MILTON BOROUGH COUNCIL (Hybrid Meeting)

April 10, 2024 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by President Walker. The following Councilpersons were in attendance: Mr. Moralez, Mrs. Meckley, Ms. Fawess, Mrs. Mabus, Mr. Derr, Mr. Scheimreif, Mr. Swartz, Mr. Pfeil, and Mr. Robol. Also, in attendance were Jessie Novinger, Jennifer Lamoreaux, Sam Shaffer, Chief Zettlemoyer, Christian Wachter, Doug Diehl, and Atty Wiley. Absent from the meeting was: Mayor Aber.

<u>Minutes:</u> On motion of Mr. Moralez, seconded by Mr. Pfeil, and carried, Council approved the minutes from the March 27, 2024, Council meeting.

<u>Report of the Borough Manager</u>: Mrs. Novinger advised Council that the Borough was awarded the Susquehanna Greenway Partnership's mini grant for three (3) new gateway Welcome to Milton signs along the Front St (Susquehanna River) corridor.

Mrs. Novinger asked Council's consideration to allow the Borough to apply to the DCED ARPA Facilities grant program for facility updates to the Borough's Administrative, Police Department, and Public Works buildings. She advised the updates are to include energy efficiencies, address safety and security concerns, and electrical and IT modernization. The application is due April 20th and does not require a match.

• On motion from Mr. Moralez, seconded by Mr. Pfeil, and carried, Council approved this request.

Mrs. Novinger then asked for Council's consideration to amend the agenda this evening to include a motion to have Big Rock Paving complete 6" paving repairs* on Highland Ave for a not to exceed cost of \$3,780.00, while doing the restoration pave required due to a UGI gas project.

• On motion from Mr. Moralez, seconded by Mr. Pfeil, and carried, Council approved this request.

As a final update, Mrs. Novinger advised that the new Durango should be picked up for upfitting within the next week and a half. Some of the items needed were delayed in shipping.

Report of the Mayor: The Mayor was absent from the meeting.

Report of the President of Council: No Report.

<u>Report of Chief of Police:</u> Chief Zettlemoyer reiterated that the Durango should be picked up for upfitting in the next week. Some of the parts are not in yet from one of the vendors. He also introduced Christian Wachter as the new full time police officer in the Borough. He advised he will be on third shift once trained. He then invited Christian to introduce himself and give Council some background information. Christian expressed his thanks to Council for the opportunity and stated that he has always wanted to work for a local police department.

<u>Report of Public Works Director:</u> Mr. Shaffer reported that the plows and spreaders have been put away for the new season. Once the weather permits, the crew will start to mulch and clean up the park areas. All the casual mowers except for one are returning, so DPW should be good moving forward with mowers. The Crew has completed all they can at the Fifth St canal. Once the land dries a little more, they will return with more equipment to continue the cleanup. They will start work on the municipal lot across the street removing the cobblestone and replacing it with millings.

<u>Report of the Fire Chief:</u> President Walker read the Fire Department report as: So far for the month of April the fire department has responded to 5 fire and rescue calls, the volunteer QRS has responded to 5 calls for service. MICU 15 has responded to 71 incidents.

Public Comments: No Comments

At this time, 7:11, President Walker opened a public hearing for CDBG. The hearing closed at 7:27pm as there were no public comments.

Public Works and Cemeteries: No Comments

Public Safety:

- Consideration to approve a request from The Salvation Army to hold a Block Party on Friday, June 14, 2024, from 5-8pm. They would like to close Center St from Bound Ave to Elm St. They would also like to block off a portion of the Municipal parking lot for an inflatable obstacle course.
 - On motion from Mr. Moralez, seconded by Mrs. Mabus, and carried, Council approved the request.

General Government and Finance:

- Consideration to approve Land Development plan as submitted by Patton and Mid-Penn for an addition to Building 3.
 - On motion from Ms. Fawess, seconded by Mr. Pfeil, and carried, Council approved this request.
- Consideration to have Big Rock Paving complete 6" base repairs on Highland Ave for a not to exceed cost of \$3,780.00, while doing the restoration paving required due to a UGI gas project.
 - On motion from Ms. Fawess, seconded by Mrs. Meckley, and carried, Council approved this request.
 - Consideration to approve paying the bills in the amount of \$122,502.43.
 - On motion from Ms. Fawess, seconded by Mrs. Mabus, and carried, Council approved this request.

At this time, 7:30 p.m., motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Pfeil, seconded by Mr. Moralez, Council adjourned.

Submitted By:

Jennifer Lamoreaux Borough Secretary/Treasurer

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