

MILTON BOROUGH COUNCIL
(Hybrid Meeting)

March 22, 2023
7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by President Walker. The following Councilpersons were present: Mr. Walker, Mr. Derr, Mr. Moralez, Mrs. Mabus, Mr. Dale Pfeil, Ms. Fawess, Mrs. Meckley, Mr. Swartz, Mr. Robol, and Mr. John Pfeil. Also in attendance were Jess Novinger, Shelly Sandstrom, Solicitor Wiley, Doug Diehl, and Sam Shaffer. Mayor Aber and Chief Zettlemoyer were absent.

Minutes: On motion of Mr. Dale Pfeil, seconded by Mr. Derr and carried, Council approved the minutes from the March 8, 2023, Council meeting.

Report of the Borough Manager: Mrs. Novinger stated that at the last Council meeting, she asked for Council's consideration to purchase a 2024 F-650 Dump Truck for a not-to-exceed price of \$125,428.00. The following day when ordering the truck, we were told it was no longer available. After much research and calling many dealerships, we are unable to locate another F-650 at this time. She asked for Council's consideration to allow her to purchase a 2023 F-550 T-Tag Truck, fully upfitted with V-plow and salt spreader for a not-to-exceed price of \$107,743.30. This is COSTAR pricing and confirmed available. On motion of Mrs. Meckley, seconded by Mr. Dale Pfeil and carried, Council approved this purchase.

Next, she informed Council that she and Chief Zettlemoyer will begin interviews for the CDBG-CV Social Worker or Co-Responder position on Tuesday, March 28th. We have received eight (8) applications so far, but the position is still open on Indeed.

She has received correspondence from the Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA) regarding the Borough's Local Share Grant applications for both the garbage receptacles downtown and throughout the parks, as well as the application for a new bucket truck and backhoe for use in the Department of Public Works. In total, the Borough requested \$311,080.13. The Borough was awarded \$165,000 for a new backhoe as there was strong competition for funds.

The Borough and the Milton Police Officer's Association (MPOA) had its first collective bargaining negotiation meeting on March 16th. The meeting was productive, and we plan to meet again in mid-April.

She then stated that at the February 22nd Council meeting, she mentioned that the KMIT annual meeting would be immediately following the PSAB Conference in June at Hershey. However, plans have changed and the KMIT Trustees have decided that the annual meeting will now be in conjunction with the Association of Pennsylvania Municipal Management (APMM) Conference in Pittsburgh on Monday, May 22nd. All travel expenses (hotel, mileage, etc.) are reimbursed by KMIT. I do not plan to attend the APMM conference as there is no information about the programs being offered.

Report of the Mayor: Mayor Aber was absent.

Report of the President of Council: President Walker stated that Little League season has started. He encouraged everyone to watch the games if possible and also said to slow down in the parks.

Report of Chief of Police: Chief Zettlemoyer was absent.

Report of Public Works Director: Sam Shaffer reported that the crew has finished cleaning up flood debris by the river for now. They have also been working on berms on Golf Course Road and working on the cemeteries. They will be deciding on a date for Spring Clean-up soon.

Report of the Fire Chief: President Walker reported that the number of calls were 22 fire calls, 32 for the QRS, and 148 for the mic unit. He also reminded everyone of the Palm Sunday Ham Dinner at the Fire Station on April 2nd from 11 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Public Comments: There were no public comments.

Public Works and Cemeteries: No report.

Public Safety: No report.

General Government and Finance:

- A. On motion of Ms. Fawess, seconded by Mr. John Pfeil and carried, Council adopted Ordinance #1244 pertaining to the Quality-of-Life Ticketing Procedures Repealing and Replacing Ordinance #1235.
- B. On motion of Ms. Fawess, seconded by Mrs. Meckley and carried, Council adopted the 2015 Edition of the International Property Maintenance Code Ordinance #1245.
- C. On motion of Mrs. Fawess, seconded by Mr. Dale Pfeil and carried, Council adopted Ordinance #1246 setting forth enforcement proceedings of penalties for violations of all Borough Ordinances enacted after the date of this Ordinance with a minimum of \$50.00 for the fine.
- D. On motion of Ms. Fawess, seconded by Mr. John Pfeil and carried, Council adopted Ordinance #1247 regarding the keeping of animals in the Borough.
- E. On motion of Ms. Fawess, seconded by Mrs. Meckley and carried, Council approved amending this agenda to add a request to be considered.
- F. On motion of Ms. Fawess, seconded by Mr. John Pfeil and carried, Council approved the Borough Manager entering into a contract for professional engineering services with Livic Civil to provide the Borough with engineering data, estimates, and guidance required for the ARLE and/or Green Light Go grant application(s) that the Borough intends to seek at a not-to-exceed cost of \$6,840.00 to modernize traffic signals/intersections.
- G. On motion of Ms. Fawess, seconded by Mrs. Meckley and carried, Council approved paying the bills from General Fund, Payroll, and Cemetery accounts in the amount of \$170,411.15.

President Walker asked Council to give thought to the community pool and this will be discussed at one of the next two meetings.

There being no further questions or business, on motion of Mr. Dale Pfeil, seconded by Mr. Derr and carried, Council adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Shelly Sandstrom
Secretary/Treasurer