

Borough Council Meeting Minutes

July 12, 2023

Meeting called to order by President Walker at 7:00 PM.

Attendance: President Walker, Mr. Robol, Mrs. Meckley, Mrs. Mabus, Mr. Derr, Mr. J Pfeil, Mr. D Pfeil, Mr. Swartz, and Mr. Moralez (Mayor Aber and Ms. Fawess were absent). Also present: Jess Novinger, Brittnee Vann, Amy Day, Sam Shaffer, Seth Heddings, Chief Zettlemyer, and Atty Wiley.

Motion to approve the meeting minutes from June 28, 2023: **1st Swartz / 2nd S. Derr / Carried**
(D Pfeil Abstained)

Borough Manager's Report

- Marsh Rd Project is on-going with many challenges. The third Multi-Modal CFA grant was not awarded to the Borough; however, we have prepared an application for the Transportation Alternative Set-Aside (TASA) grant with a request of \$500,000 and are requesting consideration from the Council to allow submission of that application. No match is required, and the draft is due by July 21, 2023. **1st Meckley / 2nd D. Pfeil / Carried**
- Navigation of the PennDOT Highway Beautification Management System is finally available. This will allow the Borough to address the need to renew our "Welcome to Milton" signs. The DPW removed (2) signs: (1) at the bridge as PennDOT has a 115-foot R.O.W. that would not accommodate the sign, and (1) on N. Front St where the sign was located in Turbot Twp. We have been able to work with the Northumberland County Housing Authority, and Lisa Mattern of the community who are open to allowing us to place signs on their property. The remaining (3) Borough signs have the necessary paperwork and photographs in place with the PennDOT district 3-0 office.
- Contract negotiations with Teamsters are scheduled, and two meetings with the MPOA have been good.
- July 25th the Borough will have its annual Risk Improvement visit from East Coast Risk Management, which is part of the overall insurance package and evaluation through EMC.
- *Special Note:* the CAT backhoe and attachments were paid in full through the reserve account at \$164,988.00. This will be reimbursed by the Local Share grant that was received – reimbursement has already been sent to DCED.

Mayor's Report

- Nothing to report

President's Report

- Thoughts and prayers go to Ms. Fawess as she continues her healing process

Chief of Police's Report

- Dodge Durango that was previously damaged is up and running
- Jerry, our Co-Responder has officially started working with the PD. He will attend the next meeting

Public Works Director's Report

- Special brush pick-up was scheduled for this week due to the storm
- Approximately 210' of sanitary storm sewer was replaced on Brown Ave that collapsed, and (3) storm drains need to be replaced before paving can be scheduled
- Street sweeping will begin next week or the following
- Brown Ave park clean-up is moving along successfully
 - D Pfeil asked about getting in contact with UGI to have cold patch added in areas that have settled since replacing some gas mains

Fire Chief's Report

- 13 Calls for Service, 8 EMS calls, and 74 MICU
- YTD: 237 Calls for Service, 217 EMS calls (including 20 working fires), and 1323 MICU
- During the month of July there will be joint training exercises with Warrior Run FD focusing on grain bin and silo rescues

Public Comments

- Meghan Beck – co-owner of the shoe factory wanted to thank the first responders as well as apologize to them for the call outs caused by the sprinkler system that continued to go off. She would also like to Council to consider revising the "Noise Ordinance" for her events so attendees could stay until 12:00 AM rather than 10:00 or 11:00 PM.

Public Works and Cemeteries

- Nothing to report

Public Safety

- *Motion* to approve Jack Abramson's Memorial Basketball Clinic to be held August 5, 2023, with a rain date of August 12, 2023, at the Brown Avenue Park: **1st D Pfeil / 2nd Swartz / Carried**
- *Motion* to approve closing Elm Street on Saturday, July 22, for DIG's grant opening / open house event from 11:00 AM to 10:00 PM: **1st D Pfeil / 2nd Derr / Carried**

General Government and Finance

- *Motion* to terminate work with Peter's Consultants for CDBG curb cuts:

1st Meckley / 2nd Derr / Carried

- *Motion* to approve the purchase of audio equipment from Compu-Gen:

1st Meckley / 2nd Moralez / Carried

- *Motion* to pay the bills from General Fund, Reserve, Payroll, and Cemetery accounts in the amount of \$153,087.85:

1st Meckley / 2nd Moralez / Carried

Final Comments

- None

Motion to adjourn at **7:20 PM**

1st D Pfeil / 2nd Moralez / Carried

Submitted By:



Brittnee Vann
Secretary / Treasurer