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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, M. O'Keefe, Borough Clerk

DISCUSSION

2017 Council Appointments

Mayor Alviene noted that there would be a change in the 2017 appointment of Municipal Public Defender, Blagoja Petreski, with Paul T. Uhlik the other interested party as his back up assuming the position. A resume request will be sent to Mr. Uhlik, as he did not provide a copy. Councilman McNear wanted to know if a change can be made to the Public Safety committee, he feels it is a very important committee and perhaps a change is in order. Additionally, there needs to be a new Chair for the Finance Committee, he has some ideas. Councilman Verdonik noted that he previously been on Finance and would feel comfortable serving as Chair. Councilman Fox had some suggestions that he has been mulling over, Finance, Ordinance and Recreation Committee – Councilman Verdonik, Chair, Councilman elect Calvi, Vice Chair and Councilman Regis as member. Public Safety Committee – Councilman Regis, Chair, Councilman McNear, Vice Chair and Councilman Fox as a member. Electric Light & Public Lighting Committee – Councilman Meier, Chair, Councilman Fox, Vice Chair, Councilman elect Calvi, as a member. Water and Wastewater Committee – Councilman McNear, Chair, Councilman Verdonik, Vice Chair, and Councilman Meier as a member. Health, Sanitation and Community Development Committee – Councilman elect Calvi, Chair and Councilman Meier, Vice Chair and Councilman McNear as a member. Roads, Building/Grounds Committee – Councilman Fox, Chair, Councilman Regis, Vice Chair and Councilman Verdonik as a member. Councilman Fox noted that the appointments would allow the Councilmembers to see what happens in these committees, this will put Councilman Verdonik back as the head of Finance. Councilman Verdonik explained that he could not be a member of the Electric Light and Public Lighting Committee as another electric provider employs him and it would be a standard of integrity issue for him to be a member of that committee. Councilman McNear feels that he would like to see a change in the Chair of the Public Safety Committee. Councilman Regis disagreed with Councilman McNear's assessment of his Chairmanship of the committee. Mayor Alviene noted that the committees are not decided on at this time the vote will occur at the Reorganization meeting. Councilman Verdonik noted that perhaps every Councilmember should come up with their suggestions for committee makeups. Councilman Meier feels there is no need for change; Councilman Fox prepared the list as he felt that maybe the time has come for some change in the committees. Councilman Verdonik noted that the committee appointments should be all about what is best for the community. Mr. Lampmann explained that committees need to be in place to keep the Borough running smoothly, budget hearings are scheduled for January and there is a timeframe that must be followed. Councilman Verdonik feels that the discussion on this can continue at the next meeting. Councilman Regis noted that perhaps everyone could bring his choices to the next Council meeting so a vote may be taken. Councilman McNear noted that Councilman Elect Calvi will be joining the Council in January and he feels that he is better suited to Chair the Finance committee as he works in the Finance industry.

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2017 Community Development Block Grant Application Possible Projects

Mr. Lampmann explained that the strongest project application would be the Hasbrouck Avenue Water main replacement from Bartholdi Avenue to Pearl Place and some work on the intersection of Pearl Place. This application is strong as it serves a large amount of people and in reviewing the application with CDBG, it has a strong likelihood of being awarded because of the eligibility of the neighborhood.

Resignation of Louis Coiro from the Library Board and Appointment of Becky Karpowich to the unexpired term ending December 31, 2020

Mayor Alviene noted that he received the resignation of Louis Coiro and Becky Karpowich had expressed interest in the Library Board so hearing no objections he appointed her to the Library Board for the unexpired term vacated by Mr. Coiro.

OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION

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

Councilman elect Alex Calvi, 5 Butler Place

Mr. Calvi feels it is good practice to constantly turn over your people as this allows every person a little bit of knowledge in all positions. It is a good idea that there is continuity in operations; he feels that there is a lot of good feeling in the community with all the projects that are being done.

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

Moved: Fox

Second: McNear

All in favor.

Closed Session – Contract Negotiations –

Motion to go into Closed Session:

Moved: Vath

Second: Regis

All in favor.

Motion to return to Open Session:

Moved: Vath

Second: Regis

All in favor.

