MILTON BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

August 8, 2018

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

<u>Minutes:</u> On motion of Mrs. Meckley, seconded by Mr. Cyphers and carried, Council approved the minutes from the July 25, 2018 Council meeting. Mr. Farr and Mr. Walker abstained.

Report of the Borough Manager: Mr. Beck reported that the Front Street Project is proceeding on schedule. We have lost some days due to weather and the delivery of the light standards. The remaining work to be completed consists of installation of light standards, parking meters, signage, and trees.

Next Mr. Beck reported that we have received the Liquid Fuels Audit for the 2017 Calendar year and there were no findings and no recommendations for internal control improvements.

Mr. Beck stated that the \$2.8 million dollar Multi-modal Grant has been received by the PA Department of Community and Economic Development. We received letters of support from Lynda Culver, Senator Gordner, Watsontown Trucking and the Chamber of Commerce.

Report of the Mayor: Mayor Nelson congratulated Ron Keiser for his 56 years of service with the Fire Police and thanked him for his years of service. Council applauded Mr. Keiser for his years of service as well.

Report of the President of Council: President Budman was absent.

Report of Chief of Police: Chief Zettlemoyer was absent but Officer Lehman reported that the Chief is expected to return to week within the next few weeks due to surgery.

<u>Report of Public Works Director:</u> Sam Shaffer reported that the Department has been trimming trees but the weather has stopped that temporarily. Brown Avenue has had minor damage. The playgrounds are taped off for no use as the water has made them unsafe. The Department continues with storm water work.

Report of the Fire Chief: Chief Stump also thanked Ron Keiser for his years of service with the Fire Police. Joe informed Council that the Fire Department has been awarded a \$207,800 grant from FEMA which is more than was anticipated. Joe thanked Mr. Beck for his assistance with this. Since the last meeting, the Department has responded to 13 incidents totaling 156 manhours.

<u>Public Comments:</u> TeaJay Aikey from the Chamber of Commerce addressed Council thanking them for their KOZ approval. The Northumberland County Commissioners voted yesterday approving this as well. She informed Council that her final approval needed was from the School Board and their meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 14, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. She asked any Council members that could attend to support this if possible.

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 Borough Lighting Committee to change their name to the Milton Borough Winter Fest Committee.
- B. On motion of Mr. Swartz, seconded by Mrs. Meckley and carried, Council approved a request from the Milton Rotary Club to hold the Milton Harvest Festival Bike Race on Saturday, September 8, 2018.
- C. On motion of Mr. Swartz, seconded by Mr. Specht and carried, Council approved a request from the Milton Harvest Festival Committee to hold their events as outlined in their letter.

General Government and Recreation:

- A. On motion of Mr. Cyphers, seconded by Mr. Walker and carried, Council approved the Professional & Administrative Services Agreement for the CRS Program with SEDA-COG and authorized signature of the agreement. Mr. Shearer thanked Doug Diehl for all of his work with the CRS Program and his responsibilities as Code Enforcement Officer.
- B. On motion of Mr. Cyphers, seconded by Mr. Walker and carried, Council appointed SEDA-COG as Milton Borough's Community CRS Coordinator. Terri Provost from SEDA-COG who was in attendance stated that her Borough contact will be Doug Diehl.
- C. On motion of Mr. Cyphers, seconded by Mr. Walker and carried, Council authorized Attorney Benion to prepare and advertise an Ordinance to amend Ordinance #1158 which is the non-uniformed bargaining employees retirement plan and trust of the Borough of Milton.

Finance, Health and Sanitation

- A. On motion of Mrs. Meckley, seconded by Mr. Specht and carried, Council approved the 2019 MMO's for the Borough's Pension Plans.
- B. On motion of Mrs. Meckley, seconded by Mr. Specht and carried, Council approved paying the bills from General Fund, Reserve, Payroll, Community Pool and Cemetery accounts in the amount of \$4,104,671.77. Mr. Beck advised Council that the reason for this high amount is that the Weis RCAP Grant was run through the Borough's Reserve Account.

At this time, 7:29 p.m., Vice-President Shearer entered into an Executive Session to discuss administrative personnel matters and Police personnel issues. Council will not reconvene.

There being no further business, on motion of Mrs. Meckley, seconded by Mr. Cyphers, and carried, Council adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Shelly Sandstrom Secretary/Treasurer