

Minutes
Council Meeting
June 24, 2008

- I. A regular scheduled meeting of the Borough Council was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by President Edward M. Mitchell. The meeting was held in the Upland Municipal Building.
 - A. Present were: President Edward M. Mitchell and Vice President Christine Peterson. Present were Council members Mrs. Sandy Miazza, Ms. Moira Crawford, Mrs. Georgianna Hicks, Mr. Lee Hunter and Mr. Dennis Walls. Mayor Michael Ciach, Mr. Charles Catania, Sr. P.E., Mr. Robert O'Connor, Esquire, and Mrs. Shirley Purcival, Borough Manager Treasurer/Secretary were present. Also present were the following dignitaries and officials: The Honorable James Charley, John Pickett of the Delaware County Planning Commission, Chief John Mc Kenna, various Police Chiefs and personnel from numerous police departments and agencies, families and friends.
 - B. Approximately seventy residents, including family members of the Upland Police Officers who were being sworn in attended the meeting.
- II. The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was lead by President Edward M. Mitchell. The Pledge was followed by a moment of silence.
- III. Moment of Silence

President Mitchell asked for a motion to go out of the regular order of business, which was seconded by Vice President, Christine Peterson.

1. President Mitchell asked for a motion to hire John Easton to the position of Chief of Police for the Borough of Upland of the Upland Borough Police Department.

Council member, Leland Hunter made a motion to hire John Easton to the position of Chief of Police for the Borough of Upland. Vice President, Christine Peterson seconded the motion.

Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

The Honorable James Charley administered the Oath of Office to John Easton, which was followed by a round of applause

2. Mr. Hunter offered a motion to hire eight part-time officers, which was seconded by Vice President, Christine Peterson.

Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

Mayor Michael Ciach administered the Oaths of Office to the following eight new part-time Upland Police Officers: Nicholas Adelizzi, Andrew Clauhs, Richard Clymer, Vincent D'Agostino, Anthony DeLuise, Sean Johnson, Robert Labreche and Jason McDonnell.

3. Mr. Hunter offered a motion to promote Corporal David Edwards to the rank of Sergeant of the Upland Police Department effective June 24, 2008, which was seconded by Vice President, Christine Peterson.

Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

Mayor Michael Ciach administered the Oath of Office to Sergeant David Edwards.

4. Mr. Hunter offered a motion to promote Michael Curran from part time police officer status to Full time Police Officer status effective June 2, 2008, which was seconded by Vice President, Christine Peterson.

Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

Mayor Michael Ciach administered the Oath of Office to Michael Curran.

5. Mayor Michael Ciach presented Unit Awards to Sargeant Dave Edwards, Officers Michael Curran, Officer Matthew Rustark and Officer Brian Boyd for service above and beyond the call of duty. Officer Michael Curran also received a merit award for a recent DUI stop that lead to a drug possession arrest and Officer Matthew Rustark earned a merit award for the identification and capture of a rape suspect.

The meeting is adjourned for a 15 minute recess and refreshments at approximately 7:30 p.m.

President Mitchell offered a motion to resume the meeting and return to regular business, which is seconded by Vice President, Christine Peterson.

The meeting resumed at 7:50 p.m.

- V. President Mitchell asked for a motion to accept the Minutes of the Council Meeting of May 13, 2008.

Vice President, Christine Peterson offered a motion to accept the Minutes of Council Meeting of May 13, 2008, which is seconded by Mr. Hunter.

Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

President Mitchell asked for a motion to accept the 2008 Street Improvement Bid Opening Minutes of June 6, 2008.

Vice President, Christine Peterson offered a motion to accept the 2008 Street Improvement Bid Opening Minutes of June 6, 2008, which is seconded by Mr. Hunter.

Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

VI. Treasurer/Manager's Report - Mrs. Shirley Purcival

Ms. Crawford made a motion to accept the Treasurer/Manager's Report. Mrs. Miazza seconded the motion.

Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

Ms. Crawford made a motion to accept the Income Statements. Mrs. Miazza seconded the motion.

Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

Ms. Crawford made a motion to accept the Manager's Report. Mrs. Miazza seconded the motion.

Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

Ms. Crawford made a motion to accept the (3) Proofs of Publication. Mrs. Miazza seconded the motion.

Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

VII. Auburn Village Report - Mr. Dennis Walls

No report was given.

VIII. Public Safety - Mr. Leland Hunter

Mr. Hunter offered a motion to accept the Fire Marshall's Report, which was seconded by Vice President, Chris Peterson.

Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

XI. Building and Grounds Report - Mrs. Sandra Miazza

No report was given.

X. Finance and Insurance Report - Ms. Moira Crawford

Ms. Crawford stated the invoices for approval from the General Fund were in the amount of \$66,870.16. Ms. Crawford offered a motion for approval of payment of these invoices, which is seconded by Vice President, Christine Peterson.

Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

Ms. Crawford stated the invoices for approval for the Auburn Village were in the amount of \$4,215.63. Ms. Crawford offered a motion for approval of payment of these invoices, which is seconded by Vice President, Christine Peterson.

Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

XI. Ordinances and Resolutions - President Mitchell

President Mitchell offered a motion to accept Resolutions No. 17 of 2008 through No. 24, and Ordinance #6 of 2008, which is seconded by Vice President, Christine Peterson.

