MILTON BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

June 22, 2016

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

Minutes: On motion of Mrs. Meckley, seconded by Mr. Walker and carried, Council approved the minutes from the June 8, 2016 Council meeting.

Report of the Borough Manager: Mr. Beck informed Council that on June 10, 2016 there was an accident at the corner of Bound Ave. and Broadway. The accident involved a delivery truck hitting and knocking down one of the new street light standards and also hitting the mirror on a Borough owned pick-up truck. The damage was $6350.00 for replacing the light standard and $619.00 for replacing the mirror on the pick-up truck. He has spoken to the insurance agent for the delivery company and all the materials have been ordered and will be paid for by their insurance. The delivery time on the light standard is 10 to 12 weeks.

There also is a tree that died on the corner of Bound Ave. and Broadway, which is not due to the accident that is under warranty. Mr. Beck has called the contractor and the tree will be replaced.

Attached to his report is a copy of an article that will be published in the Northumberland County Conservation District’s quarterly newsletter in August 2016. This is great publicity for the Brown Avenue Sports Complex.

At the June 16, 2016 Milton Regional Sewer Authority (MRSA) meeting, the Board voted unanimously, with the exception of Mr. Beck abstaining, to request that Milton Borough Council authorize the transfer of three MRSA employees and their assets from the Milton Borough Defined Benefit Pension Plan to the MRSA Defined benefit Pension Plan. Mr. Beck stated that he would not recommend this action until I had it reviewed by the Borough’s Actuary to see what impact it may have on the Borough’s future MMO’S. Mr. Beck spoke to our Actuary and they are currently reviewing the request. He will have a recommendation for Council at the July 13, 2016 council meeting.

At previous meeting Mr. Beck informed Council there was a possibility that the Swim Team Championship Swim meet may be held at the Milton Community Pool. It has been confirmed that the meet will be held on Saturday July 30, 2016 with July 31, 2016 as the rain date. This event is expected to draw up to 1000 people with contestants and spectators. The swim team coaches are making the necessary arrangements to accommodate the event. This is a great opportunity to showcase the Brown Avenue Sports Complex along with the recreational opportunities available to the public. The pool will not be opened for the public to swim during the swim meet; however it will be open for spectators, free of charge.

Report of the Mayor: Mayor Nelson had no report.

Report of the President of Council: President Budman had no report.

Report of the Chief of Police: Chief Zettlemoyer informed Council that they recently stopped a car with a young girl under the influence. Because of this the Department is taking a stronger stand on their efforts to eliminate drugs in the Borough. He asked Council to speak to people in their ward about this problem and let the Police Department know of any suspicious activity.
Report of the Public Works Director: Sam Shaffer reported that grass cutting is on-going throughout the Borough. Ten footers have been installed for new head stones in the cemeteries. Work continues at the Public Works Building.

Report of the Fire Chief: Joe Lupo reported that the Fire Department has had 9 calls since the last meeting with 30 hours of training this month. The Department had one new member this month. He also reported that they will be holding a training day at the Trinity Lutheran Church.

Public Comments: There were no public comments.

Highways and Protection to Persons and Property:

A. On motion of Mr. Swartz, seconded by Mrs. Meckley and carried, council approved a request from the Milton YMCA to hold the 23rd Annual Spring Fling and One Mile Walk/Run on July 16, 2016.

B. On motion of Mr. Swartz, seconded by Mrs. Meckley and carried, Council approved a request from the Borough of Lewisburg to utilize the Milton Fire Police for their National Night Out on August 2, 2016.

C. On motion of Mr. Swartz, seconded by Mrs. Meckley and carried, Council approved a request from the Borough of Mifflinburg to utilize the Milton Fire Police for their carnival and parade pending receipt of a letter signed by a Borough Official.

General Government and Recreation:

A. On motion of Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Specht and carried, Council adopted Resolution #16-03 regarding a handicapped parking space on Hepburn Street.

B. On motion of Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Specht and carried, Council authorized Attorney Benion to advertise for a Public Hearing regarding the Floodplain Ordinance.

C. On motion of Mr. Walker, seconded by Mrs. Meckley and carried, Council authorized Attorney Benion to prepare and advertise the Floodplain Ordinance.

D. Research the feasibility of a Main Street Manager.

Finance, Health and Sanitation:

A. On motion of Mr. Shearer, seconded by Mr. Cyphers and carried, Council awarded the bid for paving the Public Works Department facility to Fairchild Brothers, Inc. in the amount of $98,942.00.

B. On motion of Mr. Shearer, seconded by Mr. Cyphers and carried, Council approved paying the bills from General Fund, Reserve, Payroll, Community Pool, Liquid Fuels, and Cemetery accounts in the amount of $127,676.11.

There being no further business, on motion of Mr. Walker, seconded by Mrs. Meckley and carried, Council adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Shelly Sandstrom
Borough Secretary/Treasurer