

MINUTES OF THE CORNWALL BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2021 AT 6:30 P.M.  
IN THE CORNWALL BOROUGH GARAGE

Council President John Karinch called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENT

Council President John Karinch, Council Vice President Ron Ricard, Marie Tribioli, Steve Tribioli, Thomas Burton, Bruce Conrad and Mayor Mark Thomas

ALSO PRESENT

Borough Manager Cody Rhoads

ABSENT

Al Brandt

PUBLIC

Meeting attendance sheet is attached hereto.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No comments.

OLD BUSINESS

PALMER STREET STOP SIGN

Marie Tribioli made the motion, seconded by Ron Ricard, to advertise the ordinance that will place a stop sign at the intersection of Palmer and Lynch. Motion passed.

FIRE COMPANY

John Karinch stated that the borough received the necessary paperwork from Solicitor Cleary to resolve the issue with the deed. Fire Company President Dave Slater said they also received the paperwork from their solicitor, and they will approve it at their next business meeting. Mr. Karinch reminded him that if it does not get signed, there will be no funding from the borough for a fire truck.

Mr. Karinch asked about co-ownership of the fire truck when it is purchased. He believed the borough should be listed on the title. Mr. Ricard agreed with that sentiment. Ms. Tribioli stated that whether she agrees or disagrees, she felt it was a little late to try to work this issue out if there is a Friday deadline. It was agreed that this issue can be addressed later.

Mr. Karinch stated that there was some miscommunication last week and that is why there was another meeting called. Council was under the assumption that they would be funding half of the purchase, but it would be the whole cost minus the down payment made by the fire company. The financing options were reviewed. Ron Ricard made the motion, seconded by Bruce Conrad, to purchase the 2012 ladder truck by using a 20-year PEMA loan in the amount of \$200,000 at

2% interest and an 8-year loan for \$205,000 at 3.27% interest. Thomas Burton voted against. Motion passed 5-1.

Jeff Bamberger asked if the borough would have joint-ownership of the truck, would the borough be responsible for the maintenance on the truck? Mr. Conrad stated that those are the things that need to be looked at and why it can not be decided tonight. Mark Thomas stated that the borough does not necessarily have to be on the title, but there could be a contract between the two parties.

#### NEW BUSINESS

##### AUTHORIZE HIRING OF PT POLICE OFFICER

Ron Ricard made the motion, seconded by Bruce Conrad, to authorize the hiring of Shane Boerst as a part-time police officer. Motion passed.

#### FEASIBILITY STUDY

Mr. Rhoads reviewed his conversation with Rob Brady and the references that Mr. Brady provided. Mr. Rhoads felt it would be a great benefit to have Mr. Brady conduct the feasibility study and everyone he spoke with highly recommended him. Mr. Karinch also has a really good impression of Mr. Brady from his interaction with him and felt we should be move forward with the study. Bruce Conrad made the motion, seconded by Ron Ricard, to contract with Rob Brady for a feasibility study. Thomas Burton voted against. Motion passed 5-1.

#### ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to conduct, Marie Tribioli made the motion, seconded by Bruce Conrad, to adjourn the meeting at 6:54 p.m. Motion passed.

Cody Rhoads  
Secretary