The **Agenda Meeting** of Charleroi Borough Council was held on May 1, 2024, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Roll Call showed the following Members of Council present: Kristin Hopkins-Calcek, Larry Celaschi, Jerry Jericho, Paul Pivovarnik, Thomas Santoro and Robert Whiten Jr.

Jospeh Smith was absent

Also, present were: Mayor Gregg Doerfler, Solicitor Dennis Paluso and Borough Admin/Secretary Roberta Doerfler.

The **Regular Meeting** of Charleroi Borough Council was held on May 8, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Roll Call showed the following Members of Council present: Kristin Hopkins-Calcek, Larry Celaschi, Jerry Jericho, Paul Pivovarnik, Thomas Santoro and Robert Whiten Jr.

Jospeh Smith was absent

Also, present were: Mayor Gregg Doerfler, Solicitor Dennis Paluso and Borough Admin/Secretary Roberta Doerfler.

Motion by Paul Pivovarnik and seconded by Robert Whiten Jr. to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from April 10, 2024

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

PUBLIC DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEMS:

• K2 Engineering gave it's monthly report

Finance: Councilman Pivovarnik stated that all Borough invoices are being paid, mentioned that Joe Manning will be added as a signer on all accounts and had no further report at this time

Public Works: Councilman Santoro gave the monthly report of the street department and also mentioned that they got the bucket truck fixed.

Parks and Recreation: Jerry Jericho reported that there has been almost \$500,000 in improvements to the parks. Kristin Hopkins-Calcek gave a report on the progression of Magic City Saturday

Code, Fire EMS and Animal Control: Bobby Whiten gave the reports of code, EMS and Animal Control. Ems has officially moved out of their building into their own at First Street. Matt Prentice gave the fire department report and mentioned their fundraiser of the clay shoot

Personnel: No report at this time

Police: Jerry Jericho reported that each municipality should expect an increase in next year's police budget to cover for a \$79,000 car, to replace the one that was wrecked. The first payment is due this year at a cost of \$15,800

Community Planning: Larry Celaschi reported that Columbia Gas has 6 to 8 projects going on in Charleroi. The CMAQ traffic signals project is starting and that the 4.5-million-dollar investment in the 9th Street High Rise has been completed. Larry also stated that he would like to thank Jody Cheplic and Linda Waggoner for their help with the Southwest Training for the summer workers. Joining with them saves the Borough \$10.35 per hour wages for up to 32.5 hours a week

Mayor's Report: No report at this time

AGENDA:

1. Motion by Paul Pivovarnik and seconded by Tom Santoro to approve the April/May 2024 list of expenses and payments in the amount of \$210,036.11

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

2. Motion by Jerry Jericho and seconded by Thomas Santoro to authorize June 29th, 2024 as Magic City Saturday from 11 -9

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

3. Motion by Tom Santoro and seconded by Jerry Jericho to approve adopting a section of the Borough Policy & Procedure Handbook to address social media use by employees during work hours

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

- 4. Motion by Jerry Jericho and seconded by Thomas Santoro to approve to hire the recommended applicants for the Street Department to follow the Collective Bargaining Agreement
- Edward Brown-Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

- Motion by Tom Santoro and seconded by Bob Whiten to approve to hire the recommended applicants for the Street Department to follow the Collective Bargaining Agreement
- Kristopher Wergin-Roll Call Vote showed Bob Whiten, Tom Santoro, Paul Pivovarnik and Kristin Hopkins-Calcek voting "yes" and Jerry Jericho and Larry Celaschi voting "no"
 Motion Carried
- 5. Motion by Jerry Jericho and seconded by Paul Pivovarnik to authorize the purchase of the proposed GeoPlan software for code enforcement at a total one-time implementation cost of \$9,000 and the total annual cost for three licenses (two employees and one vendor) will be \$1,800 without the GIS mapping

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

6. Motion by Tom Santoro and seconded by Bob Whiten to accept proposal from Comcast to upgrade to fiber optics at a monthly cost of \$882.65 with Comcast waiving the construction cost of \$14,249.00

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

7. Motion by Thomas Santoro and seconded by Bob Whiten to authorize to advertise for lowest most responsible bid for lawncare service to maintain vacant lots in the Borough, must have certificate of liability

Roll Call Vote showed Bob Whiten, Tom Santoro, Jerry Jericho and Kristin Hopkins-Calcek voting "yes" and Paul Pivovarnik and Larry Celaschi voting "no" Motion Carried

8. Motion by Larry Celaschi and seconded by Paul Pivovarnik to amend the agenda by adding partnering with Southwest Training Service

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

9. Motion by Larry Celaschi and seconded by Paul Pivovarnik to authorize partnering with Southwest Training Services to help with covering the cost of summer workers for the street department. They will reimburse the Borough \$10.35 per hour for up to 32.5 hours a week from June 17, 2024 to July 26, 2024

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

At this time Larry Celaschi requested an executive session on personnel, public works and a litigation, insurance matter

10. Motion by Tom Santoro and seconded by Jerry Jericho to come out of executive session at 7:50 p.m.

Roll Call Vote Was Unanimous

Motion Carried

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The next Charleroi Borough Council Agenda meeting is June 5, 2024 at 6PM.
- The next Charleroi Borough Council Business meeting is June12, 2024 at 6PM.

Motion by Tom Santoro and seconded by Jerry Jericho to adjourn the meeting.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Kristin Hopkins-Calcek, President

Roberta Doerfler, Borough Admin/Secretary