Sellersville Borough Council's Public Management Committee Council Chambers 140 East Church Street Sellersville, Pa 18960

October 15, 2019 7:00 O'Clock P.M.

The October, 2019 meeting of Sellersville Borough Council's Public Management Committee was called to order by Chair Dodson at the above designated time and location.

# **ROLL CALL:**

Mayor : Thomas C. Hufnagle

Councilpersons : Lois A. Dodson, Chair

Alexander Potoczny, Vice-Chair James G. Hull, First Alternate

Kathleen Hallman Marie Howells Lynne Saylor

Absent : Donald Crouthamel

Manager/Secretary : David J. Rivet

#### VANDEMARK PROPERTY

The PMC discussed the options available to handle the ongoing issue of 216 Washington Avenue. The PMC opted to use a two-pronged approach and both create the Blighted Properties Committee and perfect the outstanding liens. Chair Dodson appointed John Larsen, Chair of the Sellersville Planning Commission as Planning Commission representative and Donald Crouthamel as council member representative in addition to herself as the Council President. Mayor Hufnagle appointed Barry Kuhn as his designee. The Bucks County Redevelopment Authority would then have to appoint its representative who would most likely be Executive Director Jeff Darwak.

Mrs. Hallman moved to request the Borough Solicitor to file the necessary paperwork to perfect the liens outstanding on 216 Washington Avenue. Motion was seconded by Ms. Saylor and passed with all in favor.

### **LETTER TO DR. MIRTAJ**

Manager Rivet shared a draft letter he prepared for editing by Chair Dodson in response to a letter written by Dr. Mirtaj regarding payment for his section of failed

sidewalk/driveway entrance at 55 N. Main Street. Chair Dodson will edit and return for final printing and mailing.

#### **2020 DRAFT BUDGET**

Manager Rivet distributed first draft budget papers to all present. No increases to trash or sewer rates are proposed in the budget. The new real estate property tax is the 3 mill fire protection tax; the general tax rate stays at 24 mills. There are new and increased fees for use of the softball fields that the Park & Recreation Committee proposed.

### **REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE**

Mr. Potoczny stated that the Revitalization Committee had some concerns with weeds that need to be trimmed by the bike trail head downtown and along the guiderail on E. Walnut Street from the Lake Lenape Park parking lot to the Perkasie border. They also requested a line item be created in the 2020 budget. Mr. Potoczny moved to create revenue and an expense account for the Revitalization Committee in the amounts of \$2,500 each with the idea that the Revitalization Committee provide the matching revenue.

# LIGHTS ON THE FIRE HOUSE MAIN STREET BRIDGE

After reviewing the available light PPL approves for street lights, it was agreed that the LED Acorn style was the closest to what we had in mind for decorative lighting.

# **OTHER**

Chair Dodson inquired as to whether putting out some kind of mailer regarding recycling was in the works. Manager stated it was on the list of things to do. Mayor Hufnagle suggested placing an advertisement in the PennyPower regarding recycling rules as well.

Chair Dodson also had been contacted by a representative of the "Coalition Against Larger Trucks" requesting a conversation. PMC agreed she could speak with them.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no additional matters to come before this meeting of Sellersville Borough Council's Public Management Committee, Chair Dodson declared this meeting duly adjourned at 9:16 P.M. The next regular monthly meeting is scheduled to be on November 19, 2019 at 7:00 P.M.

Attest:
David J. Rivet, Secretary Sellersville Borough Council