

December 8, 2015
MILLERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The MILLERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING was held on Tuesday, December 8, 2015 in the Millersville Borough Public Meeting Room located at 100 Municipal Drive, Millersville, Pennsylvania.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Council President, Michael C. Kirkham followed by the pledge to the flag and a moment of silence.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Michael C. Kirkham
Philip A. Lastowski
Lynn M. Miller
David T. Aichele

Richard M. Moriarty, Mayor
Linda J. Deal
James A. Stager
Daniel P. Ostrowski

OTHERS PRESENT

Edward J. Arnold, Millersville Borough Manager
John D. Rochat, Millersville Borough Chief of Police
Jessie L. Ebersole, Millersville Borough Finance Officer
Edward R. Saylor, Planning Commission Vice Chairman
Steven A. DiGuissepe, Millersville University
Olivia Hertzler, Penn Manor High School Student Advisor
Elaine J. Jones, LNP Media Group
Steven R. Strock, Project Manager Millersville University
James F. Hocker, Derck & Edson Associates
James A. Kirk, 436 Herr Avenue, Millersville
Phyllis Giberson, 332 Manor Avenue, Millersville
Robert McLane, 206 Manor Avenue, Millersville
Tom Dukes, 65 Cottage Avenue, Millersville

MINUTES

None

CITIZEN'S REQUESTS OR CONCERNS

None

PUBLIC HEARING FOR AN OFFICIAL MAP ORDINANCE

President Kirkham opened the public hearing for an Official Map Ordinance.

Mr. Arnold provided information concerning the Official Map Ordinance. He noted that an Official Map allows the Borough in accordance with the Pennsylvania Municipal Planning Code (MPC) to identify certain areas that they may intend to reserve/utilize for public purposes in the future.

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The Borough has identified five items on an Official Map:

1. Freedom Memorial park Access Road
2. Heisey Avenue – Public Road (from Herr Avenue to Leaman Avenue)
3. Freedom Memorial Park Path to School (Eshleman Elementary School)
4. North/South Duke Street Corridor Connection
5. Pucillo Drive Extension

Mr. Arnold mentioned that the color coded dotted lines indicated on the Official Map are approximate markings and not a guarantee of exact placement. He further explained that this meeting is intended to allow the public to provide comments.

President Kirkham noted the Official Map was reviewed and approved by the Lancaster County Planning Commission (LCPC). The LCPC stated it is consistent with the goals, objectives, and policies of the Lancaster County Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Arnold added that the LCPC also stated that it is generally consistent with the LIMC Growing Together Plan and the Borough's Comprehensive Plan. President Kirkham then opened the hearing up for public comments.

Robert McLane of 206 Manor Avenue was asked by his neighbor Carol Lefever living at 222 Manor Avenue to read a statement in her absence. Her concern is specific to the closure of Heisey Avenue which she stated has adversely affected her property. She is also concerned on the safety issues of not having this roadway; such as police, fire and ambulance vehicles are no longer able to access Heisey Avenue from Herr Avenue. She respectfully requested that Borough Council take the necessary action to re-open Heisey Avenue.

Phyllis Giberson of 332 Manor Avenue also borders Heisey Avenue but at the other end (the section from Leaman Avenue to Wabank Road). She mentioned she had attended many meetings where discussions were held to consider paving her section of Heisey Avenue and that one of the reasons for the reconstruction project was for the purpose of emergency vehicle access. She commented, "If it is that important to have that work done from Leaman to Wabank, then why is it not important to have it accessible from Leaman to Herr?" She requested that the item on the Official Map (#2 Heisey Avenue - Public Road) be considered sooner than later and further stated, "If one end of Heisey Avenue needs to be open for all of those reasons, than the other ends needs to be open as well." Mr. Arnold commented that only one section of Heisey Avenue was addressed on the Official Map because the other section was already determined to be a public roadway and he agreed that many of the issues are indeed the same.

Hearing no further public comment, President Kirkham closed the public hearing.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES OR BOARDS

Mr. Lastowski reported on the Blue Rock Regional Fire Commission meeting held last Thursday. He stated that Turkey Hill Dairy is allowing volunteer fire fighters to leave their workplace to response to emergency calls with pay. He mentioned there are approximately seven volunteer firefighters currently working for Turkey Hill.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Moriarty asked to have the record state he had no report.

