

MILTON BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

June 28, 2017

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

Minutes: On motion of Mr. Cyphers, seconded by Ms. Fawess and carried, Council approved the minutes from the June 7, 2017 Council meeting. Mrs. Meckley and Mr. Walker abstained.

Report of the Borough Manager: Mr. Beck reported that he would not be at the next Council meeting due to a vacation. Next Mr. Beck reported that 18 of the 21 streets have been paved. Green, Sycamore, and Old Orchard still need to be paved.

Report of the Mayor: Mayor Nelson had no report.

Report of the President of Council: Mr. Budman stated that this has been an amazing past week with the Bicentennial events. From the planning to organization and execution all events were flawless and he commended John Meckley for chairing the events and all of the volunteers that assisted.

Report of Chief of Police: Chief Zettlemoyer reported that the department assisted with the Bicentennial events and are now preparing for the Harvest Festival. The department has responded to many calls since the last Council meeting.

Report of Public Works Director: Sam Shaffer reported that the Public Works Department has rebuilt or replaced 47 storm drains for the paving project and installed 42 feet of new storm water pipe. They also swept all streets in the Borough, power washed Lincoln Park and the Mini Park, along with all pavilions at Brown Avenue Park. They installed 10 footers for new headstones in the cemeteries. Grass mowing continues. Sam stated that the new employee at the Recycling Center is working out great. His department will do a brush pick up next week due to the recent storm damage.

Report of the Fire Chief: Joe Stump reported that the Fire Department participated in many of the Bicentennial events. There have been two building fires recently – one a garage fire at Park Avenue and Broadway News. Since the last meeting, they have responded to 17 incidents.

At this time, 7:08 p.m., President Budman opened a Public Hearing regarding the Wireless Communication Facilities Ordinance. Attorney Benion outlined the ordinance additions sections pertaining to the location, placement, construction, maintenance, and regulations of communication antennas, towers, and equipment within the public rights-of-way and outside the public rights-of-way of the Borough. There were no public comments and no comments from Council. President Budman closed the Public Hearing at 7:10 p.m.

Next, at 7:10 p.m., President Budman opened a Public Hearing regarding the Mahoning Street Zoning District Amendment Ordinance. Attorney Benion outlined this ordinance which changes the zoning of certain properties along both sides of Mahoning Street to a C commercial Zone amending Appendix A, Table of Uses, amending the lot, yard and open space requirements in certain zoned districts and amending the schedule of uses and structures in certain zone districts. There were no public comments and no comments from Council. President Budman closed the Public Hearing at 7:12 p.m.

Bill Seigel and Terry Provost from SEDA-COG addressed Council regarding the SEDA-COG Flood Resiliency Project. This endeavor will result in the development of a self-help assessment tool for river communities to help define and design flood resiliency strategies and to better implement those strategies. The increase in community awareness and impact history will provide the community with appropriate floor resiliency options in the context of changing insurance paradigms. After outlining the proposed project, explaining the floodplain community survey, a public meeting to be held at the Borough to inform residents, and establish task force groups there was some discussion regarding the project. This is a free program to the Borough due to grant funding that SEDA-COG received. On motion of Mrs. Meckley, seconded by Mr. Swartz and carried, Council approved SEDA-COG to move forward with this project.

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 Borough of Lewisburg to utilize the Milton Fire Police for the National Night Out on Tuesday, August 1, 2017.
- B. 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 from July 25th – July 29th, 2017.
- C. On motion of Mr. Swartz, seconded by Mrs. Meckley and carried, Council approved Karinda Trapane as a Trainee Driver for the Milton Fire Department.

General Government and Recreation:

- A. On motion of Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Farr and carried, Council authorized Attorney Benion to advertise the amendment to the Zoning Ordinance pertaining to Wireless Communication Facilities.
- B. On motion of Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Specht and carried, Council authorized Attorney Benion to advertise the Mahoning Street Zoning District Amendment Ordinance.

Finance, Health and Sanitation

- A. On motion of Mr. Shearer, seconded by Mr. Cyphers and carried, Council approved paying the bills from General Fund, Reserve, Payroll, Community Pool and Cemetery accounts in the amount of \$149,239.26.

There being no further business, on motion of Mrs. Meckley, seconded by Mr. Shearer, Council adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Shelly Sandstrom
Secretary/Treasurer