

## East Stroudsburg Borough, June 21, 2016

A special meeting of the East Stroudsburg Borough Council was held at the Municipal Building on Tuesday, June 21, 2016. The following members were in attendance: Donald Cross, Edward Flory, Roger DeLarco, Maury Molin, William Reese, and Sonia Wolbert. Also attending were: Solicitor John C. Prevoznik; Manager James S. Phillips; and Codes Official Marvin Walton.

### Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance – President DeLarco

Mr. DeLarco called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Paul Gasper.

### Moment of Silence and Reflection

A moment of silence was observed by all in attendance.

### Minutes of June 7, 2016 Regular Council Meeting

Mr. Cross made a motion, seconded by Mr. Molin, to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2016 regular Council meeting as submitted; the motion carried unanimously.

### Public Comments – Agenda Items

None.

### Proposal from Stroud Region Open Space and Recreation Commission (SROSRC) for management of Dansbury Park Swimming Pool for 2016 Season

Mr. Phillips said the SROSRC Board held a special meeting on June 16<sup>th</sup> and approved the concept of taking over management of the Dansbury Pool, as a means of being able to open the swimming pool this season.

Samantha Holbert, Interim Executive Director for SROSRC was present and distributed a proposed staffing budget for the Pool based on management by SROSRC. Mr. Holbert said the Pool Manager for the Stroudsburg Pool, Scott Karaman, would also manage the Dansbury Pool; and he is meeting with the lifeguard staff tonight. Mr. Flory questioned a \$12,000 line item for supplies? Ms. Holbert said that is for life vests, rescue equipment, and other safety supplies that may be needed. Mr. Reese asked what the anticipated opening date? Ms. Holbert replied Monday June 27<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Molin asked if it might be possible to open this coming weekend, even with limited hours? Ms. Holbert said there are a lot of arrangements that have to be put in place, and everyone would like to open as soon as possible – but there is just no way to commit to that tonight.

Ms. Holbert said a formal agreement or memo of understanding between the Borough and SROSRC needs to be drafted and adopted; one needs to be done with Stroudsburg Borough also. Mr. Prevoznik also noted the Borough must check with our insurance company on this change in management; and asked if SROSRC will require an advance of funds from the Borough to offset staffing startup costs? Ms. Holbert said an advance of \$5,000 would be beneficial. Mr. Cross asked about staff rotations, since that was one of the concerns of the Pool Committee. Ms. Holbert said Scott has used a 15 minute rotation for lifeguards at the Stroudsburg Pool, with only one guard being off at a time; and she assumes he will structure the schedule here in a similar manner.

After discussion, Mrs. Wolbert made a motion, seconded by Mr. Flory, to enter into an agreement with SROSRC for management of the Dansbury Park Swimming Pool for the 2016 season; subject to the following:

- The proposed budget is accepted as presented.
- SROSRC will look into adjusting the budget to provide custodial service for the rest room facilities.
- The Borough to provide an advance of \$5,000 to SROSRC for pool staffing start-up.
- Lifeguard staff will be employees of SROSRC.

- Pool maintenance costs will remain the responsibility of the Borough.  
The motion carried unanimously.

#### Public Comments

Victor Brozusky asked if there will be a change in rate for season passes, for the reduced season if the pool isn't opening before June 27<sup>th</sup>? Mr. Molin said it will be a shorter season by maybe one week, but also noted that the Borough is attempting to reduce the operating costs for the Pool with the change in management.

#### Ratification of Continuation of Program with Smithfield Township for Township residents obtaining swimming Pool season passes at Borough resident rates, and the Township reimbursing the Borough for the Cost Differential for those residents

Mr. Flory made a motion, seconded by Mr. Molin, to ratify continuing the program with Smithfield Township as in prior years; the motion carried unanimously.

#### List of Bills Payable – June 21, 2016

Since all Council members did not get a chance to review the bills, Council did not take action on them, pending the June 30<sup>th</sup> meeting.

#### Executive Session

Mr. Flory made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wolbert, to adjourn into executive session at 7:08 p.m.; the motion carried unanimously.

At 7:25 p.m. Council members reassembled in the lobby of the Municipal Building, due to the Planning Commission meeting in Council Chambers; and Mr. Reese made a motion, seconded by Mr. Molin, to reconvene the public meeting; the motion carried unanimously. Mr. Prevoznik said the executive session was held to discuss potential litigation and employment issues; and no decisions were made.

#### Adjournment

With no further business, Mr. Molin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reese, to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 p.m.; the motion carried unanimously.

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James S. Phillips, Secretary