

BYRAM TOWNSHIP SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING-OCTOBER 22, 2020- 1:00 P.M.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Rubenstein called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT

This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. This meeting has been electronically sent to the newspapers and uploaded to Byram’s website, not less than 48 hours in advance of the meeting. In addition, a copy of this notice is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

ROLL CALL

Councilman Bonker, here; Councilwoman Franco, here; Councilman Gallagher, here; Councilman Roseff, here; Mayor Rubenstein, here. Also present was Township Manager Joe Sabatini, Township Attorney Tom Collins, and Municipal Clerk Doris Flynn, and Deputy Municipal Clerk Cynthia Church

FLAG SALUTE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

RESOLUTION No. 175-2020 - 2020 CAPITAL BUDGET AMENDMENT RESOLUTION

Motion by Councilman Bonker, Second by Councilman Gallagher to adopt Resolution No. 175-2020

	Councilman Bonker	Councilwoman Franco	Councilman Gallagher	Councilman Roseff	Mayor Rubenstein
Motion	x				
2 nd			x		
Yes	x	x	x	x	x
No					
Abstain					
Absent					

Councilman Roseff asked for further explanation as it pertains to the the adoption of the resolution. Mayor Rubenstein said that this is a question of timing, and that there are upgrades that need to be made to the Townships software packages and hardware needed before the first of the year. Mayor Rubenstein explained that because of the expenditure there needs to be a first and second reading to the ordinance, and therefore the ordinance needs to be read today in order for it to on for a hearing at the November 2, 2020 meeting. Mayor Rubenstein explained in more detail that this is for the file server, and work to be done by the computer integrator. He explained that they decided to make the dollar amount higher than what is needed should they need it to provide technology for the Township Council. Councilman Roseff expressed his concern on the high cost that was presented for computers for the Township Council. Mayor Rubenstein said that they are looking into Chrome Books that could be as much as 1/3 of the cost of a laptop computer. Mayor Rubenstein said that this is not authorizing expenditure. The meeting for authorizing expenditure will be November 2, 2020.

ORDINANCE - Introduction / First Reading

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE A CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FOR TECHNOLOGY UPGRADES FOR THE TOWNSHIP TO PROVIDE FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$25,000.00

Purpose Statement: Technology Upgrades for the Township including a server for the administrative offices, software migration, workstations and all related costs incidental thereto fully funded by Capital Improvement Fund.

Motion by Councilwoman Franco, second by Councilman Gallagher to introduce the ordinance.

	Councilman Bonker	Councilwoman Franco	Councilman Gallagher	Councilman Roseff	Mayor Rubenstein
Motion		x			
2 nd			x		
Yes	x	x	x	x	x
No					
Abstain					
Absent					


BE IT RESOLVED, that said Ordinance shall be further considered for final passage at the meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Byram on the 2nd day of November, 2020 at 7:30 p.m., on an audio conference call using Zoom at which time and place a public hearing will be held thereon and all persons and citizens interested shall have an opportunity to be heard.


PUBLIC PARTICIPATION I– Meeting open to the public for comments on matters not on the agenda or items on the agenda for which no public discussion is provided. The Mayor instructed the audience how they can participate and opened to the public. Motion by Councilwoman Franco, second by Councilman Gallagher to open to the public.

No Comments.

Motion by Councilwoman Franco, second by Councilman Roseff to close to the public. All members were in favor. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT – Motion by Councilman Bonker, second by Councilman Gallagher to adjourn the Council meeting at 1:15 pm. All members in favor. Motion carried.


Cynthia Church, Deputy Municipal Clerk
Township Council Meeting Minutes


Alexander Rubenstein, Mayor
October 22, 2020