Roll call vote as follows:

Resolution #17 of 2008 - Civil Service Commission - Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

Resolution #18 of 2008 - Salary Increase of Borough Manager

Council members, Mrs. Hicks, Ms. Crawford and Mrs. Miazza were opposed to the acceptance of this resolution as presented.

Council member Dennis Walls commented that a \$20,000 increase was too much, too soon and that an additional four holidays were recently approved, which is unheard of. Mr. Walls commented that a \$10,500.00 increase is acceptable. Council members Mrs. Hicks, Ms. Crawford and Mrs. Miazza stated they would agree to the change of Resolution and accepted a \$10,500.00 increase.

Vice President, Christine Peterson stated she would not accept a change to Resolution #18 and voted Nay.

President Mitchell stated the additional \$10,500.00 salary increase will be approved after a re-evaluation in January 2009. Resolution #18 is to be changed as follows:

1. Commencing July 1, 2008, Shirley Purcival shall receive a pay increase, for the remaining six months of the year 2008, until December 31, 2008, of \$10,500.00, in addition to her current set forth annual salary.
2. Shirley Purcival shall receive a salary increase for the year 2009, in addition to the current amount stated in the previous Item Number One which is now combined with her annual salary, to bring the total salary amount for the year 2008 of \$57,853.12. This pay increase amount, for the year of 2009, shall be determined before December 31, 2008.

On roll call vote: President Mitchell, Aye. Mr. Hunter, Aye. Mrs. Miazza, Aye. Mrs. Hicks, Aye. Mr. Walls, Aye. Ms. Crawford, Aye. Vice President, Christine Peterson voted Nay.

Resolution #19 of 2008 - Promotion of Michael Curran to Full-Time Officer - Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

Resolution #20 of 2008 - Promotion of Corporal David Edwards to Sergeant - Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

Resolution #21 of 2008 - Appointment of Tom Kennedy as Plumbing Inspector - Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

Resolution #22 of 2008 - Appointment of John Easton to Chief of Police - Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

Resolution #23 of 2008 - Transfer of PLGIT Funds in the amount of \$30,000.00 - Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

Resolution #24 of 2008 - Senate Bill 1063 - Opposition to the Creation of New County Wide Bureaus and County Wide Entities to collect and administer local taxes due Upland Borough. Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

Ordinance #6 of 2008- Verizon Pennsylvania, Inc.- Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

XII. Research and Development Report - Mrs. Georgianna Hicks

Mrs. Hicks stated the Upland Borough website is almost up and running and she has sent a package of information to the webmaster.

XIII. Streets and Equipment Report - Mrs. Christine Peterson

Vice President, Christine Peterson offered a motion, which is seconded by Mr. Hunter that at the recommendation of the Borough Engineer, Mr. Catania that the 2008 Road Improvement Project be awarded to A. F. Damon, Inc. of Upland, PA. in the amount of \$61,407.50.

Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

XIV. Community Affairs Report - Mrs. Sandra Miazza

Mrs. Miazza stated July 4th will be celebrated by a picnic and games in the Bristol Lord Field between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

XV. Use and Occupancy Report - Mrs. Shirley Purcival

Vice President, Christine Peterson offered a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Hunter that the Use and Occupancy Report be accepted.

XVI. Mayor's Report

Mayor Michael Ciach asks that the press release attached be made part of the record.

XVII. Solicitor's Report - Mr. Robert O'Connor

No report given.

XVIII. Engineer's Report - Mr. Charles Catania, Sr.

No report given.

XIX. Chester Upland School District Report - Mr. Kamp

President Mitchell commented "again" Mr. Kamp is not present.

XX. Old Business

None

XXI. New Business

- A.1 President Mitchell stated that a resignation letter was submitted by Ronald Mayo and asked for a motion to accept the letter of resignation.

Vice President, Christine Peterson offered a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Hunter that the resignation letter be accepted.

The Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

- A.2 President Mitchell asks for a motion to ratify the Settlement Agreement with the Borough and Visionary Companies, LLC and Min Sec Companies.

Vice President, Christine Peterson offered a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Hunter that the Settlement Agreement be accepted.

On Roll Call Vote: President Mitchell, Aye. Vice President, Christine Peterson, Aye. Mr. Hunter, Aye. Mrs. Miazza, Aye. Ms. Crawford, Aye. Mrs. Hicks, Nay. Mr. Walls, Nay.

- A.3 President Mitchell asks for a motion to ratify the Verizon Agreement.

Vice President, Christine Peterson offered a motion, which is seconded by Mr. Hunter that the Verizon Agreement be accepted.

Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

- A.4 President Mitchell asks for a motion to ratify the Mobilite Investments LLC Lease Agreement.

Vice President, Christine Peterson offered a motion, which is seconded by Mr. Hunter that the Mobilite Investments LLC Lease Agreement be accepted.

Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

- A.5 President Mitchell asks for a motion for the expense of building a closet at the Borough Hall to use for police uniforms and equipment.

Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

- A.6 President Mitchell asks for a motion for the expense of installing electric service to the flagpole to allow for the Borough to have a Christmas tree lighting and other various uses at other times of the year.

Council unanimously voted aye on the motion.

XXII. Floor Open to the Public

No Public Comment

XXIII. Adjournment

There being no other business before the Council, President Mitchell requested a motion to adjourn.

Vice President, Christine Peterson offered a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Hunter to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley Purcival
Borough Manager/Secretary/Treasurer

Virginia M. Sentyz
Recording Secretary