

A hearing was held prior to the Council meeting at 6 PM on map # 17-03-15-0-028 regarding a property owned at 200 Sunset Drive, Lower Burrell owned by John Murchak.

The Regular Council Meeting of the City of Lower Burrell was held on Monday, August 6, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. Roll call indicated the following present: Councilman Fabry, Councilman Hamilton, Councilman Koziarski, Treasurer Eshbaugh, Public Works Foreman Scott Johnson, Chief Tim Weitzel, Solicitor Yakopec, Mayor Callender, and City Administrator Amy Rockwell. Absent were Councilman Grillo and Controller Farina.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Treasurer's Report for June, 2018.
Earned Income Tax Report for June and July, 2018.
Collection Service Center.
Engineering Report from Senate Engineering.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Councilman Koziarski: There are two Eagle Scout projects underway at Burrell Lake Park walking trail and one will be some work-out stations at Kotecki Park. There was a report of a copperhead snake at Kotecki Park. Take caution when visiting any City park as you are in their habitat. Councilman Koziarski reminded everyone that all city parks are alcohol free. The Farmer's Market is every Saturday and acknowledged Mr. Bud Myers for the fantastic job.

Councilman Fabry: He formally welcomed Amy Rockwell. Councilman Fabry and Ms. Rockwell have met and started working on the budget for next year. The City is solvent.

Councilman Hamilton: Councilman Hamilton had the Public Works Job Completion Report for July. The revitalization project on Leechburg Road continues. He thanked Chief Weitzel and his police officers, the fire department, local reserve units and anybody else who has offered to assist in the parade for homeless veterans.

Public Works Foreman Johnson: Mr. Johnson explained the Leechburg Road project in great detail. The project has been delayed and he was able to give time lines for completion of various aspects of the project. The guide rails will be installed on Wildlife Lodge Road and the bridge project should be completed soon.

Chief Weitzel: Chief Weitzel had reports on calls for service, patrol mileage, arrests, and incidents. On July 14th, Pack 556 washed all of the City's police cars and some equipment as a community service project. Auxiliary Services have completed flagger training. He reminded everyone to be mindful of their speed limits as school would be starting on August 22nd. The new K-9 vehicle is on the road and has already been used to apprehend someone. The vehicle cost \$65,000 and was purchased with grant and donation money; no tax money was used. August 11th, there will be a VFW sponsored motorcycle ride to raise money for homeless veterans in the greater Pittsburgh area.

Treasurer Eshbaugh: Mr. Eshbaugh gave the ending balances in both the general and sewer accounts. School property tax bills have been mailed. If any resident does not get theirs or has changed their address, the post office does not forward them.

Solicitor Yakopec: No report.

City Administrator Rockwell: No report.

Mayor Callender: No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Motion by Mayor Callender, second by Councilman Hamilton to approve the Council meeting minutes from July 2, 2018. Roll call vote indicated: Mayor Callender: AYE; Councilman Hamilton: AYE; Councilman Koziarski: AYE; Councilman Fabry: AYE. 4 “AYES.” All in favor.
- 2) Motion by Councilman Fabry, second by Mayor Callender to accept the Treasurer’s Report and pay all bills. Roll call vote indicated: Councilman Fabry: AYE; Mayor Callender: AYE; Councilman Hamilton: AYE; Councilman Koziarski: AYE. 4 “AYES.” All in favor.
- 3) Motion by Councilman Hamilton, second by Councilman Koziarski to award bid to Pampena Landscaping and Construction for the Macbeth Street Stormwater project for the bid amount of \$139,950.00 pending engineer review and recommendation. Roll call vote indicated: Councilman Hamilton: AYE; Councilman Koziarski: AYE; Councilman Fabry: AYE; Mayor Callender: AYE. 4 “AYES.” All in favor.
- 4) Motion by Councilman Hamilton, second by Councilman Koziarski to approve the third and final reading of Ordinance #5-2018 - Installation of two stop signs on Harvard Street at the Applewood Drive intersection. Roll call vote indicated: Councilman Hamilton: AYE; Councilman Koziarski: AYE; Mayor Callender: AYE; Councilman Fabry: AYE. 4 “AYES.” All in favor.
- 5) Motion by Mayor Callender, second by Councilman Fabry to consider giving a 2009 Ford Explorer (former canine vehicle) to the City of New Kensington. Roll call vote indicated: Mayor Callender: AYE; Councilman Fabry: AYE; Councilman Koziarski: AYE; Councilman Hamilton: AYE. 4 “AYES.” All in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Christine Schubert, Fairway Drive. Mrs. Schubert complimented the street department who did a great job with the seal coating in the Donnell Plan. She also questioned improving the condition of Craigdell Road with cooperation from the City of New Kensington. She also complained about speeding and drivers not stopping at stop signs.

Danielle Triciante, 3084 Mintwood Drive, also commented that speeding happens all hours of the day.

Margaret Meyers, 121 Johnson Street complained about fireworks being set off in her neighborhood. Chuck Meyers also expressed concerns with fireworks. They also talked about the lack of parking for the lawn mower repair shop at the corner of their street. They suggested a no parking sign.

Amy Pahlman, 120 Johnson Street questioned firework permits and who issues them.

John Moret, owner of the Braeburn School building, had pictures of dumping near the properties he owns.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business coming before council, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

Amy S. Rockwell, City Administrator

Richard Callender, Mayor

NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at 7:00 PM