

## City Council Meeting November 21, 2022

City Council met in person for regular session on Monday November 21, 2022, and streamed live over YouTube and Facebook, in Lock Haven, Pennsylvania. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Long who opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll was called and present were Council Members Douglas Byerly, Richard Conklin, Barbara Masorti, Steve Stevenson, Richard Morris, and Mayor Joel Long.

Also in attendance was City Planner and Development Coordinator Abigail Roberts, Director of Community Life Kasey Campbell, Director of Licensing and Permits Cyndi Walker, Chief of Police Kristin Smith, Assistant Chief of Police Matt Rickard, and Fire Chief Robert Neff. Also in attendance was Gerard Banfill, representing Lock Haven EMS.

### COUNCIL MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the November 14, 2022 meeting was postponed until the next regular meeting of Council on December 5, 2022.

### PUBLIC COMMENT/CORRESPONDENCE

Council was given a letter from two seniors from Central Mountain High School, regarding their intent to create a “Leave Art, Take Art” box, for Fallon Alley. This will be discussed and voted on at the December 5, 2022 meeting.

Gerard Banfill addressed Council, requesting to be added to the 2023 budget, for funding for the Lock Haven EMS. Mr. Banfill will submit a formal request to the City Manager to be considered at the December 5, 2022 meeting, when the final budget is decided.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Council considered Ordinance No. 2022-13 regarding Stormwater Management and the Stormwater Credit Policy Manual. **On a motion made by Ms. Masorti, seconded by Mr. Morris, and carried unanimously, the ordinance was adopted and police established on second reading.**

### NEW BUSINESS

Council considered approval to solicit bids for fuel purchases for 2023. **On a motion made by Mr. Stevenson, seconded by Mr. Byerly, and carried unanimously, approval was given to solicit bids.**

Council considered the closure of Leather Alley from Bellefonte Avenue to Stone Alley for the annual Citizens Hose Christmas Tree Sale. **On a motion made by Mr. Stevenson, seconded by Mr. Conklin, and carried unanimously, the closure was approved.**

The City Planner notified Council of the 2022 PILOT payment from the Clinton County Housing Authority in the amount of \$23,594.63, which is an increase of \$2,136.52 from 2021.

## 2023 BUDGET

Mayor Long stated that the purpose of the budget hearing is to afford the public an opportunity to comment and make observations on the recommended budget as reflected in Ordinances 2022-14 and 2022-15.

The Director of Licensing and Permits Cyndi Walker addressed Council regarding the Codes department budget, discussing the action items accomplished in 2022, and the goals for the Department in 2023.

Chief of Police Kristin Smith addressed Council regarding the Police and Parking budget, discussing the action items accomplished in 2022, and the goals for the Department in 2023.

Fire Chief Bob Neff addressed Council regarding the Fire Department budget, discussing action items accomplished in 2022, and the goals for the Department in 2023.

Council considered the approval to seek DCED assistance with the merger of Hand-in-Hand and Hope Hose Companies. The City Planner explained that this would be a letter of intent submitted to DCED for them to explore the possibility of the merger. **On a motion made by Mr. Byerly, seconded by Dr. Brinker, and carried unanimously, approval was given to submit a letter of intent to DCED.**

## OTHER MATTERS

Council was given updates regarding the Ohl Phase I progress and meeting notes.

## ADJOURNMENT

**Upon motion by Mr. Morris, at 7:37 p.m., the meeting was adjourned.**