R 2016-116 Resolution of the Borough of Butler Authorizing the Blue Collar Labor Agreement for 2017-2019

Moved: Vath

Second: Fox

Voted: Aye: Fox, McNear, Meier, Regis, Verdonik and Vath

Voted Nay: None

R 2016-117 Resolution of the Borough of Butler Authorizing the Butler Police Labor Agreement for 2017-2019

Moved: Vath

Second: Regis

Voted: Aye: Fox, McNear, Meier, Regis, Verdonik and Vath

Voted Nay: None

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R 2016-118 Resolution of the Borough of Butler Authorizing 2017 Salaries for Non-Union Employees

Moved: Vath

Second: Meier

Voted: Aye: Fox, McNear, Meier, Regis, Verdonik and Vath

Voted Nay: None

Letter notifying the Borough of Butler of the pending Retirement of Alfred Marion effective June 1, 2017

Moved: Vath

Second: Meier

Voted: Aye: Fox, McNear, Meier, Regis, Verdonik and Vath

Voted Nay: None

Motion to adjourn

Moved: Fox

Second: Vath

All in favor.

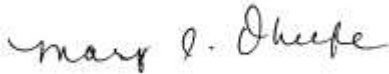
ADJOURNMENT: 7:42 p.m.

Adopted: January 17, 2017



Robert W. Alviene, Mayor

Attest:



Mary A. O'Keefe, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Dated: January 17, 2017

R 2016-115
MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Butler on the 6th day of December 2016, that:

1. Prior to conclusion of the business meeting, the Borough Council shall meet in Executive Session, from which the public shall be excluded, to discuss matters as permitted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, sub-section (s):
 - () B. (1) Confidential or excluded matters, by express provision of Federal law or State statute or rule of court.
 - () B. (2) A matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the Government of the United States.
 - () B. (3) A matter the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy.
 - (X) B. (4) A collective bargaining agreement including negotiations.
 - () B. (5) Purchase, lease or acquisition of real property, setting of banking rates or investment of public funds, where it could adversely affect the public interest if disclosed.
 - () B. (6) Tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public, if disclosure would impact such protection. Investigation of violations of the law.
 - () B. (7) Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations other than in Subsection b. (4) herein or matters falling within the attorney-client privilege.
 - () B. (8) Personnel matters.
 - () B. (9) Deliberations after a public hearing that may result in penalties.
2. The time when the matter(s) discussed pursuant to Paragraph 1 hereof can be disclosed to the public is as soon as practicable after final resolution of the aforesaid matter(s).

Moved: Vath

Second: Regis

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BOROUGH OF BUTLER
RESOLUTION R 2016-116

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BUTLER
APPROVING THE 2017 THROUGH 2019 BLUE COLLAR WORKMAN'S ASSOCIATION
CONTRACT

WHEREAS, the Butler Blue Collar Workman's Association is a recognized representative of the Blue Collar Employees, employed by the Borough of Butler; and


WHEREAS, the Butler Blue Collar Workman's Association and the Borough of Butler have come to an agreement on the terms and conditions of a three (3) year contract covering calendar years 2017, 2018 and 2019.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Butler, that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute the 2017 through 2019 Blue Collar Workman's Association Contract.

Adopted: December 6, 2016


Robert W. Alviene, Mayor

Attest:


Mary A. O'Keefe, RMC
Borough Clerk

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BOROUGH OF BUTLER
RESOLUTION R 2016-117

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BUTLER
APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE BUTLER POLICE ASSOCIATION
FOR THE YEARS 2017 THROUGH 2019

WHEREAS, the Butler Police Association is a recognized representative of the Butler Police employed by the Borough of Butler; and

WHEREAS, the Butler Police Association and Borough of Butler have come to an agreement on the terms and conditions of a three (3) year contract covering calendar years 2017 through 2019.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Butler, that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute 2017 through 2019 Butler Police Association Contract a copy of which is on file in the office of the Borough Clerk.

Adopted: December 6, 2016


Robert W. Alvione, Mayor

Attest:


Mary A. O'Keefe, RMC
Borough Clerk

Dated: December 6, 2016

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RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BUTLER
RESOLUTION R 2016-118
RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE
BOROUGH OF BUTLER AUTHORIZING NON-UNION
MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES SALARIES FOR 2017

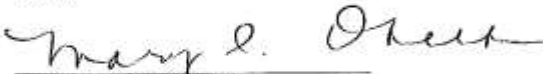
WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council has reviewed the salaries for the non-union employees for the year 2017 and have approved the salaries as listed in the attached documentation; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the salaries for non-union employees for the year 2017 are approved as attached here to.

Adopted: December 6, 2016


Robert W. Alviene, Mayor

Attest:


Mary A. O'Keefe, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Dated: December 6, 2016