

**BOROUGH OF WIND GAP
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The Council meeting of the Borough of Wind Gap on Monday, October 3, 2022 was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Council Vice President Dave Manzo, at which time he reminded those present that the meeting was being recorded. In attendance were Council members David Hess, Steve Bender, and Patrick Webber. Councilman George Hinton participated via telephone. Also, in attendance were Mayor Wesley J. Smith, Borough Solicitor Ronald Karasek, Borough Engineer Brian Pysher, and Borough Manager Louise Firestone.

Absent were Councilmen Alex Cortezzo and Jeff Yob.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one appeared before Council at this time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion by Patrick Webber to approve the September 20, 2022 minutes and seconded by Steve Bender. Roll call vote taken. In favor: S. Bender, G. Hinton, D. Manzo, P. Webber. Abstained: D. Hess. Motion carried with a vote of 4-0-1.

APPROVAL OF EXPENSES

On motion by Pat Weber to approve the expenses in the amount of \$230,753.88 and seconded by Steve Bender. Motion carried unanimously.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Brian Pysher reported that he met with neighbor, Mike Goffredo regarding the Borough's desire to install lighting and pavement on the Municipal Complex property. Mr. Goffredo is willing to absolve the original easement with the exception of the driveway easement to the back which allows him to access his property. Brian will follow-up with Attorney Karasek providing a sketch of what needs to be absolved so the legal document can be completed and then executed.

Brian had discussions with representatives from UGI in order to hook up the municipal building and garage to the existing gas line that is at the intersection of East West Street and Longcore Road. Brian had proposed using the existing propane line, but unfortunately that is not acceptable to UGI. UGI has been provided a sketch plan of the west side of the building and all applications have been completed, so we are awaiting confirmation that our proposed location is acceptable in addition to a cost estimate for the project.

Brian Pysher reported that a Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for Thursday to review the CRG/ Industrial Drive project and the project at 29 Mechanic Street. He is also dealing with JERC and the ongoing issues with the emergency access drive. A Maintenance Agreement has been prepared and sent to JERC and the new owner of the property. They are in agreement with the proposed Maintenance Agreement and upon execution want to have it

recorded. Brian is still waiting to hear back from Plainfield Township on how the washout issues will be resolved. The intent is to have a meeting there on site.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution 2022-06 – Eliminate any Additional Charges on Real Estate Taxes for Property Owners Who Do Not Receive a Real Estate Tax Bill During Their First Year of Property Ownership –

On motion by Patrick Webber to discuss Resolution 2022-06 and seconded by Steve Bender. Roll call vote taken. Council agreed unanimously.

On motion by Patrick Webber to adopt Resolution 2022-06 and seconded by Steve Bender. Roll call vote taken. Council agreed unanimously.

2. Approval Teamster Local No. 773 Street Contract January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2025

On motion by Steve Bender to approve the Teamster Local No. 773 Street Contract January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2025 and seconded by George Hinton. Roll call vote taken. Council agreed unanimously.

3. 2006 GMC Truck Fuel Tank – Purchase Options

On motion by George Hinton to approve the purchase of the 2006 GMC Truck Fuel Tank and seconded by Patrick Webber.

Motion amended by George Hinton to include that the price for the fuel tank, straps and pump for the 2006 GMC truck should not exceed \$7,500.00 and seconded by Patrick Webber. Roll call vote taken. Council agreed unanimously.

4. Recognition of Borough Staff – Dave Manzo wanted to recognize all of the Borough Staff for the work that they have been doing. The Street Department did a great job sealing and painting the Tennis Court and Pickleball Courts at the park. He would like to recognize the office staff for helping with the difficult transition at the Wind Gap Municipal Authority while also performing their duties here at the Borough Office. He wants everyone to know that Wind Gap has really good staff, which includes all office and street department employees.

5. WGMA Intermunicipal Agreement –

On motion by George Hinton to authorize Attorney Karasek to prepare a WGMA Intermunicipal Agreement and seconded by Patrick Webber. Roll call vote taken. Council agreed unanimously.

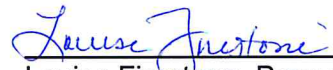
Attorney Karasek added that he provided a copy of a “Due Diligence List” for documents related to the Wind Gap Municipal Authority.

OLD BUSINESS

No Old Business was on the agenda and none was discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Steve Bender to adjourn the meeting of October 3, 2022. Council agreed unanimously. The meeting of October 3, 2022 adjourned at 7:28 p.m.



Louise Firestone, Borough Manager