

CITY COUNCIL
Sunbury PA 17801
August 8th, 2022
6:15 pm

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Council of the City of Sunbury was called to order with the Honorable Mayor Brosious, presiding. There was a quorum with the following in attendance:

John Barnhart, Director of Public Safety
Lisa Martina, Director of Public Works
James R. Eister, Director of Parks, Recreation and Public Buildings

Other City officials in attendance:

Jolinn Barner, City Clerk
Bradley Hare, Chief of Police
Jeffrey Wojciechowski, Code Enforcement Supervisor
Joel Wiest, City Solicitor
Jerome Alex, City Controller
Ronald Rupp, Fire Chief
Derrick Backer, City Administrator

Visitors present: 9

A moment of silent reflection was held prior to beginning of the meeting

Agenda Additions

Mayor Brosious made the motion to add city hall renovation for discussion, golf carts for discussion, rescind vote for Purchase of UTVs and plow upgrades from 7/25/22 meeting for a voting item, and purchase of different model UTVs for a voting item. Second Martina. Unanimous vote.

Public Comment/Agenda Items

Mayor Brosious asked for public comment on agenda items.

Allen Bubb: Mr. Bubb asked what was the trail sponsorship on the agenda for? Council explained that it is for the SWEEP project.

Approval of Minutes and Reports

The Minutes of July 11th and 25th, 2022, and Reports of the Fire Dept., Police Dept., Treasurer Office, Code Office, Health Dept., and Planning Commission. Reports are in the City Clerk's office for review. Minutes will be posted at sunburypa.org – Mayor Brosious made the motion to approve the minutes and reports. Second Barnhart. Unanimous vote.

Reagan Street

Update

City Administrator explained that the project is on schedule, and mentioned that the City plans to have a ceremony when the street is opened.

SWEEP

Update

Mr. Karlovich gave a brief update as to how the project is progressing. Mr. Karlovich explained to council what the trail sponsorship is about and is hoping some of the larger companies will donate money to have one of the three trails be named after the company, and Mr. Karlovich is requesting that council votes to approve the trail sponsorship.

Trail Sponsorship

Mayor Brosious made the motion to approve the trail sponsorship. Second Eister. Unanimous vote.

STMP

RFP for Strategic, Comprehensive, Zoning Plan

City administrator explained the RFP and mentioned that the cap amount for the grant was \$120,000 and it will be a 70/30 split where the City will pay 30%.

Mayor Brosious the motion to accept the RFP grant. Second Martina. Unanimous vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

TSTG PennDot Grant for 3rd and Market Street Traffic Signal

Councilwoman Martina made the motion to apply for the TSTG grant. Second Brosious. Unanimous vote.

RACP for SRI

Mayor Brosious made the motion to table SRI to apply for a RACP for a later date until the 50% match is available. Second Eister. Unanimous vote.

Resolution 2022-55 Additional ARPA Funds

Mayor Brosious made the motion to accept resolution 2022-55 for the additional ARPA funds. Second Martina. Unanimous vote. (See attached)

Resolution 2022-56 Add Properties to the Nuisance List

Councilman Barnhart made the motion to accept resolution 2022-56 to add properties to the nuisance. Second Brosious. Unanimous vote. (See attached)

Resolution 2022 57 through 63 removal of properties from Nuisance List

Councilman Barnhart made the motion to accept resolutions 57 through 63. Second Brosious. Unanimous vote. (See attached)

Resolution 2022 – 64 Update Public Nuisance List

Councilman Barnhart made the motion to accept resolution 2022-64 to update the public nuisance list. Second Brosious. (See attached)

Planning Commission Appointment of Jennifer Daddario

Mayor Brosious made the motion appoint Jennifer Daddario to the planning commission. Second Martina. Unanimous vote.

Police Vehicle Rescue Funds

Mayor Brosious made the motion to put the remaining ARPA funds after the UTVs and Traffic Study are taken out for the purchase a police vehicle.

Accept Resignation of Alexander Rissinger

Mayor Brosious made the motion to accept the resignation of Alex Rissinger. Second Barnhart. Unanimous vote.

Mayor Brosious mentioned that Alex Rissinger agreed to stay on part-time in order to make the transition easier for the City.

Advertise for Administrative Assistant

Mayor Brosious made the motion to advertise immediately for the position of Administrative Assistant. Second Barnhart. Unanimous vote.

Rescind Vote for Purchase of UTVs from 7/25/22 Meeting

Mayor Brosious made the motion to rescind the vote. Second Martina. Unanimous vote.

Forming a Parking Meter Committee

Councilman Eister made the motion to form a parking meter committee with the following employees: Bradley Hare, Todd Harvey, Marcus Bethel, Jerome Alex, and Kevin Troup. Second Brosious. Unanimous vote.

Purchasing Different Model UTVs

Mayor Brosious made the motion to purchase four UTVs from Hoover Tractor based on the Costar pricing. Second Eister. Unanimous vote.

Santa Parade Road Closure

Councilwoman Martina made the motion to accept the Santa Parade Road closure request for November 25th. Second Brosious. Unanimous vote.

Traffic Study

Councilman Eister made the motion to perform a traffic study for 21,900 using the American Rescue funds. Second Brosious. Unanimous vote.

APPROVAL TO PAY INVOICES

Mayor Brosious moved to approve to Pay Invoices/Vouchers General Fund - \$165,909.59 and Liquid Fuels Fund - \$1,033.45. Second Martina. Unanimous vote.

Discussion

There was discussion regarding the following topics between council and public officials.

- Dumpster Permission
 - Council discussed creating a permit to make sure that residents and or contractors must get in order to put a dumpster on City streets, because over the past weeks there have been issues and people can't get down some streets due to the dumpsters resulting in a safety issue.
- Tennis Court Bathrooms Repairs
 - Council discussed installing a camera system and giving out keys to a certain group of people so they can be opened up during practice or games once the necessary repairs have been made.
- City Hall Renovations
 - Council discussed the repairs and improvements that will make employees safer and more efficient in City Hall.
- Golf Carts
 - Council discussed allowing golf carts to be driven on city roads as long as they follow state regulations.

Announcements

Mayor Brosious announced:

Accepting letters of interest for 1 Alternate on the Shade Tree Commission.
please submit letters of interest to the Mayor's Office, attention City Clerk or email jbarner@sunburypa.org

Request for Bids for 460 Arch Street Property with bids due to the Redevelopment Authority, by November 4th, 2022

2nd Business Meet and Greet will be hosted by at Iron Vines Winery on August 17th starting at 6pm.

Pre-Submitted Audience Comment

There were no Pre-Submitted Comments.

In Person

Mayor Brosious asked for public comments.

Briana Apfelbaum: Ms. Apfelbaum asked if the request for bids due to the Redevelopment Authority be posted on the City's social media.

Melissa Rowse: Ms. Rowse wanted to thank the City for the help they provided for the Riverfestival.

The next city council meeting will be held on August 22nd, 2022, at 6:15 pm.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Alexander Rissinger,
Administrative Assistant