

Many items discussed at Jan. 7 FC Council session

*Council has a \$20,000 grant to resurface the tennis and basketball court but the specs call for material which is much more costly.

*The Main Street Christmas lights and wreaths have been removed from Zazzera's market basement and are now stored in the Borough garage.

*Councilman Bob Lesjack reported that new Main street cross street Christmas lights cost approximately \$2,000 a string. A committee is looking into improving the present light display.

*Local property owner Bob Selinsky questioned a motion made in June which would have had the new police handguns remain in police HQ. He said part time officers who sometimes work only one shift a month are carrying them home. He also said that 40 S&W caliber guns should have been purchased rather than 9MM for their knock-down power.

*Council President Nick Cost said the installation of the new Main Street sidewalk lights, on the west side, is awaiting repairs of the new sidewalks by Leeward Construction. He said the fixtures are here.

*The application of Eric Bennett as a part-time public works employee was accepted.

Suicide Awareness Meeting Thurs., Jan. 24

The Wayne/Pike Suicide Awareness Committee announces the monthly meeting to be held on Thursday, January 24, 2019 at Wayne Memorial Hospital, 601 Park Street, Honesdale, beginning at 7 PM. The meeting will take place in Conference Room #3, 2nd floor (take the Orange elevator "A").

The support group is a positive support time to help deal with suicide and loss of a loved one. We wish to invite individuals 16 years of age and older to attend the meeting.

Our 2019 Awareness Walk will be held on Saturday, September 28, 2019. PLEASE mark your calendar. We would like to thank everyone who participated in the 2018 walk and those who donated raffle prizes and baskets.

For more information please contact Ms. Michelle Valinski at 570-253-9200. Please note, in case of inclement weather the support group will not meet. Volunteers are welcome to serve on the Wayne/Pike Suicide Committee also by contacting Ms. Valinski.

Thompson Hose Co. Super Bowl Food Sale

The Thompson Hose Co. will have a PIZZA, WINGS & MORE SALE on Super Bowl Sunday, Feb. 3rd from 12:00 - 6:00pm.

Menu includes: Wings: Hot, Mild, Garlic, Honey Mustard, BBQ; 16" round Pizza Plain, Pepperoni, Mushroom, Banana Peppers, Onions, Sausage; Fryer Food: Mozzarella Sticks, Battered Cauliflower & Mushrooms, Poppers, & Perogies.

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The purchase policy is currently at \$2,000. Supervisor Curtis expressed that he wants to see the amount raised to \$5,000. Chair Coles disagreed. Vice Chair Non made a motion to have the purchase policy amount set at \$4,000, seconded by Supervisor Curtis. Chair Coles voted no. The motion carried.

Wages for common labor. It is currently \$14.25/hr. with time and a half for major holidays of New Year's Day, Easter, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Supervisor Curtis suggested a pay raise of 50 cents per hour. Chair Coles made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Non to raise the salary to \$14.50. Supervisor Curtis voted no. The motion carried.

Wages for CDL licensed employees (currently new CDL hires will remain at the wage of \$13.75/hr until the length of service hits the one year or 250 hour mark at which time compensation rises to \$15.75/hr. Motion made by Vice Chair Non, seconded by Supervisor Curtis to raise the CDL hire rate by 50 cents, bringing the rate of hire for a CDL licensed employee to \$14.25/hr and the rate after one year or 250 hours at \$15.75. Carried unanimously.

Vice Chair Non made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Curtis to give CDL driver Ron Poska a raise of \$16.25. Carried unanimously.

The janitorial rate goes from \$14.25/hr to \$14.50/hr.

Lawn mowing is currently set at \$14.25/hr. Vice Chair Non made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Curtis to give Frank Pauler a raise to \$15.00 as he mows with his own mower and fuel. Carried unanimously.

Salary of the tax collector was kept at \$600 per quarter and 90% of the tax verification.

Winter Fest At Kennedy Park Sat., Feb. 23

The Forest City Parks and Recreation Board, in conjunction with a Forest City Regional School Senior Project, and the Forest City Police Dept. will hold a Winter Fest on Saturday, Feb. 23 from 10AM to 2PM. Ice conditions will dictate the extent of the event.

Asst. Police Chief Lee Rowan said it will be a Senior Project of two FCR high school students, and will include ice fishing, hockey, ice skating, basketball tournament, Corn Hole Tourney, Soup Cook-Off, and other events. There will be prizes, raffles and baskets and food and beverages throughout the day.

The Senior Project students will be in charge of the fundraising for the event which will benefit the Forest City Parks and Recreations.

3rd floor use At Boro Hall Is restricted

Anyone planning to use the 3rd floor of the Forest City Borough building will find a locked door unless they make arrangements beforehand with the Borough Office. Building and Grounds committee chair Bob Lesjack said recent unauthorized use of the room had caused scuff marks on the newly refinished floor so Council will install a locked door at the entrance.

Lesjack said that 120 chairs and twelve tables have been received and will be available for use at any authorized events.

The status of the occupancy permit indicating the number of persons allowed there has not yet been determined.

Meeting dates were kept on the second Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m., and all meetings will be held at the township building in Aldenville. The year-end meeting will be held on Dec. 30 at 7 p.m.

Mileage rate went up to 58 cents a mile from 54.5 cents due to the IRS rate.

