

## **Canonsburg Borough Council Voting Meeting**

November 14, 2022

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. John Severine - Present

Mr. Richard Russo – Present

Mr. Richard Bell, Vice President - Present

Mr. Edward P. Yorke - Present

Mr. Harold Bowman - Absent

Mrs. Tina Bails - Present

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

**Absent:** Engineer, Jeff Marcink.

### **GUESTS:**

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

### **JUNIOR COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Just an update on the “Dress for Success” clothing drive. We did kick that off at the school today. It’s going to be mostly items from the community, but we will be asking for more clothing items like scrubs and things like that. We just got it finalized with the school and we are working on a pickup and drop off date and Ms. Rubicon will be in touch within the next week or so.

**PRESIDENT’S COMMENTS:**

The town looks great. The Christmas committee and the volunteers have been putting in a lot of work to make it lit up. It’s beautiful, it looks great. They have put hours and hours in, so kudos to them. If you are a part of that great job, and if you know someone that is part of that tell them great job.

**VOTING ITEMS:**

**1. Motion to approve October 10, 2022, meeting minutes of Canonsburg Borough Council.**

Mr. Yorke made a motion to approve the October 10, 2022, Meeting Minutes of Canonsburg Borough Council. Seconded by Mrs. Bails.

No questions on the motion.

**Roll Call:**

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mr. Severine - Yes

Mr. Bowman - Absent

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mrs. Bails – Yes

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

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

Mr. Yorke made a motion to approve all bills presented on the current warrant lists. Seconded by Mr. Severine.

No questions on the motion.

**Roll Call:**

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mrs. Bails - Yes

Mr. Severine - Yes

Mr. Bowman - Absent

Mr. Russo – Yes

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

**3. Motion to authorize the Chief of Police to sign the Municipal Police Intra State Mutual Aid Compact Agreement as it pertains to the county wide DUI Task Force.**

Mrs. Bails made a motion to authorize the Chief of Police to sign the Municipal Police Intra State Mutual Aid Compact Agreement as it pertains to the county wide DUI Task Force.

Seconded by Mr. Bell.

No questions on the motion.

**Roll Call:**

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mrs. Bails - Yes

Mr. Severine - Yes

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Bowman – Absent

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

**4. Motion to approve the Chief of Police’s recommendation that Probationary Police Officer Lyndsay Dupain be accepted as a regular full-time police officer effective immediately.**

Mrs. Bails made a motion to approve the Chief of Police’s recommendation that Probationary Police Officer Lyndsay Dupain be accepted as a regular full-time police officer effective immediately. Seconded by Mr. Yorke.

No questions on the motion.

**Roll Call:**

Mr. Bowman - Absent

Mr. Severine - Yes

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Bell – Yes

Mrs. Bails - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

**5. Motion to approve Quigley Development, Inc Change Order No. 2 in the increase amount of \$31,574.50 for electrical revisions and additions.**

Mr. Yorke made a motion to approve Quigley Development, Inc Change Order No. 2 in the increase amount of \$31,574.50 for electrical revisions and additions. Seconded by Mr. Bell.

No questions on the motion.

**Roll Call:**

Mr. Severine – Yes

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mrs. Bails – Yes

Mr. Bowman - Absent

Mr. Chandler - Yes

6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

**6. Motion to approve Quigley Development, Inc Pay application No. 2 and No. 3 in the total amount of \$325,002.10 for work completed to date on Contract 2021-07.**

Mr. Yorke made a motion to approve Quigley Development, Inc Pay application No. 2 and No. 3 in the total amount of \$325,002.10 for work completed to date on Contract 2021-07.

Seconded by Mrs. Bails.

No questions on the motion.

**Roll Call:**

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mrs. Bails - Yes

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mr. Bowman - Absent

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Severine - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

**7. Motion to approve SE Schultz Electric Pay Request No. 5 in the amount of \$5,067.00 for work completed to date on Contract 2021-09.**

Mrs. Bails made a motion to approve SE Schultz Electric Pay Request No. 5 in the amount of \$5,067.00 for work completed to date on Contract 2021-09. Seconded by Mr. Yorke.

No questions on the motion.

**Roll Call:**

Mr. Bowman - Absent

Mrs. Bails- Yes

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Severine – Yes

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

**8. Motion to approve Spartan Construction Services Pay Request No. 3 in the amount of \$174,433.50 for work completed to date on Contract 2021-08.**

Mrs. Bails made a motion to approve Spartan Construction Services Pay Request No. 3 in the amount of \$174,433.50 for work completed to date on Contract 2021-08. Seconded by Mr. Yorke.

No questions on the motion.

**Roll Call:**

Mrs. Bails - Yes

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Bowman - Absent

Mr. Severine – Yes

Mr. Russo – Yes

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

**9. Motion to award grass cutting bid to Bob's Landscaping in the amount of \$134,312.00 for the combined years of 2023, 2024, and 2025.**

Mr. Bell made a motion to award grass cutting bid to Bob's Landscaping in the amount of \$134,312.00 for the combined years of 2023, 2024, and 2025. Seconded by Mr. Russo.

Mr. Russo – Question. So, what was that a hundred and

Denise Lesnock, Borough Manager - \$34,000

Mr. Russo – and that's divided by 3?

