The regular monthly meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of East Rochester was held Wednesday, June 7, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the East Rochester Fire Hall, East Rochester, Pa.

PRESENT: Joyce Gordon, Kendra Hill, Terry Mason, Frank Reda, Jim Simon, and Mayor James Cable.

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Solicitor Paul Steff, Chief Mercier, Engineer Jeff Frye, and John Clay, Zoning/Code Officer.

CITIZENS REPORT: None

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING: Terry Mason asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion was made by Kendra Hill to accept the minutes and seconded by Jim Simon. By way of roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS: Terry Mason made a motion to hire Dawn Librich as Borough Secretary/Treasurer for three days per week at a rate of $14.00 per hour no holiday or vacation until after ninety calendar day probation retroactive to May 22, 2017 accepted by Jim Simon and seconded by Kendra Hill. By roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried. The Secretary presented the minutes from the May 11, 2017 meeting of Rochester Area Sewer Authority. She also informed council on an update from Gulisek, the ramp on Route 65 going to Freedom has reopened and the ramp coming from Freedom will be closed through August 11, 2017, they will also be replacing the sidewalk northbound Constitution Way and Walnut Avenue from June 12, 2017 through July 12, 2017. Borough of Rochester is looking for donations for a war memorial and parks project, council suggested John Barrett, Rochester Borough Manager attend the next meeting to give more information on this project, Chief Mercier is to have Mr. Barrett contact us to set this up. Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (MS4) permit update for 2018 was given to Engineer Jeff Frye to fill out prior to September 30, 2018. Sam Landis reminded Engineer Jeff Frye that he is needing Borough maps.

MAYOR and POLICE: Mayor James Cable presented the police report for May. There were Ninety total calls, two disorderly conduct, one DUI, one possession of drug paraphernalia and eighteen vehicle citations. Motion was made to accept May's police report by Kendra Hill and seconded by Jim Simon. By roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

STREETS & SEWERS: Joyce Gordon reported Sam Landis the new Street Foreman is doing a great job cutting weeds and grass throughout the Borough. Frank Reda reported that Sam has fixed many potholes using 3 loads of cold patch. Joyce Gordon mentioned street lights being out on route 65 and looking into how we can get them working and maybe contacting Duquesne Light for a bill credit, these lights have been out for over a year, ever since construction started on route 65, Mayor Jim Cable has been in contact with Senator Vogel's office several times concerning this matter and will contact the project manager with Gulisek to see if they can get these lights back on. Street Foreman Sam Landis discussed getting rid of the scrap pile behind the municipal building, council agrees to get rid of all scrap, Joyce mentioned getting rid of old tires by taking them to Smallwood Tire, John Clay said old roof silatex foam can be taken to a regular landfill and suggested Valley Waste.

BUILDING PERMITS: Code Enforcement Officer, John Clay reported fifteen calls and two permit issued, 3 zoning inquiries. He stated that the PA Liquor Store was moving back into the shopping center and is going to be locating into their old location as well as the old paint shop. The entire plaza is being renovated including the landscaping in front of Long John Silvers, Goodwill be moving to the old video store location during renovations. He also stated that the demolition of the car port at the Ferencik property has been completed and property inspection has been signed off. John has also spoken to the manager of Get Go concerning the water weeds behind the store, they have contracted with a company to do the work sometime the week of June 12, 2017. Fireworks company will also be setting up June 25, 2017 through July 6, 2017 He will be checking on them.

FINANCE & BUDGET: The secretary reported the Schedule of Bills presented to each council person totaled $21,955.88 for the month. Joyce Gordon made a motion and was seconded by Kendra Hill. By way of roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried. Joyce Gordon had a question concerning Duquesne light bill for Private Area Ballfield, lights aren't working how is the borough being billed for this. A bill has been submitted by Chester Engineering for project #16-6583-MC-A-0, $450.00 to be paid from General Fund Account and $2432.00 to be paid from Sewer Maintenance Account. Motion by Kendra Hill and seconded by Joyce Gordon. By way of roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

TAX REPORT: There was $3547.81 in taxes collected in May 2017 and the tax collector's commission is $139.51. Joyce Gordon made a motion to approve the tax collector's report and commission. It was seconded by Kendra Hill. By way of roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried

FIRE DEPARTMENT: State Workers Insurance survey, sent by workers compensation insurance periodically, to be filled out by Secretary and mailed back to insurance company.

SOLICITOR, ORDINANCE & LITIGATION: Solicitor Paul Steff discussed parking regulations and discussion he had with Rochester Borough Police Chief. He passed out ordinance 332, Amended Code 404.1 which prohibits parking of unregistered, uninspected or inoperable vehicles on public streets and Code 408 Penalties to go from $15.00 to $25.00 plus costs of prosecution. Solicitor Steff submitted this ordinance as a draft and must be advertised prior to passing. Motion by Frank Reda and seconded by Joyce Gordon to advertise. By way of roll call, all in favor. Motion carried Ordinance will take effect 30 days after adoption.

BOROUGH ENGINEERING: Jeff Frye reported he is continuing with the process of getting permits for the debris catchers at the Plaza. He is currently getting bids for the work at the end of Fifth Street near Landell Street. Chaffee, Debo, Nicely and Drumm have been contacted. So far he only has a bid from Chaffee. He is also getting bids for the roof of the Borough building. He also reported that the PENNVEST Project is trying to finalize by next month. He will take care of PA Environmental Protection (MS4) Permit by date required.

RECREATION: Joyce Gordon reported grass cutting outside of the ballfield and around

concession stand was a problem, Sam Landis cut the grass but is Dan Cisco from Rochester Little Rams going to be taking over the cutting, the fence is down, after the last council meeting John Drumm approached Joyce and has agreed to work for free to repair this if the borough purchases materials, Joyce hasn't heard back from him, Sam knows someone that will do the work for $400.00, Sam was asked by council to get an estimate on paper to submit for work to be done, if cost is more than $400.00 it will need to be approved at the next council meeting. Motion by Joyce Gordon and seconded by Frank Reda. By way of roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried. Joyce also stated that we have a water weed problem and they need to be cut and sprayed. Sam was asked to cut and spray these water weeds. Sam Landis reported that he couldn't cut the locks on the concession stand windows but had new locks to be put on and a key would be on file in the Borough secretaries' office.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

A motion to adjourn was made by Kendra Hill and seconded by Frank Reda. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn Librich, Borough Secretary/Treasurer