SPECIAL MEETING

HUNTINGDON BOROUGH COUNCIL

JANUARY 23, 2018

6:00 P.M.

A Special Meeting of Huntingdon Borough Council was held on Tuesday, January 23, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. in the Borough Council Chambers, 530 Washington Street, Huntingdon, PA 16652.

Sign in Sheet is attached.

The following members were present for the meeting: Vice President Sean Steeg, Terry Green, Johnathan Hyde, Dave Quarry, Mayor David Wessels, and Borough Secretary Melody J. Parsons.

Mayor Wessels gave the Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vice-President Steeg welcomed visitors for public comment. He asked all to sign the list provided by the door.

Donna Isenberg, 1110 Moore St, asked the council to reconsider taking the $10,000.00 donation out of the 2018 budget. She asked if they cannot donate the full amount then possibly a lesser amount.

Jim Bair arrived at 6:10 pm.

Scott Shaffer asked what the deficit actually is. He asked Council if the full-time CEO and Zoning Officer position will be advertised. Vice President Steeg responded that he does not know. Mr. Shaffer also wants to reiterate what Donna said. There are 4 ambulance units out at a time. Vice-President Steeg asked how units do we have total. Councilperson Green said we have 8. Councilperson Hyde asked if any other municipalities donate. Mrs. Isenberg responded they do not get anything.

Councilperson Quarry asked about the $20,000.00 vs the $40,000.00 in beautification. Manager Wheeler responded that he will adjust it.

Manager Wheeler explained that the tax collection will go up. The Grants Administrator will be $26,520.00 for $15.00 @34 hrs. Engineering will do up $2,000.00. Mayor Wessels asked if they could get a look at the previous 10 yrs. of engineering expenses. We need a broader scope.

Manager Wheeler reported that by law the Chief gets the same raise as the officers. He put in for the Code Enforcement Officer to get an increase to $17.00 at full-time. Jim Morris will be opting out of the Health Insurance.

Manager Wheeler explained we no longer receive rental income from recycling money. We used Hollenbaugh’s on clean-up day and Wednesdays and Saturdays for leaf collection. Councilperson Green asked if we do clean up every year. He thought we were going to start skipping a year. Councilperson Quarry stated that the borough needs to work out an electronics pick up day. Manager Wheeler will arrange for an e-waste pick up day.

Manager Wheeler recommends budget meetings quarterly.

Motion was made by Councilperson Quarry, seconded by Councilperson Bair recommending the approval to advertise and display the 2018 budget.

Jay Brous spoke about the speeding out Warm Spring Avenue. He said it will never stop.

Executive Session called at 7:36 pm regarding legal matters

Reconvened at 7:40 pm …No decisions were made.

**Adjournment**

Motion was made by Councilperson Quarry, seconded by Councilperson Bair to adjourn.

BY: Melody J. Parsons

Borough Secretary