

## **June 13, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Council of the Borough of Minersville was held June 13, 2017 in the Council Chambers, North Delaware Avenue and East Carbon Street. Mr. Angelo opened the meeting with The Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Attendance:**

The following Council members attended the June 2017 meeting: Mr. William Angelo, Council President; Ms. Katielynn Milbrandt, Mrs. Jennifer Beach, Mr. Paul Vuksta, Mr. Jamie Kuehn, Mr. Ian Mahal; Mackenzie Cullen, Junior Council; Rebecca Daukaus, Junior Council; Mayor Joseph Post; Solicitor Albert Evans, Robert Mahalchick, Borough Manager; Police Chief Combs and Kyle Crouse Code Enforcement Officer. Six Council members were present which created a quorum.

Mayor Post swore in John Zimmerman and Deb Reppert as Fire Police.

Mr. Vuksta made a motion approving the May meeting Minutes. Ms. Milbrandt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Kuehn made a motion, second by Mrs. Beach to approve the Officers Reports. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Kuehn made a motion to approve the bills as presented. Ms. Milbrandt seconded the motion. The motion passed as presented.

### **Citizens' Comments:**

Monica Raczka, 622 Baker Street asked when grass cutting would be done. Mr. Vuksta replied that the Street Workers are working as fast as they can on weeds.

### **Communications:**

Mr. Vuksta made a motion, second by Ms. Milbrandt to deny the request of Mr. D's apartments to use dumpsters instead of garbage pick-up. This is not allowed in the Borough. The motion passed as presented. Mr. Kuehn asked that a letter be sent to Mr. D's informing them of the decision.

Mr. Vuksta made a motion to approve the request of MAYSC for field use on the condition they maintain the field when they are using it and clean up after the use. The use of the Pavilion on Saturdays is also a condition of use of the field. Mr. Mahal seconded the motion. The motion passed as presented.

Mr. Vuksta made a motion to approve the request of the Minersville Little League to extend game times during All Star Week, stressing that all vehicles must be legally parked. The motion passed as presented.

Mr. Vuksta made a motion, second by Ms. Milbrandt to grant the Mountaineer Hose Company's request to hold a Boot Drive on July 7 from 4:30pm to 7pm. The motion passed as presented.

Mr. Mahal made a motion, second by Mr. Kuehn to adopt revisions to the CDBG Housing Rehabilitation Policy for Boroughs Housing Rehabilitation Program. The motion passed as presented.

**Old Business:**

Mr. Vuksta made a motion, second by Mr. Kuehn to accept the paving bids. The motion passed as presented.

Mr. Kuehn made a motion to refer the paving bids to the Street Committee to review references for the low bid. Mr. Mahal seconded the motion. The motion passed as presented.

Mr. Vuksta made a motion, second by Mrs. Beach to authorize Mr. Mahalchick to seek quotes on paving the entire Municipal Lot during the South Street Project. The motion passed as presented. The project is scheduled to begin July 3<sup>rd</sup> and is estimated to be a three-week project. Neighbors will be informed of no parking times.

The Council went into Executive Session at 7:25 for Personnel Issues.

The Council returned from Executive Session at 7:50.

**New Business**

Mr. Vuksta made a motion to remove, with deep regret, Craig Catchko from the Street Department workforce due to medical reasons. Mr. Kuehn seconded the motion. The motion passed as presented, with deep regret.

Mr. Vuksta made a motion to hire Martin Brophy, effective immediately to the Street Department. Mrs. Beach seconded the motion. The motion passed as presented.

Appointed the following committee to interview Consultants for the Early Intervention Program Grant-Mr. Vuksta, Mr. Mahal, Mrs. Beach, Mr. Kuehn, and Mr. Mahalchick.

Appointed the following committee for the Park at the former Legion property-Mr. Kuehn, Mr. Miscavage, Ms. Milbrandt, Mr. Mahalchick and Bob Laughlan.

The Finance and Sewer Committees will meet with the Sewer Authority to discuss operational items.

Ms. Milbrandt made a motion to approve the High School football team to use the field on the following Sunday nights-July 16, 23 and 30.

Mr. Vuksta made a motion, second by Mr. Kuehn to approve the YMCA pool visitation on August 4<sup>th</sup> from 11am to 3pm for approximately forty-five children and fifteen chaperones, waiving all entrance fees and reserving the pool pavilion free of fees. The motion passed as presented.

Mr. Mahal made a motion, second by Ms. Milbrandt to increase the rate of trained part time police officers to \$19 per hour for days and \$20 per hour for nights and holidays. The rate for non-trained officers remains \$17 per hour. The motion passed as presented.

Mr. Kuehn made a motion, second by Ms. Milbrandt to approve Fountain Fabrication Company to do repairs on the street sweeper. The motion passed as presented.

Mr. Kuehn made a motion, second by Ms. Milbrandt to approve the issuance of a key to the Minersville Little League to the pool complex contingent on signing the agreement with the change in the third paragraph to "lease". The motion passed as presented.

**Unfinished Business:**

Mr. Kuehn will forward a lease on the Lions Club Pavilion to the Council members.

A discussion was held concerning the illegal dumping at the compost site.

Mr. Mahalchick announced that the Borough cannot undertake any repairs to the railroad tracks in front of the station. Mr. Mahalchick will contact the President of the Rail Road.

Mr. Mahalchick announced that South Third Street, Sunbury Street and Front Street, which are state highways, would hopefully be repaired by 2018. Additionally, Mr. Mahalchick is hopeful the Lions Pavilion Road would be eligible for a Low Volume Road Maintenance grant.

**Community Updates**

The Little League 11-12 year old Sectionals will be held July 15-19. The Make-A-Wish Tournament will be held July 28-August 6<sup>th</sup>. Announcements will be made prior to all games reminding spectators to park legally.

Spirit Day will be held September 10.

The Community Newsletter items are due.

Mrs. Raczka reported that tree limbs need to be trimmed so that a stop sign on her property can be seen.

There being no further business to discuss, Ms. Milbrandt made a motion to adjourn at 8:25. Mrs. Beach seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria Capik, Secretary

