Rochester Borough Council

3 Rochester’s Informational Meeting in the Municipal Building

November 4, 2020, 5:30 p.m.

Present: Rochester Borough: President Benjamin Rader, Vice-President Marjorie White, Ron

 Becker, Marlin Robinson, Solicitor Bernie Rabik,

 Manager John Barrett

 East Rochester Borough: President John Drumm

 Rochester Township: Debbie Pfeifer, Gina Teams, Secretary Melissa Carpenter

Present – Via Zoom Link – Rochester Township – Vice-Chairman Mike Mamone

 PA DCED – Michael Foreman

The purpose of this informational meeting was to have Mr. Foreman, Governor’s Center for Local Government Services, discuss the various technical services and options the State offers to assist municipalities in reviewing and evaluating their services and to evaluate the possibility of merging/consolidating the 3 Rochester’s.

 Mr. Foreman stated that the first step would be for each municipality interested in participating to complete a Letter of Intent application to request technical assistance from the Governor’s Center for Local Government Services. In the Letter of Intent, the municipalities would select the areas in which technical assistance is needed. After the applications are submitted, Mr. Foreman would then develop a scope of work based on the technical assistance requested and then engage a peer consultant to provide the technical assistance identified in the scope of work. Mr. Foreman stated that the process generally takes 4 to 6 months to complete. However, with the current conditions, the peer consultant’s work would all be done virtually so there could be additional time needed.

 There was further discussion followed by a question and answer period. Mr. Foreman will email a Letter of Intent application to Manager Barrett who will forward a copy to each municipality.

The meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

 Submitted by,

 John M. Barrett

 Borough Manager