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MILLERSVILLE UNIVERSITY REPORT

Mr. DiGuseppe announced the end of the semester coming up and the Winter Undergraduate Commencement will be held on Sunday, December 13th with 475 graduates and 110 of those receiving honors. He quickly mentioned the Fall term will end on December 13th and the Winter term will begin on December 14th, residence halls will reopen on January 17th and reminded Council that there are no classes on January 18th due to Martin Luther King Jr. Day. The Spring semester officially starts January 19th. He continued to note that the University will be closed December 25th through January 3rd and that the offices will reopen on January 4, 2016. He went on to mention there will be Campus fire drills taking place on December 21st, 22nd and 23rd. Mr. DiGuseppe acknowledged Millersville Men's Soccer senior Jaime Vazquez was recognized at the national level when the National Soccer Coaches Association of America released All-America postseason teams and Vazquez was named Second Team. Jaime Vazquez concluded his best season for Millersville in 2015 and was named PSAC Men's Soccer Athlete of the Year. The Men's Soccer head coach Steve Widdowson was also selected as the National Soccer Coaches Association of America Division II Men's Atlantic Regional Coach of the Year. As another acknowledgement, Millersville Borough's Emergency Management Coordinator, Blue Rock Regional District Fire Commissioner and Millersville University Assistant Professor, Duane Hagelgans received honors from the International Association of Emergency Managers at the organization's annual conference. Hagelgans was named Student Ally of the Year, which recognized his work as a dedicated student advisor, educator and community member. Mr. DiGuseppe announced an interesting accomplishment by Andrew Miller a sophomore at Millersville University who performs modifications on classic video game systems to adapt them into portable systems. Mr. Miller has created the world's smallest portable Nintendo 64. He went on to announce Millersville University has been recognized by Online Colleges as a top choice for online education in Pennsylvania, ranking No. 8 out of 24. Rankings for the Best Online Colleges in Pennsylvania are determined by retention rate, student-teacher ratio and a host of financial aid metrics. The 28th annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day breakfast sponsored by the Crispus Attucks Community Center will take place on Monday, January 18th on campus with over 700 people anticipated to participate. This year's speaker is Randall Robinson, Esq. Robinson is a lawyer, author and activist, who founded TransAfrica, the oldest African American foreign policy organization in the United States.

Mr. DiGuseppe on behalf of the Millersville Business Association thanked everyone for their support for another successful Holiday in the Park celebration. They mentioned they had over 250 people attend.

PENN MANOR HIGH SCHOOL REPORT

Ms. Hertzler congratulated the five Penn Manor School Board members who each won a four-year seat in the November election: Joe Fullerton, Ken Long, Donna Wert, Carlton Rintz and Jeffrey Lyon. She mentioned the Penn Manor Winter sports program kicks off tonight as the Comets girls' and boys' basketball teams play in season-opening tournaments. She announced the full list of Penn Manor free holiday concerts and choral performances throughout the school district and community for the month of December. She went on to mention the members of the Manor FFA chapter that earned awards recently in the National FFA Agronomy Career Development Event held in Louisville, Kentucky and that Penn Manor has been named to the AP District Honor Roll for increasing student participation in advanced-placement high school courses and maintaining a high percentage of students who score well on the AP exams.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Lastowski made a motion to approve the resolution to request a Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant of \$1,500,000 from PennDOT to be used for the North/South Duke Street Corridor Connection. Mr. Stager seconded the motion. With no discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

RESOLUTION BOOK
RESOLUTION NO. 2015-21

Mr. Lastowski made a motion to approve the letter of intent for the Borough to apply for a 2016 Community Development Block Grant, Public Improvement Program Funds, Lancaster County Redevelopment Authority. Mr. Aichele seconded the motion. Mr. Arnold mentioned the Lancaster County Redevelopment Authority has financially supported the West Frederick Street Infrastructure Improvements for Phases 1, 2 and 3. This letter of intent will be for a fourth phase that will continue on West Frederick Street to the Borough municipal boundary line on Letort Road. With no further discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

WASTE WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Ostrowski made a motion to enter into the agreements for Providing for Grant of Utility Easements, one with Murry Development and one with Student Lodging Inc., for the sanitary sewer main that runs along Centennial Drive to include the University Public Service Line License and relocation agreement. Mr. Lastowski seconded the motion. With no discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

