

MINUTES
UNION CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL
MAY 13TH, 2008

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 Bowes. The meeting was held at the Union City Area High School Large Group Instruction Room.

Councillors present were Bowes, Daszynicz, Tubbs, Steadman and Junior Council Carley Gilson. Councillors Brumagin and Hoban were absent.

Officials present were Borough Manager Cheryl Capela and Solicitor Timothy Wachter.

Visitors present were Roy Hanks, George Ainsworth, Joanne Ainsworth, Alice Jane Ross, Mike Daszynicz and Code Enforcement Officer Shawn Tharp.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Steadman that the agenda stands approved as presented. Motion carried.

MOTION ON MINUTES: It was moved by Councillor Steadman and seconded by Councillor Daszynicz that all Councillors having read the minutes of the Council Meeting held April 8th, 2008, Special Meeting held April 22nd, 2008 and Work Session held April 22nd, 2008, be approved. Motion carried.

MOTION ON SECRETARY'S REPORT: It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Steadman 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 Steadman and seconded by Councillor Daszynicz that the unpaid bills be ordered paid and those paid be approved. Motion carried.

CITIZEN COMPLAINS ABOUT VEHICLES BEING PARKED IN YARDS: George Ainsworth said he would like to know if there is an Ordinance preventing vehicles from being parked on front and side yards.

The Borough Manager said that this would fall under zoning.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Code Enforcement Officer Shawn Tharp said he would like to request an Executive Session after the meeting to discuss personnel matters.

MOTION TO GRANT A WAIVER TO SHOOT OFF THE CANNON AND FIREWORKS IN THE BOROUGH OF UNION CITY DURING THE "GATHERING OF FRENCH CREEK": It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Steadman to grant a waiver to shoot off the cannon and fireworks in the Borough of Union City during the "Gathering of French Creek" July 11th through July 13th, 2008. Motion carried.

COUNCIL TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION APPOINTING CHERYL CAPELA AS THE OPEN RECORDS OFFICIAL: The Resolution appointing Cheryl Capela as the Open Records Official was read by the Borough Manager.

MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION APPOINTING CHERYL CAPELA AS THE OPEN RECORDS OFFICIAL: It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Daszynicz to approve the Resolution appointing Cheryl Capela as the Open Records Official. A roll call vote was taken. All Councillors voted yea. Motion carried.

COUNCIL TO APPROVE DATE AND TIME TO HOLD SPRING CLEAN UP: The Borough Manager said Borough Council to approve a date and time

to hold the Spring Clean Up.

MOTION TO APPROVE DATE AND TIME TO HOLD SPRING CLEAN UP: It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Daszynicz to approve Spring Clean Up for the disposal of tires, any items with freon and scrap metal for the residents of the Borough to be held on Friday, May 30th, 2008 and Saturday, May 31st, 2008. Motion carried.

OPEN RECORDS: Solicitor Timothy Wachter said the Open Records is the hot topic that will be taking affect January 1st, 2009 and our firm will be ready.

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION: Vice-President Bowes said he has a "Certificate of Recognition" to present to Carley Gilson for her time on Council as a Junior Council member.

MOTION TO ACCEPT CHARLOTTE WIENCZKOWSKI'S RESIGNATION FROM THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION: It was moved by Councillor Steadman and seconded by Councillor Tubbs to accept Charlotte Wienczkowski's resignation from the Parks and Recreation Commission. Motion carried.

MOTION TO APPROVE APPOINTING KIM DESIMONE TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION: It was moved by Councillor Daszynicz and seconded by Councillor Steadman to appoint Kim DeSimone to the Parks and Recreation Commission to serve until December 31st, 2009. Motion carried.

COUNCIL TO APPROVE REGISTRATION FEE FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION PROGRAM: Councillor Daszynicz said she needs Council to approve a registration fee for the Parks and Recreation Program. She said the fee would be \$20.00 for the first child and \$10.00 for any additional child and or children in the household.

MOTION TO APPROVE A REGISTRATION FEE FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION PROGRAM: It was moved by Councillor Daszynicz and seconded by Councillor

Tubbs to approve a registration fee for the Parks and Recreation Program of \$20.00 for the first child and \$10.00 for any additional child and or children in the household. Motion carried.

Alice Jane Ross said she hopes that families that cannot afford these fees will not be excluded from the program.

The Borough Manager said we will be offering a waiver for those families. She said the reason for the fee, is the program is getting expensive and the fees will help defray those costs.

Councillor Daszynicz said they renamed the Recreation Program to P.L.A.Y. Camp which means “Promoting Learning Activities for Youth”.

MOTION TO APPROVE PRESENTING A LETTER TO THE CHIEF OF POLICE GIVING HIM ADDITIONAL DUTIES AND DIRECTIVES: It was moved by Councillor Tubbs

and seconded by Councillor Daszynicz to approve presenting a letter to the Chief of Police giving him additional duties and directives. Motion carried.

