

**COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes of November 9, 2015**

CALL TO ORDER

President Hayes called to order the Agenda Meeting of Crafton Borough Council, in Council Chambers of the Community Center. Flag Salute led by Ms. Amendola. ROLL CALL, by Mrs. Tremblay, recorded Six (6) members of Council present as follows: Mr. Amendola, Ms. Amendola, Mr. Crown, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Phillips and Mr. Hayes. (*Absent: Ms. Weitzel, Mayor Bloom*) Also present: Manager Scott.

BILL LIST APPROVAL

MOTION: It was regularly moved and seconded (*Crown/N. Amendola*) to approve the Bill List dated November 9, 2015.

MOTION carried by Unanimous Voice Vote (6-0).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: It was regularly moved and seconded (*Crown/N. Amendola*) to approve the Minutes of October 26, 2015.

MOTION carried by Unanimous Voice Vote (6-0).

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None

**DISCUSSION AND BUSINESS AGENDA
ADMINISTRATION**

MOTION: It was regularly moved and seconded (*Phillips/O'Brien*) to authorize the Appointment of DEP Technologies for Information and Technology Support Services for the Borough, in the monthly amount of \$580 effective January 1, 2016. **COMMENTS:** This matter has been reviewed previously; desire more efficient, local IT provider. Manager Scott received proposals, as presented to Council, from four companies. DEP is local, same services as current provider, plus servicing of police car MDTs, at same monthly price

MOTION carried by Unanimous Voice Vote (6-0).

PARKS/RECREATION

MOTION: It was regularly moved and seconded (*N.Amendola/Phillips*) to allow Boy Scout Troop 148 to park a recycling trailer in Crafton Park (behind the Stage) to encourage recycling in the Park, effective immediately. **COMMENTS:** Actual placement location to be determined/reviewed with Director Kaczorowski.

MOTION carried by Unanimous Voice Vote (6-0).

MOTION: It was regularly moved and seconded (*N.Amendola/O'Brien*) to appoint Martin Avery to the vacant Recreation Board position for a term expiring September 30, 2019. **COMMENTS:** It was noted that he is currently the chairman of Crafton Celebrates, on the Library Board; he desires to be more involved in the community.

MOTION carried by Unanimous Voice Vote (6-0).

BUDGET/FINANCE

MOTION: It was regularly moved and seconded (*Phillips/O'Brien*) to adopt Resolution 2015-16 to appoint Maher Duessel as the Independent Auditor to conduct the 2015 Annual Financial Audit. **COMMENTS:** It was noted that this firm conducted the 2014 Audit, at which time, a three-year proposal/Letter of Engagement was provided with no fee increase over the three-year period.

MOTION carried by Unanimous Voice Vote (6-0).

NOTICE: Summary Budget Overview. Manager Scott noted that the next Budget Meeting is Monday, November 16th.

MOTION: It was regularly moved and seconded (*Crown/N.Amendola*) to approve Real Estate Tax Refunds for 2013, 2014 and 2015, as requested by Jordan Tax Service in the amount of \$9,850.51.

MOTION carried by Unanimous Voice Vote (6-0).

ZONING/PLANNING/COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

NOTICE: Zoning Hearing Board position expires Dec. 31st; (3 Year Term - 2018) One regular Member. Anyone interested should submit a Letter of Interest to the Borough Manager's office by December 1, 2015.

UPDATE: Ordinance – Permitting Chicken in Certain Zoning Districts –Update – Solicitor continuing review and preparation of an ordinance.

UPDATE: Comprehensive Plan – Minutes available on the Crafton Website and Meeting available on YouTube. Manager Scott reported nice attendance at both the Crafton public meeting and the Ingram meeting. A lot of similar comments; concerns.

PUBLIC WORKS

UPDATE: Public Works Employee Appointment (Interviews – 11/10/2015) President Hayes noted that several applications were received and reviewed; most qualified applicants will be interviewed on November 10. Anyone else on Council interested in attending the interviews should contact Manager Scott.

UPDATE: Noble Avenue Paving – Milling commenced today, November 9th; weather-permitting, the paving should be done on November 11th.

ADDITIONAL CITIZEN COMMENTS

Blair Finlay, Broadhead Avenue – Girl Scout Gold Award Project; along Chartiers Trail. Requesting Council's permission to clean and make improvements along the creek trail, possibly adding benches, walking surface, etc. Once she gets approval from the Girl Scout Council, she will be required to put in 100 hours, and will be soliciting financial help from local businesses.

MOTION: It was regularly moved and seconded (*N.Amendola/Phillips*) to approve Blair Finlay, Girl Scout Troop 5024, to do repairs and restoration to the Alcosan Right-of-Way trail, for earning her Gold Award.

MOTION carried by Unanimous Voice Vote (6-0).

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: It was regularly moved and seconded (*N. Amendola/Crown*) to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION carried by Unanimous Voice Vote (6-0).

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Tremblay, Borough Secretary