

## **Continued Meeting of California Borough Council, November 20, 2017**

President Alfano called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

**ATTENDANCE:** Mr. Alfano, Mr. Bittner, Mr. Difilippo, Mr. Glab, Mrs. Gutosky, and Mr. Goroncy

**ABSENCE:** Mr. Encapera, Mr. Mariscotti, and Mayor Weld

### **ADDITIONS /CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

No additions or changes made

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT – MR. ALFANO**

#### **2018 TAX RATE**

Mr. Alfano stated after budget workshops and careful consideration we will have to raise our general purpose tax by one 1 mil.

Motion by Difilippo/Glab to set the 2018 Tax rate mileage at 4.33 mils; general purpose 3.65, fire service .3000, street improvement- .1900 and recreation - .1900 duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

Motion by Bittner/Difilippo to advertise the 2018 Tax Ordinance duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

#### **2018 MEETING DATES**

Mr. Alfano stated we need to approve and advertise the meeting dates for 2018

Motion by Difilippo/Bittner to advertise the 2018 meeting dates duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

#### **SOLVENCY FEE – 2018 - \$2,227.94**

Mr. Alfano asked Ms. Evans to explain the solvency fee. Ms. Evans stated it concerns unemployment compensation and the borough may elect to request relief from charges.

Motion by Difilippo/Glab to pay the 2018 Solvency fee in the amount of \$2,227.94 duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

### **BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – DR. MARTIN**

#### **LIGHTING AT SEWER PLANT – COST NOT TO EXCEED \$2,500.00**

Dr. Martin stated he reported to council of the lighting issue down at the sewer/street facility and we had A1 Electric come in and look at it and they've checked a number of things including damage that was caused by moisture collecting in some of the wall box units down there. To repair these units and replace bulbs with LED bulbs the cost is approximately \$2,488.00 so he's asking for a motion not to exceed \$2,500.00 to correct this lighting problem

Motion by Difilippo/Glab to approve fixing the lighting issue at the sewer/street facility at a cost not to exceed \$2,500.00 duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

#### **RESPONSE COMPUTER 2018 MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT**

Dr. Martin stated we have received a quote from our IT company for a maintenance agreement for 2018 at a cost of \$3,558.00.

Motion by Gutosky/Glab approve and renewal our annual agreement with Response for all of our IT needs at a cost of \$3,558.00 duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

Dr. Martin stated we returned the router that Advent had installed and will received a credit for what we've paid.

**PUBLIC HOUSING – MR. GLAB**

Nothing to report

**PUBLIC WORKS – MR. MARISCOTTI**

Nothing to report

**PUBLIC SAFETY – MR. BITTNER**

Motion by Bittner/Difilippo to pay Siana Bellwoar & McAndrew's invoice #72878 in the amount of \$3,648.25 duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

**FINANCE – MRS. GUTOSKY**

**TENTATIVE BUDGETS**

Motion by Gutosky/Difilippo to adopt the 2018 tentative Highway Aid budget which is balanced at \$299,970.87 duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

Motion by Gutosky/Bittner to adopt the 2018 tentative General Fund budget which is balanced at \$1,962,400.81 duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

Motion by Gutosky/Glab to adopt the 2018 tentative Sewer Fund budget with income at \$1,955,100.00 and expenses at \$1,840,353.29 duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

Motion by Gutosky/Glab to authorize the 2018 tentative budgets for a 10 day public review prior to adoption at the Dec. 14, 2017 meeting duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

**PUBLIC HEALTH – MR. DIFILIPPO**

Nothing to report

**PERSONNEL – MR. ENCAPERA & MR. MARISCOTTI**

Nothing to report

**ENGINEER'S REPORT – MR. EBY**

Nothing to report

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT – MR. AGRAFIOTIS**

**OLD BUSINESS**

No old business

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Glab stated as a note on the budget this is the first general purpose increase we've had to adopt since 1994.

Mrs. Gutosky asked if we should wait until our new Mayor is seated before discussing the School Resource Officer any further.

Mr. Bittner spoke with Mr. Gerber of Siana Bellwoar & McAndrew and asked if he could talk to either person who was elected mayor therefore;

Motion by Bittner/ Difilippo to have the newly elected Mayor allotted two hours to have a conversation with Mr. Gerber of Siana Bellwoar & McAndrew concerning the duties and responsibilities of the Mayor duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

**RECOGNITION OF CITIZENS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Glab/Bittner to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 pm carried with all members present stating aye.