

**Forty Fort Borough
Council Meeting
January 6, 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 Council President Jeffrey McLaughlin 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, Kristy Dadurka, Frank Mazza, David Sieminski and Cara Devine. Borough Mayor Andy Tuzinski, Chief of Police Daniel Hunsinger, Borough Manager Bonnie Arnone, Borough Secretary Michele Pascarella, DPW Supervisor Rick Kamus, Attorney Shannon Lapanski in place of Attorney William Finnegan, and 10 visitors were in attendance.

Public Comments

There were no comments made by the public.

Motion to pass Resolution 2 of 2020 the resignation of Debra Troy from Council

Motion was made by Thomas Murray and was seconded by Cara Devine. Mayor Andy Tuzinski and all Council members thanked and applauded Debra Troy for her 6 years of service. All council was in favor of this motion. Motion passed.

Open Nominations for Council Appointment

There were 3 residents interested in this position and each were given the opportunity to speak to Council. Phil Mertz, Rob Craig and Susan Smith all spoke to the Council members of their interest for the position. Thomas Murray nominated Phil Mertz and Cara Devine seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations. President Jeffrey McLaughlin closed nominations All were in favor of the nomination of Phil Mertz.

Phil Mertz was sworn into council by Mayor Andy Tuzinski.

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

- 11/18/19 Special Council meeting minutes
- 11/18/19 Council work session minutes
- 12/2/19 Council meeting minutes
- 11/11/19 Shade tree meeting minutes
- November 2019 Code Office Report
- November 2019 Forty Fort Fire Chief Report
- November 2019 Kingston Fire Chief Report
- November 2019 Treasure's Report
- November 2019 Manager's Time Sheets
- November 2019 Tax Collector Report

Correspondence

- Notice of 902 Grant Award- \$340,297.00 (new packer and new wheel loader)
- Police and Fire Department donations from Beyond Behavior Consulting (\$750 each department) Mayor Andy Tuzinski will write thank you letters to be presented to Beyond Behavior Consulting
- Letter of Interest from Robert Naples for Zoning Hearing Board Vacancy (discussion will be made at the January 21, 2020 work session for all open vacancies)

Council Action Items

A motion was made by Thomas Murray to approve payment of all bills. The motion was seconded by David Sieminski. All were in favor. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Frank Mazza of the Resolution 1 of 2020- 2020 Salary Resolution. The motion was seconded by Kristy Dadurka. All in favor. Motion passed.

New Business

A motion was made by Cara Devine to approve the 2020 meeting schedule. Motion was seconded by David Sieminski. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Mayor Andy Tuzinski asked Council to appoint Susan Smith to the Shade Tree Commission. Motion was made by Cara Devine and seconded by Thomas Murray. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Mayor Andy Tuzinski will be bringing members of the volunteer Fire Company to the next meeting to discuss future goals.

Mayor Andy Tuzinski will be writing thank you letters to the Vo Tech class that built the menorah that was placed at the Forty Fort Park. Thank you, letters will also be given to Chief Hunsinger's law enforcement class for, passing out 2020 calendars and newsletters.

Old News

There was no old business

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45PM. Motion was made by Phil Mertz and seconded by Cara Devine.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Pascarella
Borough Secretary