

**Forty Fort Borough  
Council Meeting  
December 7, 2020**

**Call to order**

Gavel strike of President of Council Jeffrey McLaughlin called tonight's meeting to order.

**Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

Reverend Lukish led the invocation along with Mayor Andy Tuzinski leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call**

President Jeffrey McLaughlin ordered a roll call. Members in attendance were President Jeffrey McLaughlin, Vice President Thomas Murray, Phil Mertz, Frank Mazza, Borough Mayor Andy Tuzinski and Borough Secretary Michele Pascarella. David Sieminski, Cara Devine, Borough Manager Bonnie Arnone, Attorney William Finnegan and DPW Supervisor Rick Kamus were on Zoom. Kristy Dadurka was absent. There was 1 visitor in attendance.

AN EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS HELD IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE NOVEMBER 16, 2020 COUNCIL WORK SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL ISSUES,

**Public Comments**

No comments

**Consent Agenda**

Matters listed with the consent agenda have been referred to members of the Borough Council for reading and study, are routine and will be enacted by one motion of Council. If separate discussion is desired, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda by Council action. The resolutions listed below are submitted by Borough Council for the review and will be adopted by one motion. These items have been presented to the council at the prior month's work session for review. Motion to approve and/or accept the following consent agenda items

- 10/19/2020 Council work session minutes
- 11/2/2020 Council meeting minutes
- October 2020 Code Office Report
- October 2020 Kingston Fire Chief Report
- October 2020 FF Fire Chief Report

- October 2020 Forty Fort Police Chief Report
- October 2020 Treasure's Report
- October 2020 Manager's Time Sheets
- October 2020 Tax Collector Report
- 9/15/2020 WWSA meeting minutes
- Stormwater Management December newsletter

Motion was made by Frank Mazza and seconded by Thomas Murray. All were in favor, motion passed.

### **Council Action Items**

A motion was made by Thomas Murray to adopt the 2021 Operating Budget and seconded by Frank Mazza. All were in favor. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Phil Mertz on Ordinance 8 of 2020- Police Pension Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Thomas Murray. All were in favor. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Thomas Murray to accept Resolution 16 of 2020-Tax & Sewer Resolution for 2021. The motion was seconded by Phil Mertz. All were in favor. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Thomas Murray to accept Resolution 17 of 2020-LSA Grant resolution for DPW Dump Truck. The motion was seconded by Dave Sieminski. All were in favor. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Frank Mazza to accept Resolution 18 of 2020-LSA Grant resolution for Police Grant. The motion was seconded by Phil Mertz. All were in favor. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Frank Mazza to accept Resolution 19 of 2020-LSA Grant resolution for COG Grant. The motion was seconded by Thomas Murray. All were in favor. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Frank Mazza to advertise Parking Ordinance prohibiting trucks, buses, and certain other vehicles in certain locations. Commercial vehicles over 17,001 pounds which must have a CDL and medical card. The motion was seconded by Phil Mertz. All were in favor. Motion passed.

### **New Business**

2012 DPW Truck Fire-Insurance Adjuster called DPW Supervisor Rick Kamus last week and the vehicle will most likely be totaled as there is \$36,000.00 in damage.

Luzerne Bank Park Restoration Project-Luzerne Bank sent a timeline of what plans they have.

Mayor Andy Tuzinski thanked everyone for a great year.

**Old Business**

No Old Business

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm for and Executive Session to discuss personnel issues.

The next meeting will be a work session on Monday December 21, 2020 at 7:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Pascarella  
Borough Secretary