QUESTIONS ON HOUSE BILLS 1131,1133 AND 1134: Councillor Tubbs said he would like to know what is House Bill 1131, 1133 and 1134.

Solicitor Timothy Wachter said these were bills that were put into place by the State Legislation. He said House Bill 1131 applies to Cities, House Bill 1133 to Townships and House Bill 1134 applies to Boroughs. He said these bills were put into place to legislate the requirement that emergency management services work closer with their host municipalities.

He said Act 8 is what these House Bills are under.

CAFLISCH PARK: Councillor Steadman said the street crew completed burying the wires in the park from one pavilion to the other.

TERRACE STREET: Councillor Steadman said the bank is caving in on Terrace Street. He said Paul Maynard has been talking with Bill Stinebiser about bringing all his concrete in to fill the bank.

He said he would like the Borough Engineer to take a look at the bank on Terrace Street.

COUNCIL TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN A TAX LIEN SALE AND HEREBY AGREES AND APPROVES AGRESTI, MORTON AND MOORE BE ENTITLED TO THE CONTINGENT FEE AS PREVIOUSLY AGREED TO BY THE COUNTY OF ERIE AND THE ERIE COUNTY TAX CLAIM BUREAU: The

Resolution authorizing participation in a tax lien sale and hereby agrees and approves Agresti, Morton and Moore be entitled to the contingent fee as previously agreed to by the County of Erie and the Erie County Tax Claim Bureau was read by the Borough Manager.

MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN A TAX LIEN SALE AND HEREBY AGREES AND APPROVES AGRESTI, MORTON AND MOORE BE ENTITLED TO THE CONTINGENT FEE AS PREVIOUSLY AGREED TO BY THE COUNTY OF ERIE AND THE ERIE COUNTY TAX CLAIM BUREAU: It was moved

by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Steadman to approve a Resolution authorizing participation in a tax lien sale and hereby agrees and approves Agresti, Morton and Moore be entitled to the contingent fee as previously agreed to by the County of Erie and the Erie County Tax Claim Bureau. A roll call vote was taken. All Councillors voted yea. Motion carried.

COUNCIL TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION EXONERATING THE ERIE COUNTY TAX CLAIM BUREAU FROM COLLECTING DELINQUENT TAXES ON ABANDONED OR DESTROYED MOBILE HOMES IN THE BOROUGH OF UNION CITY: The Resolution

exonerating the Erie County Tax Claim Bureau from collecting delinquent taxes on abandoned or destroyed mobile homes in the Borough of Union City was read by the Borough Manager.

MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION EXONERATING THE ERIE COUNTY TAX CLAIM BUREAU FROM COLLECTING DELINQUENT TAXES ON ABANDONED OR DESTROYED MOBILE HOMES IN THE BOROUGH OF UNION CITY:

It was moved by Councillor Steadman and seconded by Councillor Tubbs to approve a Resolution exonerating the Erie County Tax Claim Bureau from collecting delinquent taxes on abandoned or destroyed mobile homes in the Borough of Union City. A roll call vote was taken. All Councillors voted yea. Motion carried.

MOTION TO ADVERTISE THEIR INTENT TO ADOPT THE PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

CODE: It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Steadman to advertise their intent to adopt the Property Maintenance Code. Motion carried.

MOTION TO APPROVE APPOINTING GREG BOWES, LAURA DASZYNICZ AND CHARLES STEADMAN TO THE PROPERTY MAINTENANCE BOARD OF APPEALS

WITH MARVIN TUBBS AS AN ALTERNATE: It was moved by Councillor Daszynicz and seconded by Councillor Steadman to approve appointing Greg Bowes, Laura Daszynicz and Charles Steadman to the Property Maintenance Board of Appeals with Marvin Tubbs as an alternate. Motion carried.

COUNTIL TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A FEE REQUIREMENT FOR THE LICENSING OF CONTRACTORS WHO ENGAGE IN CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES AND IN CONSTRUCTION AND BUILDING TRADES WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF

UNION CITY: The Resolution establishing a fee requirement for the licensing of contractors who engage in construction activities and in construction and building trades within the Borough of Union City was read by the Borough Manager.

MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A FEE REQUIREMENT FOR THE LICENSING OF CONTRACTORS WHO ENGAGE IN CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES AND IN CONSTRUCTION AND BUILDING TRADES WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF

UNION CITY: It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Daszyncz to approve a Resolution establishing a fee requirement for the licensing of contractors who engage in construction activities and in construction and building trades within the Borough of Union City. A roll call vote was taken. All Councillors voted yea. Motion carried.

JUNIOR COUNCIL: Junior Council Carley Gilson said she would like to say thank you for allowing her to serve and it has been a pleasure in getting to know everyone.

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 Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Daszyncz that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

ATTEST: _____
Borough Manager