

MILTON BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

September 26, 2018

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

Minutes: On motion of Mr. Cyphers, seconded by Mr. Keiser and carried, Council approved the minutes from the September 12, 2018 Council meeting. Mr. Shearer abstained.

Report of the Borough Manager: Mrs. Cyphers reported that tomorrow at 10 a.m. we will be holding a Siren Test. We are taking this opportunity to train Police and Fire Departments on how to operate this system. Keystone Communications which handles our alert sirens will be providing a quote for preventative maintenance on the two alert systems we have.

Authorization to purchase of 4 meters for downtown area has been given. This is to replace the current two "free parking" spots and to hold two meters in reserve. The cost will estimate about \$3,300 for replacement.

Next, Mrs. Cyphers informed Council that our website update is just about complete; we look forward to providing a roll out of the new site at your next Council Meeting October 10th.

Negotiations for a Pool Manager are wrapping up and we will have a contract for approval for the next council meeting.

Brush and Leaf pick up will start October 22nd. Brush will only be for one week and leaf will continue until the first snowfall.

With regard to the Front Street Project, the electricians are working on a wiring issue which has left the last 6 lights on Front Street inoperable. You will soon see the planting of the trees as this is to be completed by October 15th.

Our insurance company has informed us they will cover the costs of the Lincoln Street Storm water repair; due to PP&L drilling through the pipe. There will be no deductible on behalf of the Borough.

Next, Mrs. Cyphers requested Council's permission to purchase a 2012 Double Drum Roller for Public Works Department, from Bradco Supply Company, not to exceed price of \$20,000. We have received three quotes and Bradco is the lowest quote. On motion of Mrs. Meckley, seconded by Mr. Swartz and carried, Council approved this request. The funds will come from the Reserve Account.

Report of the Mayor: Mayor Nelson was absent.

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

Report of Chief of Police: Chief Zettlemoyer was absent. Officer Gaugler was in attendance and reported that they have apprehended the suspects in the recent robbery at the Credit Union. He thanked the surrounding agencies that helped with this.

Report of Public Works Director: Sam Shaffer reported that the Department continues with storm water work. Paving is complete in the 5th Ward. The Department also seal coated the basketball court at Lincoln Park. Brush and leaf pick up will begin the week of October 22nd.

Report of the Fire Chief: Chief Stump reported that the Department continues to have an EMT at the Panther Cub and High School football games. Since the last meeting, they have responded to 11 emergencies which included 74 man hours. He then congratulated Mr. Beck on his retirement and thanked him for all of his help through the years.

Public Comments: There were no public comments.

Highways and Protection to Persons and Property:

- A. On motion of Mr. Swartz, seconded by Mr. Farr and carried, Council approved a request from Parent to Parent connections to host their "Unity Day" at Lincoln Park on Wednesday, October 24th from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
- B. On motion of Mr. Swartz, seconded by Mr. Farr and carried, Council approved a request to adopt Resolution #18-04 to name an unnamed alley in the 5th ward "Chuck Beck Lane". Attorney Benion wished Mr. Beck good luck with his retirement and stated that he is the best Borough Manager he has ever worked for in any municipality. Council applauded Mr. Beck.

General Government and Recreation:

- A. On motion of Mr. Cyphers, seconded by Mr. Farr and carried, Council re-appointed Chuck Beck as the Borough of Milton's representative on the Milton Regional Sewer Authority Board for a five-year term.
- B. On motion of Mr. Cyphers, seconded by Mrs. Meckley and carried, Council authorized Attorney Benion to draft an Ordinance closing a section of an unnamed alley in the 4th Ward and advertise for a Public Hearing. Mr. Shearer abstained.
- C. On motion of Mr. Cyphers, seconded by Mr. Specht and carried Council adopted Resolution #18-05 appointing primary emergency service providers for the Borough of Milton.

Finance, Health and Sanitation

- A. On motion of Mrs. Meckley, seconded by Mr. Specht and carried, Council adopted Resolution #18-06 authorizing a Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant in the amount of \$2,800,000 for the Borough of Milton for the reconstruction of Marsh Road.
- 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 \$135,615.76.

Mr. Farr spoke to Mr. Beck thanking him for his many years of service and all he has done for the community. He also stated that Mr. Beck has helped him very much personally and helped him make better decisions. Mr. Beck thanked Mr. Farr and everyone stating that their words mean a great deal to him.

There being no further business, on motion of Mr. Cyphers, seconded by Mrs. Meckley and carried, Council adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Shelly Sandstrom
Secretary/Treasurer