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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 Calvi, Councilman Fox, Councilman Meier, Councilman Regis, Councilman Travers and Council President Verdonik

ALSO PRESENT: J. Lampmann, Borough Administrator, R. Oostdyk, Borough Attorney and J. Kozimor, Chief Financial Officer

Ordinances for Adoption – Public Hearing(s)

2019-09 Bond Ordinance – Appropriating \$427,000, and Authorizing the Issuance of \$285,000 Bonds or Notes of the Borough of Butler for Various Electrical Supply and Distribution System Improvements

Introduced: April 16, 2019

Advertised: April 21, 2019

Mayor Alviene opened the meeting up for discussion on this ordinance only.

Seeing no one come forward, a motion was made to close this public portion of the meeting and move the ordinance.

Moved: Fox

Second: Regis

Voted Aye: Calvi, Fox, Meier, Regis, Travers and Verdonik

Voted Nay: None

2019-10 Bond Ordinance Appropriating \$666,200 and Authorizing the Issuance of \$627,000 Bonds or Notes for Improvement of the Water Supply and Distribution System

Introduced: April 16, 2019

Advertised: April 21, 2019

Mayor Alviene opened the meeting up for discussion on this ordinance only.

Judith Woop, 53 Myrtle Avenue asked what improvements would this bond ordinance encompass. Mr. Lampmann explained that the majority of the expenditure will be for new meters, meters have a life expectancy of approximately 15 years, and some of these meters are beyond that age. Additionally, the new meter system will provide daily readings, so that the system is automated and customers will be able to log in and check water usage, they will be able to monitor usage daily. Ms. Woop asked if there is an additional fee for this service, she has heard that there is a fee of \$1.00. Mr. Lampmann explained that here is no fee charged by the Borough, unless paying with a credit card then the processing fee is \$3.95 that is collected by the credit card processor.

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Margaret Fett, 32 Gormley Lane asked where does the replacement begin and when will this occur. Mr. Lampmann explained that a pilot program would begin in late May or early June; the entire process should take approximately 2 years. The upgrade will begin in neighborhoods where the most difficult meter readings are. The initial phase of the project will be approximately 20 homes. The balance of the funding will be for upgrades to other areas of the system.

Seeing no one else come forward, a motion was made to close this public portion of the meeting and move the ordinance.

Moved: Fox

Second: Regis

Voted Aye: Calvi, Fox, Meier, Regis, Travers and Verdonik

Voted Nay: None

Resolution No. 2019-48 Resolution Authorizing an Agreement between the State of New Jersey Commissioner of Transportation and the Borough of Butler (Electric) for the Design and Construction of Route 23, Alexander Road to Maple Lake Road in Pequannock Township, Riverdale, Kinnelon and Butler Boroughs

Motion by: Fox

Second: Calvi

Voted Aye: Calvi, Fox, Meier, Regis, Travers and Verdonik

Voted Nay: None

Resolution No. 2019-49 Resolution Authorizing an Agreement between the State of New Jersey Commissioner of Transportation and the Borough of Butler (Water) for the Design and Construction of Route 23, Alexander Road to Maple Lake Road in Pequannock Township, Riverdale, Kinnelon and Butler Boroughs

Motion by: Fox

Second: Regis

Voted Aye: Calvi, Fox, Meier, Regis, Travers and Verdonik

Voted Nay: None

Resolution No. 2019-50 Resolution Authorizing an Agreement between the State of New Jersey Commissioner of Transportation and the Borough of Butler (Sewer) for the Design and Construction of Route 23, Alexander Road to Maple Lake Road in Pequannock Township, Riverdale, Kinnelon and Butler Boroughs

Motion by: Fox

Second: Regis

Voted Aye: Calvi, Fox, Meier, Regis, Travers and Verdonik

Voted Nay: None

Discussion

Fire Arms Discharge Chief Chimento provided a memorandum regarding firearms discharge in the Borough. This would address hunting with bows and arrows as Butler has a dense population thereby creating a safety issue. The purpose of this would include all devices that could be construed as a weapon for the health and safety of the Borough residents.

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Butler Museum Membership Mr. Lampmann explained the purpose of this change is to address members who may be absent due to an illness, the Museum Committee is asking for the wording to be a simple majority of the active members on the board. As the ordinance reads up to eleven all eleven may not be present at any given meeting so a quorum would not be available to vote on any issues. The Mayor and Council concurred that this change would be advantageous to the Museum.

Amendment to Chapter 21 (Fire Department) The Butler Fire Department would like to combine all the companies, currently you apply for one company and are then brought into the department. The change would be to have the Butler Fire Department with three Chiefs and reducing the number of officers, the amount of training for the officers makes it very difficult to find qualified candidates to put a full slate of officers up, per the current ordinance. The Fire Department would like to leave the current ordinance in place and to put this in effect on January 1, 2020 as the current Chief's term is over. The current Chief will step out, to avoid any issues. He would like it to have a sunset clause that would allow the ordinance to expire at the end of the year should it not work. The Mayor and Council were receptive to this idea, as it makes it easier to have eligible candidates and seems like it is structurally sound.

