

WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

BOROUGH OF ROBESONIA

March 21, 2017

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Vice President Harvey Marshall called the March 21, 2017 workshop meeting to order at 7:30 PM with the pledge to the flag. Council Members present were Mike Martin, Rod Soliday and Bill Langjahr. Also attending the meeting was Manager Lisa Heilman. Council Members Tony Wirebach, Frank Schnee and Abby Wertz were absent, as was Mayor Randy Gartner.

**VISITORS & CITIZENS** - There were no visitors.

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:**

ORDINANCE 2017-2

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF ROBESONIA, BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA AMENDING THE BOROUGH OF ROBESONIA CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER XV ENTITLED "MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC", PART 2 ENTITLED "TRAFFIC REGULATIONS", BY AMENDING: (1) SECTION 22 ENTITLED "SPEED LIMITS ESTABLISHED" TO ESTABLISH A SPEED LIMIT OF 15 MILES PER HOUR ON ALL STREETS, UNLESS OTHERWISE POSTED, AND REDUCING THE SPEED LIMIT TO 15 MILES PER HOUR ON THE ENTIRE LENGTHS OF OAK AVENUE AND MAPLE AVENUE; AND (2) SECTION 26 ENTITLED "STOP INTERSECTIONS ESTABLISHED" TO ESTABLISH STOP INTERSECTIONS ON: WEST OAK AVENUE AT ANNAS STREET, TRAVELING IN BOTH DIRECTIONS, SYCAMORE STREET AT EAST OAK AVENUE, TRAVELING NORTH, SYCAMORE STREET AT EAST RUTH AVENUE, TRAVELING IN BOTH DIRECTIONS AND LOCUST ALLEY AT SOUTH ELM STREET, TRAVELING WEST.

Mr. Langjahr made the motion to adopt the advertised amendments, Mr. Soliday seconded and Council approved unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS** – Ms. Heilman advised Council that in order to hold the public hearing needed for the Fire Company to obtain the low interest financing needed for the purchase of the new fire truck, Solicitor George asked that we consider holding the meeting on either April 6<sup>th</sup> or April 7<sup>th</sup> and that a quorum would be needed for the hearing. It was decided to hold the hearing at 10AM on Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup>. Attorney will run the ad in the Reading Eagle. Mr. Martin asked for a reminder to be sent out that morning.

**OLD BUSINESS** – Mr. Marshall discussed the acquisition of the Breininger property with Council. He feels a letter needs to be sent to the Breiningers' attorney, David Beane, seeking a binding legal agreement between the Borough and the Breiningers/Breininger heirs, protecting the Borough in the event we are unable to acquire the necessary remediation grant funds within five years. If that cannot be secured, he feels it would be unfair to our taxpayers to take ownership of this property and that the matter should be dropped.

**COMMUNICATIONS-** None

On a motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Soliday and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM.

Attest:

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Heilman  
Borough Manager