COUNCIL MEETING-WEDNESDAY-DECEMBER 7, 2016

The regular meeting of the Bromley Council began at 6:30 p.m. with a pledge to the flag.

Roll call: Gail Smith, Tim Wartman, Mayor Jobe, Attorney Vocke, Charlie Foulks, Nancy Kienker and Bob France. Dixie Meyer is absent.

Smith moves that the November 2, 2016 minutes and the Special meeting (November 12, 2016) minutes be approved as presented. Foulks seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

CITIZEN REPORT

Larry Hamant, Boone and Pleasant, reported that vehicles are parking to the corner. The grass is growing over the curb and Mr. Hamant believes that the curb was painted yellow. France will put this on his list to be pursued by the next Road and Light Chairperson.

BUILDING INSPECTOR/NO REPORT/SCHUTZMAN IS ABSENT

POLICE REPORT

This report is available in the office for review. There are no major problems, per the police chief.

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT WILL BE EMAILED AS THERE IS NO REPORT AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME.

HALL REPORT/PROGRESS

ROAD AND LIGHT REPORT

France has presented a written report and a copy of recommendations for the bus and emergency vehicle areas where turning has become a problem. The report shows parking areas that need to be adjusted or lengthened. The report is self-explanatory. Chief Stanley, Park Hills Police (PHP), explained that his department cannot pursue the parking problems only by yellow-painted curbs. Signs must be posted. They can ticket vehicles parked too close to a stop sign. They have not been doing this due to the shortage of parking spaces in Bromley. They have been trying to keep the public harmony and do not want to become highly aggressive, but will become more aggressive if instructed to do so. France feels that the City needs to keep areas more open where school bus and emergency vehicle clearance is a problem. In some areas, the bus has had to stop and back up to make a turn. The Attorney stated that the ordinance states that vehicles must park twenty-five feet from a stop sign. Chief Stanley will instruct his officers to begin enforcement in these areas tomorrow.

Dixie Meyer entered at this point (6:37 p.m.).

ATTORNEY REPORT

The Attorney has a check for a delinquent tax bill which will be given to the Treasurer. The Attorney will pursue the guardrail issue with the insurance company for the party involved in the accident. He has a copy of the Police report in regards to this issue. There is a five-year statute of limitations. The City has paid the bill.

The Attorney read Ordinance 11-1-16 for the second time. This ordinance amends the 2015-16 budget. Smith moves to accept this reading. Foulks seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

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The Attorney read Ordinance 11-2-16 for the second time. This ordinance pertains to who is responsible for trees within the City limits. Foulks moves to accept this ordinance. Smith seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

The Attorney read Ordinance 12-1-16 for the first time. This ordinance pertains to parking regulations, tow-away zones and signage. Smith moves to accept this reading. Foulks seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

There is a Resolution from the Telecommunications Board reappointing Greg Rechtin as Bromley's cluster representative, if the City so chooses to allow this appointment. The Resolution was read by the Attorney. Smith moves to accept this resolution. Kienker seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

The Attorney reports that the Legislature has amended some Code Enforcement Board (CEB) statutes, part of which allow cities to jump ahead of first mortgages. The Attorney stated that the ordinance is ready but is approximately twenty pages in length. He can prepare a summary. He will forward the entire ordinance to the Mayor and Council for review.

The Attorney stated that the Attorney for Mr. Young, 312 Pike Street, had put the old address on the paperwork which has left the matter hanging in limbo. Attorney Vocke has an affidavit for Schutzman to sign and he will again pursue the lien on this property. Mr. Vocke also stated that no paperwork was ever filed on 308 Pike owned by Mr. Young as well.

The Attorney is working on a tax foreclosure on 1 Pike Street. There are a number of out-of-state defendants on this property.

The Attorney will be given a new list of properties to pursue for foreclosure.

MAYOR REPORT

The Mayor is working on Main Street in regards to pricing and the draft for the sign for 509 Main. Mayor Jobe stated that the trees have to be included on the blueprint.

The Mayor stated that the fire department might be willing to assist Public Works in the hanging of Christmas banners that will be hung from one side of the street to the other. There is the possibility that a bucket truck can be rented for a day. This project will be for Christmas of 2017.

The Mayor informed Smith, for the record, that the City will not be removing, nor replacing, the concrete wall at 305 Main Street. We will go after the property owner in regards to this matter. Per the Mayor, not only is the wall moving but the foundation of the house is moving as well.

The Mayor reports that 509 Main Street is to be cleaned up this weekend and the equipment and dumpster will be removed until the work at 214 Pleasant begins.

The Mayor informed Smith that the electrical work on the park garage will probably be done in-house. Public Works and others in-house can do this work.

The Mayor was reimbursed for some electrical equipment. He contacted John at our auditing firm and, as there are no credit cards any more for these projects, the auditor has instructed the Mayor to use this reimbursement as a "petty cash fund" to buy all parts, then return the receipts. The balance of money will be returned to the City.

The Mayor informed Larry Hamant that the City has been renting the backhoe by the month and it is being funded, not through the City funds, but from the Main Street Project funds.

The Mayor informed Meyer that Schutzman will sign off on all electrical work and then an electrical inspector will have to inspect the work.

The blueprints for Main Street went to Schutzman by mistake and the City just received them yesterday. The City has not been reimbursed from the grant money to date.

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When the inspectors were in town they also inspected the property at 305 Main Street, where the wall is falling down. This is included in the inspection report which gives the City the right to go after the property owner.

Handicapped ramps will only be installed where there is room to do so.

Smith asks that former Council members return their handbooks as they leave office. Foulks has already done so.

The Attorney has nothing in regards to a CEB lien on 420 Hayward. Supposedly, a title search stopped when a lien from the City was found on this property. The Attorney will speak to Schutzman about this property and will then pursue this matter with Council's authorization.

WAYS AND MEANS REPORT

Smith reports that the City has received \$1,500 from KLC for the "sidewalk safety grant". This money will be returned to the Municipal Aid Fund to help pay for the recent curb and sidewalk work done on Oak Street.

The General fund shows receipts in the amount of \$174,000 and expenditures of \$212,000 for a loss of \$38,000.00.

PARK AND PLAYGROUND & LICENSE/NEWSPAPER/WEBSITE NO REPORT

INSURANCE AND GRANTS

Kienker has submitted the bobcat for insurance coverage. She is waiting for a response.

Smith moves to accept committee reports. Foulks seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS/NONE

NEW BUSINESS

Smith moves to accept the appointment of Marco Sansone as the City's representative on the Planning Board, replacing Joe Tewes. Foulks seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

The office will be closed from December 24, 2016 through January 4, 2017.

COMMUNICATIONS/NONE

The Attorney informed Meyer that old statutes, not in play anymore, contain the clause that cities with under 1,000 residents cannot collect occupational license fees.

BILLS

Foulks moves to pay the bills. Kienker seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

Meyer moves to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

MAYOR CLERK