Councilman Travers wanted to approach the Mayor and Council regarding the Butler High School Memorial he was contacted by Steve Mulligan and Bob Siek who were instrumental in the Butler High School Mission Honor Project. They would like to erect a second memorial with the placement on Mabey Lane at the t shaped parking island in the parking area that would be dedicated to Bob Siek with the names of those individuals who were killed in action serving our country. Councilman Travers noted that Dr. Dan Johnson from the Butler Board of Education was receptive to the idea; however, he is not sure if this were Board of Education property or Borough property, additionally, utility locations in the area would require mark outs. Mr. Lampmann explained that the Board of Education owns the area in question. Council President Verdonik asked if there was a reason for this location as it may be vandalized in that area, however, perhaps if they located the monument adjacent to the snack stand it would be less susceptible to vandalism. Mr. Lampmann inquired as to the name of the monument; Councilman Travers noted that the monument would be dedicated to Bob Siek in honor of those soldiers killed in action.

OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION

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

Judy Woop, Myrtle Avenue wanted to know if the chatter she has been reading on the internet regarding the closing of Butler High School and the principal leaving is true. Councilman Calvi as the council liaison to the Board of Education is aware of the principal leaving; however, he has not heard that Butler High School would be closing.

Chris Ziegler, 190 Boonton Avenue as a member of the Board of Education confirmed that the Principal has left however; there is no truth to the closing of Butler High School. Any questions

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regarding the Board of Education may be asked at the meetings that are usually the fourth Monday of the month. As of May 6, Butler Day is being advertised on the electronic billboard located on Route 23, Northbound.

Margaret Feet, Gormley Lane is inquiring about the status of the “Max is Back, 1425 Route 23” property. Mr. Lampmann explained that the owners are currently working with the Department of Environmental Protection to delineate the wetlands area to determine what portion of the lot is usable. He has some buyers that are interested; however, they want to know what is buildable prior to buying the property.

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

Moved: Fox
All in favor.

Second: Verdonik

Motion to adjourn

Moved: Fox
All in favor.

Second: Verdonik

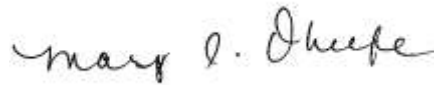
ADJOURNMENT: 7:32 p.m.

Adopted: June 18, 2019



Robert W. Alviene, Mayor

Attest:



Mary A. O'Keefe, RMC
Municipal Clerk

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BOROUGH OF BUTLER
RESOLUTION 2019-48

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey is about to undertake the design and construction of Route 23, Alexander Road to Maple Lake Road located in Pequannock, Riverdale, Kinnelon and Butler Boroughs, Morris County; and

WHEREAS, the project may require the construction of new, and/or the protection, relocation and/or adjustment of facilities of the existing Electric facilities system which is owned and operated by the Utility; and

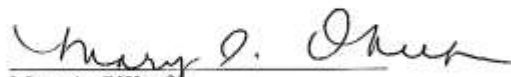
WHEREAS, the Utility's legal right to occupy the Public Right of Way, subject to the conditions imposed by the State is in no way mitigated by this Agreement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of Butler hereby authorize the Mayor and Borough Clerk to execute the contract on file in the office of the Borough Clerk.

Adopted: May 7, 2019


Robert W. Alviene, Mayor

ATTEST:


Mary A. O'Keefe
Borough Clerk

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WHEREAS, the project may require the construction of new, and/or the protection, relocation and/or adjustment of facilities of the existing Water system which is owned and operated by the Utility; and

WHEREAS, the Utility's legal right to occupy the Public Right of Way, subject to the conditions imposed by the State is in no way mitigated by this Agreement; and

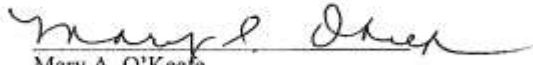
WHEREAS, the Utility is not obligated by State law or agreement to relocate its own facilities at its own expense for this type of project; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of Butler hereby authorize the Mayor and Borough Clerk to execute the contract on file in the office of the Borough Clerk.

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ATTEST:


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WHEREAS, the project may require the construction of new, and/or the protection, relocation and/or adjustment of facilities of the existing Sewer system which is owned and operated by the Utility; and

WHEREAS, the Utility's legal right to occupy the Public Right of Way, subject to the conditions imposed by the State is in no way mitigated by this Agreement; and

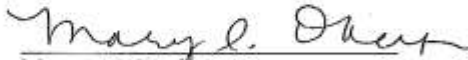
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