Chris Martin remained the sewer enforcement officer and L. Finlon as the alternate. Permit fees were kept the same with the exception of the agriculture fee which was lowered to \$20. Bob Bates remained code enforcement officer and L. Finlon as alternate and Mike Dolph as township permit officer. Dolph was also retained as the nuisance ordinance enforcer.

The junkyard permit fee remained at \$200, and Planning Commission members remained the same.

The banks are currently Wayne Bank, with the active liquid fuels account in Honesdale National Bank along with an active general account with FEMA/PEMA money dedicated to work on Burns Road. Chair Coles made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Non to keep the bank accounts the same.

At this time Supervisor Curtis brought up that the workers want bi-weekly pay. Chair Coles said he would not sign any paychecks outside of approval at a meeting. Vice Chair Non made a motion, seconded by Chair Coles to table the subject until talking with PSATS and Solicitor Treat and finding out what can be done legally. Carried unanimously.

All taxes stayed the same with the exception of the Storm Water Tax: Real Estate - 7 mils; Wage Tax - 1/2 of 1% Clinton I and 1% for Clinton II; Hydrant Tax - 2 mils - Clinton II; Sewer Tax - 4 mils - Clinton II and the light tax - 4 mils - Clinton II. The Storm Water Tax - Clinton II - .1062 mils. Chair Coles made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Non, to suspend the Storm Water tax. Carried unanimously.

Chair Coles made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Non, that any or all supervisors, treasurers, auditors, and the tax collector can attend the state convention. Carried unanimously.

Chair Coles made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Non that seminars could be attended by supervisors and others as they apply. Carried unanimously.

Documents signed (Currently the Treasurer and two supervisors sign) Chair Coles made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair to keep things the same. Carried unanimously.

Payment of bills remained the same and Saldo fees were kept the same.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

FCAES Meat Raffle set for Sat., March 23

Chances for the Forest City Area Emergency Services Spring meat raffle are now on sale.

Purchase a ticket to win one of 18 meat prizes, or better yet, come to the event and enjoy additional meat raffles, door prizes and food for sale.

The raffle will take place on Sat. March 23, from 5 - 9 p.m. at 380 Railroad St. Forest City.

For more information call 570-785-5025 or 570-785-3226

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Happy Birthday to: Chrisy Fortuner, Janet Bendyk, Edward Lombardi, Donald Bennett, Al Urban, Steve Richner, Clara Keast, Carol Nebyzdowski, Christopher Mikulak, John Walker, Christopher Walters, Rachel Terry, Joyce Nyberg, Colleen Kelly and Carol Dixon.

Happy Anniversary to: Al and Sally Asinari and a Happy 65th Anniversary to Walt and Jean Welicka! They have 5 children, 16 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren and one more on the way! Enjoy your special day!

Congratulations to Mackenzie Jackson, Pleasant Mount, for being named to the Dean's List for the Fall 2018 semester at Bloomsburg University.

Property Transfers for October 2018: Mount Pleasant Township - October 10 Glenn Khoury, Jennifer D. Luke Khoury, a property to Dixon Valley Development LLC.; October 12 - Walter H. Gooler, Helen Janice Gooler; a property to Ge-

rard Geary, Autilia Geary; October 31 - Kirk Matthew Schweighofer; a property to Casey Berwanger, Beth Ann Berwanger.

As I write this column, we are expecting about four inches of snow for Friday (Jan.18) morning and an even bigger storm this weekend, Saturday into Sunday. No exact totals at this writing but there are claims of a foot or more of the white stuff. One meteorologist that I like is Howard Manges of WBNG Channel 12 in Binghamton, NY. At the beginning of the week, he said, "I will probably say there is the possibility of a storm 50 times."

No hype, just a forecast that is usually pretty accurate. There was a meteorologist some years ago who predicted one inch of snow on Jan. 7, or Russian Orthodox Christmas. We got twenty. No joke. If you remember or guess who it was, email me at bu7294@gmail.com."

Now that is a big Oops!

FCR School wants parents to Be concerned about vaping

Forest City Regional School Board was advised that "vaping" is a serious problem at Forest City Regional and is going to be addressed further in the future. Supt. Dr. Jessica Aquilina said "parents are in denial" that this new type of smoking is a problem.

Dr. Aquilina said a recent program at the school on the dangers of vaping was poorly attended by parents. She said parents must partner with the school to address this growing issue. She said vaping has become more serious than nicotine smoking.

She said the school is looking at a mandatory meeting with parents if a student has a second violation of the vaping policy. She said the District has ordered test strips which are used to determine if oil residue in vaping pipes is an allowable substance and not a controlled substance.

The Board also implemented the District's "Safe2Say Something" program effective

Jan. 14th. The program allows people to make anonymous reports to school officials about possible violent statements or conditions that may be seen or heard by people.

Dr. Aquilina said that a training program for students, staff and the community will take place on January 28th.

Valentine's Day Dinner in C'dale Thurs., Feb. 14

Trinity Episcopal Church, 58 River Street, Carbondale is having a Valentine's Day Pasta & Meatball Dinner on Thursday, February 14th which includes: Pasta w/sauce and meatballs, salad, Italian bread and dessert. Dine in or Take out. Donation is \$10.

Walk ins welcome. Call church office for tickets (570) 282-3620.

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