

MINUTES
UNION CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL
DECEMBER 9TH, 2014

Vision Statement: "The Union City area is a thriving rural community of families, businesses and organizations dedicated to encouraging growth while maintaining small town values."

The meeting of the Union City Borough Council was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Vice-President McCrillis. The meeting was held at the Union City Area High School Large Group Instruction Room.

Councilors present were Conklin, Hoban, McCrillis and Steadman. Councilors Brumagin and Kolaja were absent.

Officials present were Borough Manager Cheryl Capela, Mayor Bob King, Officer in Charge George Barber, Solicitor Timothy Wachter and Street Supervisor Paul Maynard.

Visitors present were Dave Wellman and Ahmed and Sharon Syed.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: It was moved by Councillor Hoban and seconded by Councillor

Steadman to adopt the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

MOTION ON MINUTES: It was moved by Councillor Hoban and seconded by Councillor

Steadman that all Councillors having read the Council Meeting held November 11th, 2014 and the Work Session held November 25th, 2014, be approved.

Motion carried.

MOTION ON SECRETARY'S REPORT: It was moved by Councillor Hoban and seconded by

Councillor Conklin that the Secretary's Report be accepted and made a part of

the minutes of this meeting. Motion carried.

MOTION ON BILLS: It was moved by Councillor Hoban and seconded by Councillor Conklin

that the unpaid bills be ordered paid and those paid be approved.
Motion carried.

RESIDENT COMPLAINS ABOUT WASTE MANAGEMENT AND

SIDEWALKS: Dave Wellman said

he lives at 85 West High Street and approximately one month ago he came to see the

Borough Manager about the garbage that was strewed all over the neighborhood. He

said this was garbage that was left behind by Waste Management. He said when the

Waste Management employee picks up the garbage can to dump into their truck, they

do not care where the garbage falls. He said if it doesn't make it into the truck, they do

not bother picking it up. He said we pay for this service and we are not getting the

service that we are paying for.

He also said according to the Waste Management Contract, garbage pickup does not

begin in the Borough until 6:00 A.M. He said many times he has been woken up by the

garbage truck being there at 5:00 A.M.

He said in the past, the Borough has sent out letters requesting that your sidewalk be

fixed. He said he was one of those individuals and he had his sidewalk fixed. He said

there is a property on his street where the concrete has been dug up and has never

been replaced.

Councillor Hoban said this was dug up by the Gas Company. He said they should be

coming back to repair the sidewalk.

MAYOR: Mayor Bob King said the Civil Service Commission has set a date to interview the

one officer and should have a list ready for Borough Council by the next Council Meeting.

MOTION TO DENY A HANDICAP SIGN BE PLACED IN FRONT OF PROPERTY KNOWN AS 14 CHERRY STREET: It was moved by Councillor Hoban and seconded by Councillor Steadman

to deny the request made by Grace Munsee to install a handicap sign in front of

property known as 14 Cherry Street. Motion carried.

COUNCIL TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION APPOINTING MONAHAN AND MONAHAN AUDITORS FOR THE YEAR 2015: The Resolution appointing Monahan and Monahan auditors for the year

2015 was read by the Borough Manager.

MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION APPOINTING MONAHAN AND MONAHAN AUDITORS FOR THE YEAR 2015: It was moved by Councillor Hoban and seconded by Councillor Steadman

to approve the Resolution appointing Monahan and Monahan auditors for the year

2015. A roll call vote was taken. All Councillors voted yea. Motion carried.

COUNCIL TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION ELIMINATING POLICE OFFICER'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE POLICE PENSION FUND FOR THE YEAR 2015: The Resolution eliminating Police Officer's

contributions to the Police Pension Fund was read by the Borough Manager.

MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION ELIMINATING POLICE OFFICER'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE POLICE PENSION FUND FOR THE YEAR 2015:

It was moved by Councillor Hoban and

seconded by Councillor Steadman to approve the Resolution eliminating Police Officer's

contributions to the Police Pension Fund for the year 2015. A roll call vote was taken.

All Councillors voted yea. Motion carried.

MOTION TO ADVERTISE THEIR INTENT TO ADOPT THE 2015 PROPOSED BUDGET: It was moved

by Councillor Hoban and seconded by Councillor Conklin to advertise their intent to adopt the 2015 proposed budget. Motion carried.

COUNCIL TO ADVERTISE THEIR INTENT TO ADOPT THE 2015 TAX

ORDINANCE: The 2015 Tax

Ordinance was read by the Borough Manager. The Borough Manager said the Tax

Ordinance includes a 1 mill tax increase. She said the average home owner would be paying an additional \$64.00 more a year.

MOTION TO ADVERTISE THEIR INTENT TO ADOPT THE 2015 TAX

ORDINANCE: It was moved

by Councillor Steadman and seconded by Councillor Conklin to advertise their intent

to adopt the 2015 Tax Ordinance. Motion carried.

COUNCIL TO APPROVE A DATE AND TIME TO HOLD A SPECIAL MEETING TO ADOPT THE 2015 BUDGET AND TAX ORDINANCE:

The Borough Manager said the Budget and the Tax Ordinance has to be adopted by the 31st of December. She said Borough Council needs to set a

date and time to adopt the Budget and Tax Ordinance.

