

## MILTON BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

November 8, 2017

The meeting was called to order with the following Councilpersons in attendance: Mr. Specht, Mr. Keiser, Mr. Cyphers, Ms. Fawess, Mr. Farr, Mr. Shearer, Mr. Walker, Mrs. Meckley, Mr. Budman, and Mr. Swartz. Also in attendance were Chuck Beck, Shelly Sandstrom, Sam Shaffer, Mayor Nelson, and Chief Zettlemoyer. Mr. Diehl was absent.

Minutes: On motion of Mr. Cyphers, seconded by Mr. Walker and carried, Council approved the minutes from the October 25, 2017 Council meeting. Mrs. Meckley abstained.

Report of the Borough Manager: Mr. Beck had no report.

Report of the Mayor: Mayor Nelson stated that he is happy to be back and is feeling well.

Report of the President of Council: President Budman congratulated the Council persons on the recent election – all persons running will remain on Council.

Report of Chief of Police: Chief Zettlemoyer reported that the Trials to Treats was very successful this year and thanked the Borough and the Fire Department for participating. Officer Dennis Derr received an award from Northumberland County for the Juvenile Justice Advisory Board Officer of the year. The department recently apprehended a robbery suspect.

Report of Public Works Director: Sam Shaffer reported that leaf pick-up continues throughout the Borough until the first significant snow fall. The new leaf machine has been delivered. The Public Works Crew continues right-of-way clearing.

Report of the Fire Chief: Chief Stump reported that between the Trails to Treats and the open house at the Fire Station the Department handed out over 1,200 glow bracelets despite having back to back calls on Halloween night. Since the last meeting the Department has responded to 16 alarms. On average, he stated it took the department volunteers 2 minutes and 13 seconds to respond to the calls. President Budman asked if Council could receive their reports. Joe will e-mail them to Shelly for distribution to Council.

Public Comments: No public comments.

### Highways and Protection to Persons and Property:

- A. On motion of Mr. Swartz, seconded by Mrs. Meckley and carried, Council authorized the Borough Manager to enter into an agreement with Northumberland County for snow removal from County-owned bridges within the Borough in the amount of \$1,660.00.

### General Government and Recreation:

- A. Mr. Walker addressed Council that upon review and discussion, the Committee is recommending a 90-day parking regulation trial for Sycamore Lane and Old Orchard Road. The trial period calls for no parking on the corner sides of Sycamore Lane to King Street between 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday through Friday on Sycamore Lane from King Street to Old Orchard.

On the corner sides of Sycamore Lane and Old Orchard Road, beginning at the first driveway on both streets; on the north corner side of Old Orchard beginning at the first driveway west of Sycamore Lane; on the south side of Old Orchard Road; and on the north side of Old Orchard Road from Sycamore Lane to the eastern borough limit. Mr. Farr stated that the time limits for a portion of the parking bad are for the safety of the students walking home from school. Michael Mollica, Sycamore Lane resident, presented his own proposal for regulating traffic on the street to Council. Among his proposals, Mr. Mollica asked Council to install stop signs along the two streets to help reduce speeding on the street. Mr. Beck responded that federal guidelines suggest that adding stop signs on a street do not help to control speeding. At the end of the 90-day trial period, Mr. Walker said Council could pass an Ordinance to implement the parking regulations. The committee felt the trial period was prudent in order to iron out any changes that may need to be made. On motion of Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Farr and carried, Council authorized this 90-day trial period as outlined.

#### Finance, Health and Sanitation

- A. On motion of Mr. Shearer, seconded by Mr. Cyphers and carried, Council authorized the Borough Manager to purchase a 2017 E-450 Life Line Type 111 Custom Superliner ambulance for the amount of \$194,156.49. Mr. Beck also asked Council for permission to advertise and sell the 2009 ambulance and deposit the funds into the Milton Fire Department Capital Equipment Fund. On motion of Mrs. Meckley, seconded by Mr. Shearer and carried, Council authorized Mr. Beck to do so as outlined.
- B. On motion of Mr. Shearer, seconded by Mr. Cyphers and carried, Council approved the first reading of the 2018 budget as outlined by Mr. Shearer.
- C. On motion of Mr. Shearer, seconded by Ms. Fawess and carried, Council approved paying the bills from General Fund, Reserve, Payroll, Community Pool and Cemetery accounts in the amount of \$110,990.62.

Mr. Keiser made a motion for an increase in pay for Council members. The motion died due to a lack of second. President Budman responded that this increase is not in the 2018 budget.

There being no further business, on motion of Mr. Shearer, seconded by Mr. Walker, and carried, Council adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Shelly Sandstrom  
Secretary/Treasurer