

**MINUTES**  
**FORD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**LOCATION – FORD CITY BOROUGH BUILDING**  
**MAY 24, 2011**

**MEETING SIGN IN SHEET**

Everyone addressing council, must sign in on the meeting sign in sheet. All speakers must step to the microphone to speak. Begin with stating your name and address for the record.

Residents shall not speak for longer than five (5) minutes. The total time allotted for public participation shall not exceed thirty (30) minutes unless otherwise waived by a majority of the quorum.

**CALL TO ORDER** Council President Lux called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. and advised the audience that the meeting will be audio taped.

Council President Lux asks if there is anyone in the audience audio or video taping the meeting. There was no response.

**ROLL CALL** Lou Vergari, John Lux, Ray Klukan, Rob Mohny, Paul Harmon and Mayor Marc Mantini were present. Ron Dillard was absent for personal reasons

**ATTENDANCE** Solicitor Frank Wolfe, Superintendent Emil Coffey, Dan Farester, Jerry Miklos, Jennifer Willyard and Johnathan Weaver - The Kittanning Paper were also present.

**FINANCE** Harmon made a motion to approve the bills to pay in the amount of \$3,222.94. Seconded by Mohny.  
Motion Carried. 5-0 Unanimous (Attachment)

Harmon states the Finance Committee recommends OshKosh Capital for financing the of the new Fire Engine for payments in the amount of \$44,699.16 for 15 years and authorize the Council President to sign the agreement. Seconded by Vergari. Motion Carried. 5-0 Unanimous.

**CHECK SIGNERS** Vergari made a motion to reduce the number of authorized check signers — any combination of two of the following three, the Council President, Council-Vice-President or Borough Secretary shall be authorized to sign checks. Seconded by Klukan. Motion Carried. 5-0 Unanimous.

**RECORDS RETENTION**

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Harmon made a motion to destroy the list of documents submitted as approved by Solicitor Wolfe. Seconded by Klukan.  
Motion Carried. 5-0 Unanimous. (Attachment)

## ZONING

Vergari made a motion to advertise for interested citizens to serve on the Zoning Board. Seconded by Klukan. Motion Carried. 5-0 Unanimous.

## PLAYGROUND SUPERVISORS

Klukan made a motion to hire Clarissa Garay, Britni Mohny, Kelsey Nulph, Emma Robertson and Nikki Wolfe for the 2011 playground supervisor positions for hours not to exceed 20 per week from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. obtaining Act 34 Clearance and to be paid the rate of PA State Minimum Wage, pass a background check and to be scheduled as needed. Seconded by Vergari. Motion Carried. 4-0 Mohny abstains.

Jerry Miklos questions how many applied.

Klukan answered five (5).

## SUMMER LABOR

Mohny made a motion to hire Caleb Berrett, Michael Ried and Jacob Stennett for the 2011 part time summer labor positions for hours not to exceed 40 per week to pass a background check, physical and drug test and to be paid the rate of PA State Minimum Wage and to be scheduled as needed. Seconded by Klukan. Motion Carried. 5-0 Unanimous.

Miklos questions how many summer workers there were last year.

Lux answers three (3).

Miklos states never really hired for real.

## CITIZEN COMMENTS

**Dan Farester** questions if there has been any decision on his request.[Request to close 500 Block of 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue on parade day]

**Jerry Miklos** would like council to reconsider using proceeds from sale of 1984 Pierce to offset cost of new truck. Miklos also questions if the minutes had been reviewed yet.

Lux states minutes will be done for next meeting.

**Jennifer Willyard** questions when the zoning advertisement will be run.

Secretary states it will depend on when the advertisement is turned in.

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Wolfe has no comments at this time.

## MAYOR COMMENTS

Mantini reminds citizens that Sunday is the Veteran's Service and encourages all to remember soldiers by lighting candles. Mantini would like the siren batteries to be checked.

## COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mohney states that the Heritage Days Committee needs extra help with wiring and reminds everyone about their website.

Vergari has no comments at this time.

Harmon asks the Mayor if he could do something with Senate Bill 900, blighted properties.

Wolfe states properties must have serious building code violations, lien property, if bad enough.

Harmon states some properties are bad.

Mantini states that no one is interested in moving here with the blighted properties.

Mohney states that codes need to be looked at to give some teeth for enforcement.

Wolfe states the County Redevelopment Authority has power to label building blighted.

Mantini concerned with problematic high grass. Mantini suggests to put a lien on the property for grass cutting.

Klukan has no comments at this time.

Lux states he is happy to live where he does with all the tornadoes down south. Expresses thoughts to people who do live there.

## ADJOURNMENT

Vergari made a motion to adjourn meeting at 7:25 p.m. Seconded by Klukan. Motion Carried. 5-0 Unanimous

John M. Lux  
Council President

Lisa Bittner  
Borough Secretary

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