

## **Canonsburg Borough Council Voting Meeting**

March 13, 2023

6:30 PM

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Chandler at 6:30 pm.

**Moment of Silence** called by Mr. Chandler.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

### **Roll Call:**

Mr. Eric Chandler, President – Present

Mr. Richard Bell, Vice President - Present

Mr. Edward P. Yorke - Present

Mrs. Tina Bails - Present

Mr. Carl Lawrence - Present

Mr. Richard Russo - Present

Mr. John Severine - Present

**Others Present:** Borough Manager Denise Lesnock, Mayor David Rhome, Solicitor Joseph Dalfonso, Public Works Director Brian Moody, Police Chief Alex Coghill, Code and Zoning Enforcement Officer Melissa Graff

**Absent:** Engineer, Jeff Marcink.

### **GUESTS:**

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

### **JUNIOR COUNCIL:**

Lisa, we took a picture for you at the beginning of this meeting and we will have a little excerpt for you by the end of this meeting

### **PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:**

Introduced the junior council members to all of council, the economic development

director, the borough manager, the solicitor, and code enforcement officer. My comments, really it's more of a question to council. What is the best way to communicate with you guys? Does email still work? Is it phone calls? What is the best way to communicate with you?

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS:**

Mayor Rhome reported on the following:

Over the weekend, there was a St. Patty's Day event. The part that I am concerned with, and we had many comments on the security side. On the security side of things, we are very happy with the way everything went down.

**VOTING ITEMS:**

**1. Motion to approve February 13, 2023, meeting minutes of Canonsburg Borough Council.**

Mr. Yorke made a motion to approve the February 13, 2023, meeting minutes of Canonsburg Borough Council. Seconded by Mr. Bell.

No questions on the motion.

**Roll Call:**

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Severine - Yes

Mrs. Bails - Yes

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mr. Yorke – Yes

Mr. Lawrence - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

**2. Motion to approve all bills presented on the current warrant lists.**

Mrs. Bails made a motion to approve all bills presented on the current warrant lists. Seconded by Mr. Russo.

Mr. Yorke – I have a question. Did you check everything out Rich?

Mr. Russo – I sure did

Mr. Yorke – What did you find out?

Mr. Russo – I found out that everything is in order and the motion was made by Tina, I seconded it. All the bills I looked at are deserving of getting paid

Mr. Yorke – Ok. As per submitted?

Mr. Russo – As per submitted

**Roll Call:**

Mr. Severine - Yes

Mrs. Bails - Yes

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Lawrence – Yes

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

**3. Motion to approve Ordinance #1372 (an ordinance to approve, adopt, and enact an ordinance codification for the Borough of Canonsburg).**

Mr. Severine made a motion to approve Ordinance #1372 (an ordinance to approve, adopt, and enact an ordinance codification for the Borough of Canonsburg). Seconded by Mr. Bell.

No questions on the motion.

**Roll Call:**

Mrs. Bails - Yes

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Lawrence - Yes

Mr. Bell – Yes

Mr. Severine - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

**4. Motion to approve Resolution #04-2023 (authorizing the Borough Manager the authority to access district accounts associated with Computershare Investor Services).**

Mr. Yorke made a motion to approve Resolution #04-2023 (authorizing the Borough Manager the authority to access district accounts associated with Computershare Investor Services).

Seconded by Mrs. Bails.

No questions on the motion.

**Roll Call:**

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Lawrence - Yes

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Severine – Yes

Mrs. Bails - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries

**5. Motion to approve advertising Ordinance #1373 (repealing and replacing Chapter 90 of Canonsburg Code of Ordinances and any ordinances inconsistent therewith, providing for the regulation of outdoor burning).**

Mr. Severine made a motion to approve advertising Ordinance #1373 (repealing and replacing Chapter 90 of Canonsburg Code of Ordinances and any ordinances inconsistent therewith, providing for the regulation of outdoor burning). Seconded by Mrs. Bails.

Mr. Yorke – Yeah, question. Melissa, what is it on leaves

Mr. Chandler – Wait. Is your question on this motion right here?

Mr. Yorke – What is this about? Burning?

