MINUTES
NORTH YORK BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
November 12, 2024 – 6:30 PM

Call to Order: 6:50 p.m. by Seth Hightman

Pledge of Allegiance: Was led by Mayor Brunk

Roll Call: Seth Hightman, Tracey Knouse, M. Joel Collier, Vickie Rice, Jerry Duncan, Dhani Thomas, Manager Dr. David Bolton, Secretary/Treasurer Sonya Grim and Solicitor Walt Tilley from Stock and Leader were present. Engineer Jason Brenneman was excused. Vivian Amspacher attended by telephone on a motion by Dhani Thomas, second by Vickie Rice, and unanimously approved.

Announcements: An Executive Session was held tonight from 6:00-6:45 pm in the Council Chambers to discuss personnel issues with the Borough Solicitor.

Public Comment (on agenda items only): None.

Approval of Minutes: October 7, 2024 Budget Workshop Minutes and October 8, 2024 Minutes were presented for approval. On a motion by Vickie Rice, second by Dhani Thomas, and approved with Vivian Amspacher abstaining.

Manager's Report: Dr. David Bolton, PhD, MBA, CBO, NDCCDP

Adopt 2025 Municipal Budgets as advertised: Motion was made by Dhani Thomas, second by Jerry Duncan to approve the 2025 budgets. This motion was approved with four "yes" votes and three "no" votes from M. Joel Collier. Vivian Amspacher and Vickie Rice.

Adopt 2025 Tax Resolution: Motion was made by Tracey Knouse, second by Dhani Thomas, and unanimously approved this resolution.

Advertise 2025 Municipal Meeting Dates: Motion was made by Vivian Amspacher, second by Dhani Thomas, and unanimously carried to approve the advertisement of these dates.

Review and Accept RFPs for online security services – Award: Motion was made by Vickie Rice, second by Vivian Amspacher, and unanimously carried to postpone this award until next month.

Approval of new hire candidates for vacant positions: On a motion by Dhani Thomas, second by Tracey Knouse, and unanimously approved, this approval was granted contingent to pending interviews with the Personnel Committee.

Accept resignation of Duane Doll (ZHB): On a motion by Vicki Rice, second by Vivian Amspacher, and unanimously approved, this resignation was approved. On a motion by Vickie Rice, second by Tracey Knouse, and unanimously approved, Sandra Hinkle offered to serve as a temporary alternate until another alternate could be found.

The Manager also discussed plans for the public works building, received pricing for the basketball fencing, the Inch & Company project is moving forward, discussed park lock and restroom damage, tent city at creek area, and there is still nothing to report on the city land suit and other lawsuits.

Solicitor's Report – Walt Tilley, Esq: No action items.

Engineering Reports: No proposed actions.

Secretary/Treasurer Reports – Sonya Grim: Reports for October 2024 were accepted on a motion by Vickie Rice, second by Vivian Amspacher, and unanimously approved. Move to approve/ratify bills through November 12, 2024 were approved on a motion by Tracey Knouse, second by Vivian Amspacher, and unanimously approved.

Borough Correspondence – Sonya Grim: None.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Brunk presented her report.

Police: Lt Anderson reported that crime is down; however, calls are up. Officer Lebo will be promoted to Corporal, Corporal Eiker will be promoted to Sergeant and Officer Bailey will be working in the Detective Unit.

Fire - Chief Sleeger: There was one major incident—a fire at 401 North George Street.

EMC: Nothing to report. We still are looking for an Emergency Management Coordinator.

Committees and Organizations:

Building and Grounds – Information was presented by Manager Bolton in the issuance of an Occupancy Permit for the Recreation Building. It needs to be reissued.

Budget & Finance - Nothing.

Parks & Recreation – Councilor Amspacher was dissatisfied with the Halloween Event setup by Rec Team Lead. The Christmas Party will be held on December 21, 2024 at St Peters Church. More information to follow on the website.

Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Belonging – Nothing.

Personnel – Committee will meet and interview potential employees.

Sanitation - Nothing.

Streets & Sidewalks – George Street was resurfaced by PennDot and Kinsley Project.

Old Business: Discussed 7th Avenue Light and light repair by Kinsley. The manager will follow up on this matter.

New Business: Nothing.

Public Comment: Tic marks on Duke Street need repainted. Scrap trucks and box trucks parked at this location make it hard to see. Dennis Brunk mentioned the container in the Public Works area - Manager will follow up. Discussion was held on traffic on Albright Alley. Place on the agenda for next month with recommendations from Police and Fire Departments. Discussion on Meade/Queen Street regarding four-way stop signs and removing a few parking spaces so it is easier to see.

Announcements: Next Council Meeting is Tuesday, December 10, 2024 at 6:30 pm at 350 East Sixth Avenue, York, PA 17404

Adjournment: Council adjourned at 8:20 pm on a motion by Vivian Amspacher, second by Jerry Duncan, and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Sonya J. Grim

Secretary/Treasurer