

**BOROUGH OF FOUNTAIN HILL
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

June 6, 2016, 2016

7:00 P.M.

Council members present were: Mr. Rapp, Mr. Blatt, Mr. Trabel, Ms. Halleman, Ms. Jordan. Ms. Gifford, Mr. Trotter and Mayor Rosado. Also in attendance were Anthony Branco, Borough Administrator, Mr. Don Lipson, Esq., Jason Quarry, Interim P.W. Supervisor, Chief Ed Bachert, Fire Chief Dave Boehner, Zoning Officer Albert Rohrbach, and visitors

Council President Rapp called for the pledge to the flag, followed by a moment of silence in remembrance of D-Day.

Council President Rapp indicated the next item on the agenda was the approval of minutes:

1. Minutes of the April 20, 2016 Work Session Meeting.
Mr. Trotter motioned for approval of the minutes seconded by Ms. Jordan. The minutes were unanimously approved.
2. Minutes of the May 2, 2016 Regular Meeting.
Ms. Jordan motioned for approval of the minutes seconded by Mr. Trotter. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Council President Rapp opened the meeting to the public for any comments on Agenda items or by those persons registered to speak.

Council President Rapp introduced Mr. Tim Schantz from the Weiss-Schantz agency who presented Council with a plaque from Controllable Premium National Education Association for reducing the Borough's insurance premium by \$105,000 while increasing coverage by \$4,000,000.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Rosado stated that he had attended the Community Block Party at Stanley Park hosted by the Epic Center Church. Mayor Rosado stated that there were many families and children in attendance.

Vice President Blatt stated that he was also at the event and concurred with the Mayor's statements.

Mayor Rosado read the Police report for May, the Investigators report from April to May, and the District Judge.

Executive Administrator's Report:

- Resignation of Ms. Suzanne Poroszai from the Zoning Hearing Board effective immediately. The motion passed 5 yea, 2 nay.
Mr. Branco was directed to send a letter of thanks to Ms. Poroszai for her service.

	Motion	2nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Philip Trabel				X		
Carolee Gifford		X	X			
Hellen Halleman				X		
Annamarie Jordon						
Norman Blatt	X		X			
Doug Trotter			X			
Larry Rapp			X			
Mayor Jose Rosado						

Mr. Branco informed Council that he had received a letter from Lehigh County Community Development Block Grant, and that it has been recommended to the Commissioners that the 2017 award for the reconstruction of the western end of Jeter Avenue be in the amount of \$201,231.00

Presidents Report:

Mr. Rapp credited Mr. Branco for the time and effort he put in to research multiple insurance agents and save the Borough costs.

Mr. Rapp informed Council that Mr. Branco may be nominated to Resolutions & Policy Committee of MECAB. There is currently one vacancy. This position may be beneficial for the Borough.

Solicitor Report: N/R

Council President Rapp moved onto Resolutions: none

Council President Rapp moved onto Motions: none

Council President Rapp moved onto New Business:

Mr. Blatt informed Council that the Memorial Day ceremony was a success, and thanked the Public Works employees, Fire Department, and the Fountain Hill Elementary School students for their participation. Mr. Blatt also stated that he will check with the Legionnaires to inquire if they want the Borough to take over the ceremony next year.

Council President Rapp moved onto Old Business: none

Council President Rapp proceeded to Committee Reports:

Finance Committee:

Mr. Trotter reviewed the amount of bills paid in each Fund, and made a motion for the approval of the bills. The motion was seconded by Ms. Gifford and was approved unanimously.

Public Works Committee:

Ms. Jordan presented the May Public Works report.

Police Committee:

Chief Bachert notified Council that oral interviews will be held for the candidates that have passed both the written and physical agility tests for the position of patrolman.

House & Ordinance Committee: N/R

Fire Committee:

Ms. Gifford read the May fire report. There were 25 calls and property loss of \$20,000.

Recreation Committee:

Mr. Trabel informed Council that the summer pool and playground staff were in the process of getting their Child Clearance forms, and that both programs would start on June 13.

Health & Sanitation Committee:

Ms. Halleman read the May Sewer and Sanitation report, and noted that since Council had started using a collection service delinquent payments are increasing.

Council President Rapp asked if there were any reports from any Special or Select Committees.

Ms. Jordan invited Council to the ribbon-cutting on our new children's center on Friday (June 10) at 2:30 at the main branch of the Bethlehem Public Library.

Council President Rapp opened the meeting up to any public comments.

Ms. Gifford made the motion to adjourn to at 7:31p.m. The motion was seconded by Mr. Trabel, and the motion was unanimously approved.

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LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

By: _____
Lawrence E. Rapp, President of Council

ATTEST:

By: _____
Anthony Branco, Secretary