Borough of Alburtis

Meeting Minutes March 27, 2019

The March 27, 2019 meeting of Borough Council was called to order by Council President Ron Delaco at 7:00 p.m. in the Borough Hall, 260 Franklin Street, Alburtis, PA.

Council members in attendance:

Steve Hill Sherryann Oels Stephen Kaufman Kathleen Raines Ron Delaco Hector Vazquez

Associates of Alburtis in attendance:

Dave Knerr, Solicitor Sharon Trexler, Borough Manager

Kathleen Palmer, Mayor

Visitors in attendance: Gary DeRoner

MAYOR'S REPORT – No Report

<u>MINUTES OF MARCH 13, 2019</u> – Hector Vazquez made a motion to approve the Minutes of March 13, 2019, Kathleen Raines 2nd and a unanimous vote followed.

<u>BILLS FOR PAYMENT – MARCH 27, 2019</u> – Hector Vazquez made a motion to pay the bills of March 27, 2019, Stephen Kaufman 2nd and a unanimous vote followed.

<u>FISCAL CONSULTANT'S REPORT</u> – Stephen Kaufman made a motion to accept the Fiscal Consultant's Report, Steve Hill 2nd and a unanimous vote followed.

ADMINISTRATION

Public Comments – None

<u>Gary's Trees & Shrubbery Service, Inc.</u> – A quote was received in the amount of \$847.00 to treat 63 Honey Locust trees for mimosa webworms in Maple Court and along Church Street. Hector Vazquez made a motion to have the work performed, Sherryann Oels 2nd and a unanimous vote followed.

<u>PPL Trees and Shrubbery Service, Inc.</u> – Information was received from PPL regarding a tree program that began in 2017. Ordering trees will begin on April 24th. Options to place trees could include the upper ballfield, the AACC, the playground and Hector Vazquez suggested replacing the ones that died on Main Street. Ron DeIaco asked Council to give some thought as to where trees could be planted and this will be on the next agenda.

<u>PA Dept. of Revenue – Small Games of Chance</u> – Pursuant to Act 90 of 2013, a deposit of \$490.58 was received from the PA Department of Revenue.

<u>PA Multimodal Grant</u> – Thanks to Sen. Pat Browne and Rep. Ryan Mackenzie, the Borough was awarded \$494,000 through the PA Multimodal Grant. These funds will be used to restore curb and sidewalk along a portion of Franklin Street.

<u>Fire Department</u> – Kathleen Raines informed Council that she, along with Ron DeIaco and Sherryann Oels attended the presentation of appreciation for Donald Smith, Jr. and Randy Trexler. Mayor Palmer also attended and presented both men with a Proclamation. She also read a thank you to Council from the Fire Chief. Ron DeIaco is very impressed with the dedication of the volunteers.

<u>Alburtis Area Community Center</u> – Sherryann Oels was contacted by the baseball coordinator to see if they could put stones down in the batting cage. It is a muddy mess and not useable after it rains. Sharon has spoken with Donnie Derr and the Maintenance Department will take care of this. Sherryann Oels was also asked by the Board to see if they could obtain help from the Maintenance Department to help excavate an area for a plumber to perform work on their sewer line. Borough Council has agreed that this is fine.

<u>Lehigh County Assessment</u> – Sharon was contacted by the Assessment Office. They have begun conducting inspections of property throughout Lehigh County based on differences discovered via aerial photography. Many of these changes have no building or zoning permit on record with the Assessment Office.

<u>Teeter Totter</u> – The Teeter Totter has been delivered and Maintenance will install it once the weather allows.

<u>W. Second Street</u> – Steve Hill questioned the new home being built on W. Second Street by the AACC. Permits have been obtained and it is being inspected by Barry Isett & Associates. Council would like to see sidewalks placed along W. Second to join the existing sidewalks.

<u>EXECUTIVE SESSION</u> – An Executive Session was called for litigation and potential litigation at 7:21 p.m. No action was taken and the Executive Session ended at 7:51 p.m.

A motion to adjourn at 7:21 p.m. was made by Kathleen Raines, 2nd by Hector Vazquez and a unanimous vote followed. Meeting minutes were taken and submitted by Sharon Trexler, Borough Manager.