Mr. Russo – Yes

Mr. Yorke – That’s what I am talking about. Burning leaves and things...Uh nuisance fires or whatever. There’s different names for fires around here

Melissa Graff, Code and Zoning Enforcement Officer – Well the burning ordinance really doesn’t indicate anything I don’t think with regard to nuisance fires. The burning ordinance is just letting residents know when they can burn, what times they can burn and what they can burn

Mr. Yorke – And what. Ok that’s what I wanted to know because what is a big deal

Melissa Graff, Code and Zoning Enforcement Officer – It is just going to explain a little more as to what can actually be burned and what can’t

Mr. Yorke – Alright thank you

Melissa Graff, Code and Zoning Enforcement Officer – You’re welcome

**Roll Call:**

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Lawrence - Yes

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Severine - Yes

Mrs. Bails – Yes

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

**6. Motion to approve a handicapped space for 221 Hutchinson Ave.**

Mr. Yorke made a motion to approve a handicapped space for 221 Hutchinson Ave. Seconded by Mr. Bell.

No questions on the motion.

**Roll Call:**

Mr. Lawrence - Yes

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Severine - Yes

Mr. Bails - Yes

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

**7. Motion to approve Spartan Construction Services Pay Application No. 7 in the amount of \$35,257.50 for work completed to date on Contract 2021-08.**

Mr. Yorke made a motion to approve Spartan Construction Services Pay Application No. 6 in the total amount of \$128,589.30 for work completed to date on Contract 2021-08. Seconded by Mr. Bell.

No questions on the motion.

**Roll Call:**

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mr. Severine - Yes

Mr. Yorke – Yes

Mr. Lawrence - Yes

Mrs. Bails - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

**8. Motion to approve SE Schultz Electric Pay Application No. 7 in the amount of \$18,240.30 for work completed to date on Contract 2021-09.**

Mr. Yorke made a motion to approve SE Schultz Electric Pay Application No. 7 in the amount of \$18,240.30 for work completed to date on Contract 2021-09. Seconded by Mr. Severine.

No questions on the motion.

**Roll Call:**

Mrs. Bails - Yes

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Lawrence - Yes

Mr. Russo – Yes

Mr. Severine - Yes

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

**9. Motion to approve Johnson Controls quote on project 4010FACP upgrade CPQ-85082 (fire panel replacement for Borough Building) in the amount of \$14,285.00.**

Mrs. Bails made a motion to approve Johnson Controls quote on project 4010FACP upgrade CPQ-85082 (fire panel replacement for Borough Building) in the amount of \$14,285.00.

Seconded by Mr. Severine.

Mr. Russo – Question. So, we had not budgeted for that?

Denise Lesnock, Borough Manager – No we had not

Mr. Russo – What account are we taking that out of?

Denise Lesnock, Borough Manager – Capital Projects

Mr. Russo – This is just a question. Would the equitable share Alex be available for this?

Chief Coghill – No. If it was under the police department you could pro-rate it, but no it can't be for any other department

Mr. Russo – Gotcha. Thank you

Mr. Chandler – Any other questions?

**Roll Call:**

Mr. Lawrence - Yes

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mr. Severine - Yes

Mr. Yorke – Yes

Mrs. Bails – Yes

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

**10. Motion to approve advertising 2023 Road Paving Project (Moore Ave from 2<sup>nd</sup> St. to 4<sup>th</sup> St. and Thornwood Circle, with optional paving of VFW Pavilion Parking Lot, Public Works Parking Lot, and a portion of Elm St).**

Mr. Russo made a motion to approve advertising 2023 Road Paving Project (Moore Ave from 2<sup>nd</sup> St. to 4<sup>th</sup> St. and Thornwood Circle, with optional paving of VFW Pavilion Parking Lot, Public Works Parking Lot, and a portion of Elm St). Seconded by Mr. Bell.

No questions on the motion.

**Roll Call:**

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mrs. Bails - Yes

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Severine – Yes

Mr. Lawrence - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Falconi Field Lease (had meeting with baseball association)
2. Chartiers Flood Control Project (KLH will work with Goatscape)
3. Giffin Ave I&I Project (2023)
4. Peach and Ash Alley projects (2023)
5. Sale of property at 1<sup>st</sup> Street/980 (getting assessed)
6. Fire Department roof (KLH will provide info on converting pitched roof)



7. Ballfield Improvements
8. East End and Yoney Playground Improvements
9. Public Works fence and gate

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Borough Building Landscaping
2. Elm Street (Richland to Townview) cost estimate
3. Taylor Dr. (W. College to Hawthorne) cost estimate

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by Mr. Russo to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM. Seconded by Mrs. Bails.

All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Submitted by:

Melissa Graff