Minutes of the Work Session Of the Borough of Chester Heights 222 Llewellyn Road Chester Heights, PA 19017

October 28, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT Drew Baum, President

Steve Cocozza, Vice President Jordan Goldberg, Pro Tem Stacey Smith, Mayor Philip Block, Ph.D. Susan Clarke

Ginamarie M. Ellis

OFFICALS PRESENT Gerald C. Montella, Esq., Solicitor

Matthew Houtmann, P.E.

CALL TO ORDER President Baum called the public meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

and led those in attendance in the reciting of the Pledge of

Allegiance.

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u> No comment.

2020 PROPOSED

BUDGET

Vice President Cocozza presented council with the 2020 Budget Calendar and Four 2020 Proposed Budgets.

2020 Budget Calendar:

First Action: Prepare Budget for 2020

Second Action: October 28, 2019, WS Meeting, Proposed Budget

Presentation.

Third Action: November 4, 2019, RC Meeting, Adoption of

Proposed Budget.

<u>Fourth Action:</u> November 4, 2019, RC Meeting, Advertise

proposed budget notice, stating where the public can examine for 10 calendar days. If estimated budget receipts are less than \$50,000 then simply post copy of the budget in secretary's office,

newspaper advertisement not required.

Fifth Action: November 4, 2019, RC Meeting, Advertise proposed

tax ordinance if rates are to increase.

Sixth Action: December 4, 2019, RC Meeting, Revision and

completion of budget.

Seventh Action: December 4, 2019, RC Meeting, Adopt budget and tax ordinance resolution/ordinance (can be done at same

meeting), no later than December 31, 2019.

2020 CHESTER HEIGHTS BOROUGH PROPOSED GENERAL

FUND BUDGET:

Revenue \$ 953,656.62

Expenditures \$ 799,475.52

2020 CHESTER HEIGHTS BOROUGH PROPOSED FIRE PROTECTION BUDGET:

Revenue \$89,788.83

Expenditures \$ 84,000.00

2020 CHESTER HEIGHTS BOROUGH PROPOSED LIQUID FUELS BUDGET:

Revenue \$ 111,728.15

Expenditures \$ 95,000.00

2020 CHESTER HEIGHTS BOROUGH PROPOSED OPEN SPACE AQUISTION BUDGET:

Revenue \$ 310,600.00

Expenditures \$ 310,000.00

BOROUGH PROPERTY/ PARKS/OPEN SPACE Councilwoman (Clarke) Presents Title 8 Chapter 14 of Borough's Codes for concern over Scott's Lawn Care. Solicitor Montella adds there is a threshold for services of \$11,100, which we did not exceed, suggests that lawn care has multiple jobs, grass cutting, screening/fertilization/aeration/mulch, storm drain cleaning and possible services that will be needed for special projects. Councilwoman (Clarke) and Solicitor Montella agree that once threshold is passed (\$11,100) that three telephonic bids can lower cost.

2020 MEETING DATES

Council was presented with a list of dates for the 2020 Meeting Date's for review.

OLD BUSNIESS

President Baum, Councilman (Block) Announces Fire Departments Finance Meeting on October 29, 2019.

Also, Sam Iannucci President of the Fire Company, announces Air Packs Grant was awarded to Fire Department for \$108,000.

No Report

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NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC COMMENT Larry Ward 64 Bishops Dr

The Fire Company had applied for a FEMA SAFER Grant that would go towards recruitment & retention of members, but we were not successful in obtaining the grant. We will apply again for it again next year.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion (Ellis/Goldberg) council unanimously voted to

adjourn the meeting at 7:29 pm.

Land Development Dates - S. B. Conrad/31 Smithbridge - Submitted Plans 12/18/18,

Reviewed Planning Commission 10/25/10 Extension – January

14, 2020

Respectfully Submitted,

Darlene Kurten Recording Secretary