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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 and Council President Verdonik

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

Motion to excuse the absence of Councilman Calvi and Councilman Regis Moved: McNear Second: Fox All in favor.

Discussion – Supporting the Request of Kinnelon to the United States Postal Service for their own Postal Zip Code

Mayor Alviene heard that the request was denied, however, the decision is currently being appealed. The consensus of the Mayor and Council is that if approval is granted an agreement should be in place to give the new zip code to Kinnelon. The Mayor and Council will hold their decision until formally approached by members of the Kinnelon governing body.

Resolution – R 2017-38 Authorizing Execution of Contract for Professional Landscaping Contract for Municipal Property with TC's Landscaping

Mr. Lampmann explained that it was difficult to work with the prior landscaper; it was a constant battle to have the basic aspects of the contract fulfilled. This agreement is for two-years, with the first year guaranteed and the second year is an option based on the Borough being satisfied with the work. Mr. Lampmann detailed what the contract entails, and that the cost is much lower than if the Borough performed these duties.

Moved: Verdonik Second: Fox

Voted Aye: Fox, McNear, Meier and Verdonik

Voted Nay: None

Absent: Calvi and Regis

OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION

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

<u>Doug Travers, 16 Western Avenue</u> had a follow-up question to a discussion that occurred after the March 21, 2017 Regular Council meeting regarding setting up a small fund for property maintenance issues that may arise within the Borough.

Councilman McNear noted that the idea that Councilman Calvi had was to help the elderly or those who can no longer maintain their property due to lack of funds buy setting up a fund to pay

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for outside agencies to perform these projects. The recipients of this funding would be determined by the Borough and would be for small minor repairs, yard maintenance, or cleanup of the property. Mr. Lampmann explained that Morris County has a program called the HOME program that has the funds available and the homeowner would go and apply to Morris County, however, the projects are usually major such as roofs, furnaces, etc. Additionally, James Nargiso, Chair of the Planning Board is one of the members of the committee that reviews the applications and makes the final determination. Mr. Lampmann also noted that there are criteria to apply but the funding is there to help with necessary repairs. Mayor Alviene and Councilman Fox questioned using taxpayer funding, and how would the determination be made as to what property should be chosen. Council President Verdonik noted that the 2017 Budget process is complete; the committee needs to be created along with the guidelines and procedures required in place prior to any funding being provided. Further discussion will be held on this matter.

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.

Motion to adjourn:

Moved: Meier Second: Fox

All in favor.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:20 p.m.

Adopted: April 18, 2017

Robert W. Alviene, Mayor

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Attest:

Mary A. O'Keefe, RMC

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Municipal Clerk

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BOROUGH OF BUTLER RESOLUTION NO. R 2017-38

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BUTLER AWARDING CONTRACT FOR MUNICIPAL LANDSCAPING SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Borough of Butler has allocated funds for municipal landscaping services; and

WHEREAS, sealed proposals were received on March 27, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the treasurer has certified that funds are available for this service; and

WHEREAS, the proposals have been reviewed by Borough Attorney Robert Oostdyk regarding qualification of bidders and conformity with specifications; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council hereby award the contract for Borough of Butler Municipal Landscaping Services to T.C.'S Lawn Service LLC for a contract price of \$15,650 per year.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to sign all necessary contracts regarding the above contract.

Adopted: April 4, 2017

Robert W. Alviene, Mayor

Mary A. O'Keefe, RMC

Dated: April 4, 2017