

Borough of Crafton
Monday, November 21, 2022

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1. CALL TO ORDER

President Oliverio called to order the Regular Meeting of the Crafton Borough Council, Monday, November 21, 2022, at 6:30 PM.

2. FLAG SALUTE

Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Interim Manager Sample recorded six (6) Members of Council present as follows: Ms. Bollenbacher, Mr. Chandler, Ms. Compitello, Mr. Levasseur (*arrived at 6:46 PM*), Mr. Marks, and Mr. Oliverio. Also present were Mayor Perry and Solicitor Korbel. Absent was Mr. Ridilla.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION #1: It was moved and seconded (*Marks/Compitello*) to approve the November 21, 2022, Consent Agenda (including the Meeting Minutes dated November 10, 2022, and the Bill List dated November 21, 2022).

MOTION #1 carries by a Unanimous Vote (5-0).

5. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

There were no citizens signed up to speak.

6. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF WRITTEN REPORTS

Mr. Oliverio acknowledged the receipt of the following written reports for October 2022, including the Treasurer's Report, Financial Statement, Act 511, Trash and Property Tax Collection, Police, Building Inspection, Code Enforcement and Library.

7. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

OPEN COUNCIL SEAT

Mr. Oliverio announced that Crafton Borough Council is accepting applications for appointment to the upcoming Borough Council vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Levasseur. He noted that interested candidates, who have been a resident for one year, can submit applications online, via postal mail or in the Borough Office on or before December 1, 2022. Mr. Oliverio added that

interviews will be conducted at the meeting on December 8, 2022, each candidate will have five minutes to present before the Council. He stated that a new member could be appointed and sworn in at that meeting if Council sees fit.

DECEMBER 22, 2022, MEETING

Mr. Oliverio noted that Borough Council may decide to cancel the December 22, 2022, meeting unless the Budget does not pass or if the Council does not appoint a candidate to the vacancy on December 8, 2022.

8. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Perry had nothing to report.

9. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Korbel gave an update on the following Ordinance changes; PA Fireworks Law – a draft ordinance should be ready by December 8, 2022, for Council Members to review, Bradford Avenue Stop Sign – Interim Manager Sample is preparing the draft ordinance and advertisement has been scheduled, Uniform Construction Code (UCC)/Act 57 Tax Waiver – both non policy ordinances and are required by state law, the Act 57 Tax Waiver will be on the December 8, 2022, meeting agenda and the UCC (Uniform Construction Code) update will be completed in 2023.

10. MANAGERS REPORT

Interim Manager Sample had nothing to report.

11. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

2023 BUDGET RESOLUTIONS

Interim Manager Sample stated that there are no changes to the millage. He added that there are a few changes to the fee schedule that reflected updates from 2022 and the wage resolution included a 3% increase for 2023. Interim Manager Sample added that there will be increases in the sewage rates, according to the ALCOSAN increases, and the trash collection fee will increase by \$15.00.

Mr. Oliverio stated that all these changes are noted and posted to OneDrive.

COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INFRASTRUCTURE

UPCOMING GRANT APPLICATIONS

Ms. Compitello gave an update on the H2O Grant and the Small Sewer and Water Grant which will be used for the Broadhead Separation Project match and noted that these are due in December.

MULTI MUNICIPAL ZONING PROJECT UPDATE

Ms. Compitello noted that there is no additional information since the previous meeting and gave a summary of the project. She added that the draft zoning is expected in the spring and stated there is more information available on the website.

COMMUNICATION, RECREATION, AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

Mr. Marks noted that the Committee met last week and discussed the remaining events for 2022. He added that the next newsletter is planned for the spring of 2023.

**Mr. Levasseur entered the meeting at 6:46 PM.*

COMMISSION VACANCY

RECREATION BOARD

MOTION: #2 It was moved and seconded (*Chandler/Bollenbacher*) to appoint Danielle Corey Sheaffer to the Recreation Board for a 4-year term expiring September 30, 2026.

Mr. Chandler stated that interviews were conducted with himself and the Recreation Board chairperson, Jacquelyn Levasseur.

Council members discussed who is notified of applications received, the process for appointment of these positions which Council agreed and approved back in January, and if Council should consider updating the appointment process to allow all of Council to be more involved.

MOTION #2 carries by a Voice Vote (5-1). *NO, Mr. Marks*

MOTION: #3 It was moved and seconded (*Chandler/Bollenbacher*) to appoint Pamela Pulkownik to the Recreation Board to fill a vacancy for a term to expire December 31, 2023.

MOTION #3 carries by a Voice Vote (5-1). *NO, Mr. Marks*

CURRENT OPEN POSITIONS

Mr. Chandler noted that there are still open positions for the following: Civil Service (Alternate), Library (pending), and Zoning Hearing Board.

COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (COG)

Mr. Oliverio noted that Mr. Ridilla was unable to attend the November Meeting. He announced that Crafton will be hosting the December 15, 2022, COG meeting in the Community Center at 6:30 PM, which all Council Members are invited to attend.

12. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. **Upcoming Council Meeting and Budget Adoption** – Thursday, December 8, 2022, at 7:15 PM.
- b. **Celebration of Lights** – Saturday, December 3 at 5 PM. Join in the festivities with Crafton Recreation Board as we welcome the holiday season by turning on the lights in Crafton Park! There will be crafts for kids and classic holiday music. Also, an opportunity to take your picture with Santa and some of our winter friends!
- c. **Senior Giving Tree** – Crafton’s Recreation Board is sponsoring a Giving Tree to help our seniors who may otherwise go without. Donors choose an ornament depicting a senior’s wish-for gift (typically \$20-\$30). The donor attaches the ornament as the gift tag and returns the gift to the Borough Office. Ornaments can be found by visiting local gift trees which are located at the Crafton Public Library, Hanlon’s Restaurant, and one will be at Light Up Night in Crafton Park on December 3rd at 5 PM. The Recreation Board will be purchasing gifts for those individuals which are not selected. If there are any questions, please contact Michele Anker 724-858-6465.

Mr. Oliverio stated that there are two openings for the Recreation Board due to the resignation of Jaquelyn Levasseur.

13. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no citizens signed up to speak.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Carissima Kerns, Borough Secretary