Denise Lesnock, Borough Manager – I can give you, show you the exact amount

Mr. Russo – No, that's alright I was just confirming

Mr. Yorke – 43, 44, 46

Mr. Russo – And that was compared to what were we at?

Denise Lesnock, Borough Manager – We were at \$137,500, I believe

Mr. Russo – Ok, so it didn't go up too much

Denise Lesnock, Borough Manager – Not at all

Mr. Russo – Alright, thank you

**Roll Call:**

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Severine - Yes

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mr. Bowman - Absent

Mr. Bell – Yes

Mrs. Bails - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

**10. Motion to provide free 15-minute parking spaces for a 90-day trial period near Chicco Baccello and also N. Central Ave (near the Colaizzo Bldg) for Uber Eats and Door Dash.**

Mr. Yorke made a motion to provide free 15-minute parking spaces for a 90-day trial period near Chicco Baccello and also N. Central Ave (near the Colaizzo Bldg) for Uber Eats and Door Dash. Seconded by Mr. Bell.

No questions on the motion.

**Roll Call:**

Mr. Bowman - Absent

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Severine - Absent

Mrs. Bails – Yes

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

**11. Motion to advertise 2023 Tentative Budget.**

Denise Lesnock, Borough Manager – I need to make a comment, but do I read the motion first, or make the comment first?

Joe Dalfonso, Solicitor – Either or

Denise Lesnock, Borough Manager – Today we received our certified assessed values, and low and behold somebody from the county made a mistake in the reports they sent us last week, and we had to lower our real estate. So, if you look at the last page of our tentative budget, it should be balanced at zero and now we are approximately \$45,000

Mr. Yorke – In the red, in deficit

Denise Lesnock, Borough Manager – In deficit, yes

Mr. Chandler – If I remember from last week, do recall how much we had to lower?

Denise Lesnock, Borough Manager – We borrowed \$40,000 from the Capital Projects because that's all we thought we needed at the time, so this is in addition to that, another \$45,000

Mr. Yorke – So it's a total of \$85,000?

Denise Lesnock, Borough Manager – Correct

John Severine – So, you will have to raise the Fire Tax

Denise Lesnock, Borough Manager – That has nothing to do with this budget

Mr. Russo – Um, so we can pass tentatively unbalanced, balance it, we can vote to take an additional

Denise Lesnock, Borough Manager – This is just

Joe Dalfonso, Solicitor – This, you have to advertise your budget for public inspection for ten (10) days. This is what that motion is gonna do. Whenever you get your finalized tentative budget, that's what's going to be advertised, so what you have right now may not be what's advertised

Mr. Russo – Ok

Joe Dalfonso, Solicitor – You need the authority because you only have one meeting left in the year



Mr. Russo – Ok, I'll make a motion that we advertise

Denise Lesnock, Borough Manager – I did not read it yet, did I?

Joe Dalfonso, Solicitor – You did

Mr. Yorke – I do not remember her reading it

Melissa Graff, Code/Zoning Enforcement Officer – She did not

Mr. Chandler – She did not. For the record, go ahead you can read it

Denise Lesnock, Borough Manager – Motion to advertise 2023 Tentative Budget

Mr. Russo made a motion to advertise 2023 Tentative Budget. Seconded by Mrs. Bails.

Mr. Yorke – I got a question. So, it just looks like we are going to take our capital, we just take another \$45,000 out of that. What do we have in there?

Denise Lesnock, Borough Manager – That's up to you guys

Mr. Yorke – I know

Denise Lesnock, Borough Manager – We have enough to cover it this year

Mr. Yorke – Ok, alright that's all I need to know. Stop there

Mr. Chandler – Any other questions or comments?

**Roll Call:**

Mrs. Bails – Yes

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Severine - Yes

Mr. Bowman - Absent

Mr. Russo – Yes

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

**12. Motion to advertise 2023 Tax Ordinance.**

Mrs. Bails made a motion to advertise 2023 Tax Ordinance. Seconded by Mr. Bell.

No questions on the motion.

**Roll Call:**

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mrs. Bails - Yes

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Severine – Yes

Mr. Bell – Yes

Mr. Bowman - Absent

Mr. Chandler - Yes

6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

**13. Motion to advertise 2023 Salary Ordinance.**

Mr. Bell made a motion to advertise 2023 Salary Ordinance. Seconded by Mr. Yorke.

No questions on the motion.

**Roll Call:**

Mr. Bowman - Absent

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mrs. Bails – Yes

Mr. Severine – Yes

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Falconi Field Lease
2. Bid specs for the Chartiers Flood Control Project (KLH waiting for Goatscape survey)

3. Goats for the vegetation on Chartiers Creek Banks (they will survey and give estimate at the end of November)
4. Community wide clean-up (Ward #2 was winner – Block Party will be held in 2023)
5. Giffin Ave I&I Project (will go out to bid early 2023)
6. Pool pass pricing for 2023

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Appointment to Zoning Hearing Board (replacement for Mr. Pihakis and Alternate)
2. Blessing Boxes – Canonsburg/Houston Food Pantry

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by Mrs. Bails to adjourn the meeting at 7:08 PM. Seconded by Mr. Severine.

All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:08 PM.

Submitted by:

Melissa Graff