MOTION TO APPROVE A DATE AND TIME TO HOLD SPECIAL MEETING TO ADOPT THE 2015 BUDGET AND TAX ORDINANCE:

It was moved by Councillor Hoban and seconded by

Councillor Conklin to approve holding the Special Meeting to adopt the 2015 Budget

and the Tax Ordinance on Tuesday, December 30th, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. at the City

Building. Motion carried.

COUNCIL TO APPROVE THE EMPLOYEES BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYING THE \$63.00 TRANSITIONAL REINSURANCE FEE FOR EACH OF THEIR DEPENDENT WHO IS COVERED UNDER THE BOROUGH'S HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN:

The Borough Manager said this was discussed at the Work Session. She said that Borough Council would pay for the employee but

the employee would be responsible for paying for its dependents that are covered under the health insurance plan.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE EMPLOYEES BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYING THE \$63.00 TRANSITIONAL REINSURANCE FEE FOR EACH OF THEIR DEPENDENT WHO IS COVERED UNDER THE BOROUGH'S HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN:

It was moved by Councillor Hoban and seconded by Councillor Steadman to approve the employees be responsible for paying the \$63.00

Transitional Reinsurance Fee for each of their dependent who is covered under the

Borough's Health Insurance Plan. Motion carried.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES: It was moved by Councillor Hoban and seconded by

Councillor Steadman to suspend the rules. Motion carried.

TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE: Solicitor Timothy Wachter said the Borough is once again applying

for a Tax Anticipation Note in the amount of \$50,000 at an interest rate of 3.5%.

He said the note to be paid by May 31st, 2015.

He said tonight he needs a motion from Borough Council to approve the Resolution

authorizing the Borough to obtain a Tax Anticipation Note in the amount of \$50,000.00.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH TO OBTAIN A TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE IN THE AMOUNT OF

\$50,000.00: It was moved by Councillor Hoban and

seconded by Councillor Steadman to approve the Resolution authorizing the Borough

to obtain a Tax Anticipation Note in the amount of \$50,000.00. A roll call vote was

taken. Motion carried.

COUNCIL TO GUARANTEE THE PENNVEST LOAN: Solicitor Timothy Wachter said he has an

Ordinance which requires a motion from Borough Council approving the debt

guarantee on the Pennvest Loan.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE ORDINANCE GUARANTEEING THE DEBT ON THE PENNVEST LOAN:

It was moved by Councillor Conklin and seconded by Councillor Steadman to approve

the Ordinance guaranteeing the debt on the Pennvest Loan. Motion carried.

ERIE COUNTY TAX COLLECTION: Solicitor Timothy Wachter said the contract with

Berkheimer Associates was set to expire the end of December. He said he met with

Berkheimer and has re-negotiated a new contract with Berkheimer. He said he

is pleased to inform everyone that Berkheimer has agreed to lower their rate to

1.48%. He said the contract will run until December 31st, 2019.

COUNCIL TO APPOINT OFFICIALS TO THE FOLLOWING BOARDS AND COMMISSION:

UNION CITY MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY BOARD: It was moved by Councillor Steadman and

seconded by Councillor Hoban to table the appointments to the Union City Municipal

Authority Board. Motion carried.

UNION AREA PLANNING COMMISSION: It was moved by Councillor Hoban and seconded

by Councillor Conklin to appoint Darlene Elder to the Union Area Planning Commission

to serve until December 31st, 2018. Motion carried.

ZONING HEARING BOARD: It was moved by Councillor Hoban and seconded by Councillor

Conklin to appoint Chris Ostergard to the Zoning Hearing Board to serve until
December 31st, 2017. Motion carried.

LIBRARY BOARD: It was moved by Councillor Hoban and seconded by Councillor Steadman
to appoint Wendy Mangol and Yvonne Stauffer to the Library Board to serve until
December 31st, 2017. Motion carried.

RECREATION BOARD: It was moved by Councillor Steadman and seconded by Councillor
Hoban to appoint Staci Chapman, Michael Pandolph, Natalie Moss and Ramona
Dirling to the Recreation Commission to serve until December 31st,
2019. Motion
carried.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION: It was moved by Councillor Hoban and seconded by
Councillor Conklin to appoint Bob Ferringer to the Civil Service Commission to
serve until December 31st, 2017. Motion carried.

VACANCY BOARD: It was moved by Councillor Steadman and seconded by Councillor
Conklin to appoint Mike Wienczkowski to the Vacancy Board to serve until
December 31st, 2015. Motion carried.

MOTION TO APPROVE HIRING ONE OR MORE PART-TIME POLICE OFFICERS FOR THE BOROUGH OF UNION CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT:
It was moved by Councillor Steadman
and seconded by Councillor Conklin to table hiring one or more part-time police
officers for the Borough of Union City Police Department. Motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS: Councillor Steadman said he is wondering if the Solicitor has had the

chance to see if there is an easement going through the Cherry Hill property. He

said the Borough has some drain pipes going through the property.

Solicitor Timothy Wachter said no, but he will check into it.

Street Supervisor Paul Maynard said the winter has gone great so far this year. He said

the only issue he is having is cars being parked on both sides of the streets. He said

the trouble area is north Fourth Avenue. He said he would like to see parking tickets

be given to these individuals.

INFORMATIONAL SUMMARY: There being no objection, the Informational Summary will stand

approved and be made a part of the minutes of this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: It was moved by Councillor Hoban and seconded by Councillor Conklin that

the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 7:49 P.M.

ATTEST: _____