

May 6, 2020 – special meeting

A special meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m., with the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was presided over by President Cebulskie with the following answering to roll call: Cebulskie, McMillen, August, Burkett, Popson and Scolese.

Those also in attendance were: Mayor Caltagarone.

McMillen reported that the American Hero banners are near completion, and will be hung up for the next two years between the months of May and November.

At this time the 2020 paving project was discussed and the following is a listing of the streets the Council decided to advertise for paving and/or tarring and chipping:

Paving –

GRANT STREET – between Coal Alley and Sixth Street

JACKSON STREET – between Bradford Street and Tenth Street

WORTH STREET – a point to a point

FIFTH STREET – First Avenue to a point

Tarring and Chipping –

JEWELL ALLEY – Erie Street to Ohio Street

HASSAN ALLEY

S. EIGHTH STREET – Jackson Street to Worth Street

Motion by McMillen seconded by August to approve the above listing of streets to be paved and/or tarred and chipped.

Question on motion.

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

It was agreed that Murray will be paid for 21 hours of compensatory time, and will not be paid for 89.5 hours of compensatory time, as the contract states the hours must be requested to take time off, or get paid, within 90 days of accruing the hours. It has been more than 90 days since the 89.5 hours were accrued.

At this time the operation of the Water Authority was discussed. Some of the board members felt that the Authority serves no benefit and that the Borough should abolish it; thus benefiting both the Borough and the Authority, as all employees would be working together on projects. A number of concerns were discussed that are taking place within the Authority, with both employees and the board, thus resulting in a complaint being filed with the State Ethics Commission, by a citizen of the Borough.

At this time Atty. Ryan arrived – 6:30 p.m.

Ryan stated that there is really no benefit to having an Authority within the Borough.

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It was suggested that if the Borough does take over the Authority that a committee be formed with some of their current board members, as well as some others, with an appointment being made every year.

A motion was made by Scolese and seconded by Popson to approve ^{Rescinded 5/20/2020} (Resolution 5/6/2020/1,) pertaining to the dissolution of the Water Authority with all the assets being turned over to the Borough. The motion further states that it is understood that the Borough will assume control of day to day operations, the transfers of all accounts, assets and liabilities. Any monies from the operation of the Authority will be kept in a separate account. The motion authorizes the necessary signature regarding the same.

Question on motion.

Motion carried by majority vote with McMillen and Burkett abstaining.

Regarding matters with the Authority the Council decided that it would be best if Cebulskie speaks with their solicitor, then speak to the Municipal Authority Board, and then speak with the Authority board and employees together.

With no further business, a motion was made by Scolese and seconded by Popson to adjourn. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,



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