

**MINUTES OF DUBLIN BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2015**

CALL TO ORDER: The Monday November 23rd Council Meeting was held in Borough Hall at 119 Maple Avenue, Dublin, and called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Council President Jeffrey Sharer. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT

Mayor:	Chris Hayes *	
Council:	John Munley	Jamie Priester *
	Robert Pavlek	Brent Smith
	Jeffrey Sharer	Gary Mast
	Matthew Mayes	

APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Borough Manager:	William Wert
Borough Solicitor:	Michael Kracht, Esq.
Borough Engineer:	Thomas F. Zarko, P.E.
Police Chief	Brian Lehman
Fire Chief	Kevin Nugent *

* Not present

**late arrival

VISITORS REGISTERED: Florence Rogers – 114 South Main Street.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS: None.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – November 9, 2015: **ON A MOTION** by Gary Mast, seconded by Robert Pavlek, all present voted in favor to approve the minutes of the November 9th, 2015 Council Meeting. **Motion carried 6-0.**

NOVEMBER 20, 2015 BILLS LIST: Mr. Wert presented to Council for approval the current bills list dated November 20th, 2015. There were questions and discussion about water meter replacement. **ON A MOTION** by Bob Pavlek, seconded by John Munley, all present voted in favor to approve the bills list of November 20th, 2015. **Motion carried 6-0.**

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

1. **2016 Preliminary Budget Presentation:**

a) **Authorization to Advertise:**

- I. **2016 Preliminary Budget for Public Review:** Mr. Wert provided Council with a copy of the Preliminary 2016 Budget for their consideration. It included a 2.25 millage increase in the General Fund. It also includes debt service payments to pay for a borrowing of \$2,995,000 for sewer plant projects and roadway repaving projects on Borough roads.

ON A MOTION by Brent Smith, seconded by Gary Mast, all present voted in favor to authorize advertisement of the 2016 Preliminary Budget. **Motion carried 6-0.**

- II. **2016 Tax Ordinance:** Mr. Wert detailed the draft 2016 tax ordinance available on file. The General Purpose Tax Rate is listed as 13.75 mills and the Street Improvement Tax Rate is 1.50 mills. This constitutes an increase of 2.25 mills to a total millage rate of 15.25.

After some discussion and questions, **ON A MOTION** by Robert Pavlek, seconded by Brent Smith, all present voted in favor to authorize advertisement of Draft Ordinance 305, Fixing 2016 Tax Rates. **Motion carried 6-0.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. **Finance Committee:** The Finance Committee continues to review and explore all funding options for future capital projects for streets and the sewer system and to work on the 2016 budget. There is a special Finance Committee meeting scheduled on Monday December 7th at 6:30 PM at the Borough Hall.

OTHER BUSINESS: None.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS: None.

COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL: Matt Mayes expressed his thanks to Bill Wert and everyone on the Finance Committee for their help and hard work. Mr. Wert announced that the Community Development Block Grant of \$162,500 for the installation of cross walks throughout the Borough was approved by HUD. Funds are 100% reimbursed and should be released in late January 2016. The project should take eighteen months to two years to complete. Small highway project coordination was discussed; including stop bars at intersections of Main, Elephant, Maple, and Middle Streets. Discussion took place regarding the Multimodal grant and whether to withdraw the grant due to receiving the CDBG.

ON A MOTION by Brent Smith, seconded by Matt Mayes, all present voted in favor upon notification of receiving the Community Development Block Grant funds, to withdraw the Multimodal Grant applications at PennDOT and DCED. **Motion carried 6-0.**

ADJOURNMENT: **ON A MOTION** by Brent Smith, Mr. Sharer declared the meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Date Approved: _____

William Wert,
Manager/Secretary/Treasurer