motorists to the Downtown Business Area. The following are the suggested locations Route 23 and Bartholdi Avenue (adjacent to Jiggs Music Saloon; Route 23 North at the intersection of Kiel either on the Triangle or near the Used Car Dealership; Main Street and Hamburg Turnpike in Bloomingdale (the location suggested is on a Passaic County Road) and the last location suggested was on Route 23 and the Kinnelon Road exit ramp. Councilman Regis noted that the intersection of Kiel Avenue and Route 23 Southbound would also be a good location. Councilman McNear concurred with Mayor Alviene that all Butler businesses need to be represented by the EDC. Mr. Lampmann noted that Boonton Avenue and Route 23 would be a great location. The Mayor and Council are in complete support of any additional advertising, however, funding for the signs needs to be procured, Councilman McNear will discuss funding the EDC. Mr. Lampmann will check on pricing and discussion of Borough financial support will be discussed later.

Reexamination of the Master Plan – Mayor Alviene explained that the Master Plan is required to be reviewed and updated if necessary every ten years. However, no funding was provided for in the 2014 budget. Councilman Fox noted a proposal from Burgis Associates lists the cost at \$9,500.00; however, there would be additional costs for hard copies and providing the document in an electronic format (Microsoft Word being the preferred format). Councilman McNear noted that he would like to see other areas designated as Redevelopment zones, such as Main Street in the hope that this will let the public know that Butler is open for business. Mr. Lampmann had questions regarding how to designate an area that is ripe for redevelopment without listing specific types of business and residential designations. Mr. Oostdyk explained that the designation and characteristics would be generalized in the Master Plan. Councilman McNear asked if River Place should be used as a model for designating a redevelopment area or zone. Councilman Fox explained that the circumstances behind the River Place redevelopment were unique, as the Borough owned the property. Mr. Oostdyk reiterated that the Master Plan should be viewed as encouraging redevelopment; the Mayor and Council would begin the process by referring various locations to the Planning Board as potential areas for redevelopment. Councilman Meier asked for clarification of the various zoning designations of Main Street, Mr. Lampmann explained that the entire area is zoned as a Commercial Business District. Mr. Oostdyk explained that areas currently zoned as Redevelopment areas, must remain however,

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you can amend it for example to say Redevelopment Zone 1. Currently there is no funding for this in the 2014 budget, however, monies may be available later in the year, and we will be revisit by the end of the year.

Garbage Renewal Contract – Mr. Lampmann provided the following information regarding the terms of the current contract.

- Household garbage picked up every Tuesday and Friday (2x a week)
- Recycling picked up every Thursday (alternates between paper/cardboard and comingled bottles and cans)
- Heavy trash pickup every Friday
- Metal pickup 4x a year (call in not required)
- Freon Appliances picked up last Wednesday of every month (call-in required)
- Brush/Yard Waste picked up Mondays (April 1-December 15th)
- Christmas tree pickup in January 2x
- Dumpsters provided by hauler at municipal buildings and condominium/apt complexes.

Mr. Lampmann detailed the options for the contract renewal:

1. Keep the contract as it is today
2. Go to single stream recycling pickup:
 - a. Have pickup of all recyclables EVERY week
 - b. Switch to pickup of all recyclables every OTHER week
(Possible increase of \$30,000 to \$40,000 with single stream recycling)
3. If you select single stream recycling:
 - a. Have the hauler be responsible for disposal and the hauler keeps all the monies.
 - b. Have the Borough designate a place for the single stream to be taken and Borough keeps any money made (or pays when the market goes upside down) from the sale of recyclables. *The Mayor and Council decided against this option, as there is no guarantee that this will remain profitable.*
4. Metal Pickup
 1. Eliminate it (means residents would be required to find a disposal method)
 2. Keep it as is *No change in contract*
 3. Require residents to call in and give address where the metal is located in advance of the 4x a year pickups (used to be this way in prior contract)
 4. Have Butler DPW pick up metals and scrap ourselves.
5. Brush/Yard Waste
 1. Keep it as is
 2. Reduce number of pickups (i.e. May 1 – December 15) *Discussion ensued, with the decision being that pickup begin April 15 - December 15.*
 3. Eliminate it
6. Household Garbage

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1. Keep it as is *No change in contract*
2. Reduce to once a week pickup
3. Reduce to once a week pickup September-April
7. Contract length
 - a. 3 year *In the past contracts have been bid with the option for both a three and a*
 - b. 5 year *five-year term, therefore that option will be included this year.*
 - c. Other
8. Freon Pickup
 - a. Monthly usually the last Wednesday of the month *after discussion the consensus is that the pickup should be every other month.*

Mr. Lampmann asked for suggestions as it is his feeling that the contract could increase so drastically that it could bring the Borough budget to its maximum or even over the 2% Cap. The Mayor and Council concurred that the contract be bid with options including biweekly trash pickup to control costs. Mr. Lampmann would like to find a solution for the occasions where trash/recyclables are missed for pickup; there should be some recourse for the Borough.

OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Mayor Alviene opened the meeting to the public at this time.

Seeing no one come forward to speak a motion was made to close the public portion of the meeting.

Moved: Fox
All in favor.

Second: McNear

Mr. Lampmann wanted to report on the status of Fire Department physical examinations that include respiratory testing, the cost would be approximately \$150.00 to \$170.00 per person. The initial examinations would be for the first responders who are the first in or entry team people who wear Scott Air Packs, and the drivers of the vehicles. With Council support, he will try to find the funding in the Fire Department Budget. Councilman McNear asked if this is the norm, he would support movement in that direction. Mr. Lampmann noted that these detailed examinations are becoming the norm, doing the exam may lessen the amount of claims received. Council President Vath noted that it is approximately 30 people that would require this immediately, Councilman Meier noted that the attendance percentages might be used to determine who would require these exams. Mr. Lampmann would like to include the drivers of the trucks as they are driving expensive and large tonnage vehicles.

Motion to adjourn the meeting:

Moved: Fox

Second: Regis

All in favor.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:02 p.m.

Adopted: July 15, 2014

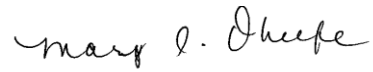
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Robert W. Alviene, Mayor

Attest:



Mary A. O'Keefe, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Dated: July 15, 2014