PLANNING AND BETTERMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

Mrs. Deal made a motion to adopt the Official Map Ordinance as presented. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion. Mayor Moriarty commented that twelve years ago he vetoed an Official Map Ordinance. He stated this Council and the Planning Commission did an exceptional job on this Official Map Ordinance and in getting the word out to the public. With no further discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

ORDINANCE BOOK
ORDINANCE NO. 2015-03

Mrs. Deal introduced Millersville University's Project Manager Mr. Steven Strock and their Engineer, Mr. Jim Hocker from Derck & Edson Associates. The two gentlemen gave a brief presentation of the Preliminary Plan for Millersville University's Lombardo Welcome Center. Mr. Strock noted that this new building will have its entrance off of James Street, beside Gordinier Hall, with parking provided across the street. This new building is intended to replace the current welcome center at Lyle Hall. Mr. Strock anticipates construction to start in September, 2016 and complete in May, 2017. Parking was discussed, as it is a concern that continues for Borough Council and the Borough Planning Commission. Mr. Hocker stated that the total amount of parking spaces will not change. They intend to move the parking of

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Gordinier's dining hall workers to another lot (south of the Student Memorial Center) and use those spaces for the staff coming from the current welcome center.

Mr. Stager voiced his concern that there are not enough parking spaces now at Gordinier especially when there are functions held during the day. Mrs. Deal asked if MU has yet considered assigning/designating parking lots. Mr. Strock stated that that is a campus-wide issue and not part of his project. President Kirkham asked that a letter be drafted to President Anderson to again address our concern for the parking situation on campus.

Mr. Arnold mentioned the preliminary plan was presented to the Borough Planning Commission and that they approved the preliminary plan conditional on meeting the Engineer's comments as listed in the letter dated December 1, 2015. Mr. Arnold proceeded to review each of the Engineer's modifications requests. Mrs. Deal made a motion to approve the preliminary plan for Millersville University's Lombardo Welcome Center contingent on meeting all the Engineer's modifications requests. Mr. Ostrowski seconded the motion. With no further discussions the motion passed with a unanimous voice vote. Mrs. Deal then made another motion to accept the preliminary plan with all the Engineer's comments made in letter dated December 1, 2015 being met on the final plan. Mr. Ostrowski seconded the motion. With no further discussions the motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

STREET COMMITTEE REPORT

None

SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT

Mrs. Miller made a motion out of committee to approve the ordinance that amends to the Borough Code of Ordinances by adding a new chapter for Disorderly Conduct. With no discussions the motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

ORDINANCE BOOK
ORDINANCE NO. 2015-04

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Stager mentioned there is a person willing to fill the vacancy on the Civil Service Commission and asked that the new Council take the necessary action at their first meeting in January.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Kirkham presented Mrs. Deal with a small token of appreciation and acknowledged her 12 combined years of service and thanked her for all that she has done in serving the community. Next, President Kirkham presented Mr. Stager with a small token of appreciation and acknowledged his 4 years of service; thanking him as well. He asked that they both don't stay away.

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President Kirkham thanked Mr. DiGuiseppe for his service this past year and everything that he does, not just for the Borough but for the Community.

He continued to thank everyone that has served with him in 2015 and those that will continue to serve in 2016. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe Holiday break.

BOROUGH MANAGER REPORT

Mr. Arnold reminded Council that the re-organizational meeting of Borough Council will be held on Monday, January 4, 2016 starting at 7 p.m.

Mr. Arnold acknowledged a request from a citizen that attended the holiday celebration in the park to add a tree for lighting during this event. This citizen believes he can have a tree and the planting of the tree donated. It was further acknowledged that the Millersville Business Association has LED lights to decorate the tree for an annual tree lighting ceremony, as they have done in the past when this event was held at the corner of Manor and Leaman Avenue. Mr. Arnold mentioned the Park Committee has reviewed the request and is in agreement of the donation of a tree for the purpose of a lighting ceremony. Mr. Aichele made a motion to accept the donation of a tree and planting of a tree in Freedom Memorial Park for the purpose of a tree lighting ceremony. Mrs. Deal seconded the motion. With no further discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

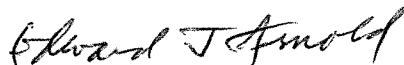
None

ADJOURNMENT

Before adjournment, Mrs. Deal asked to give a brief comment. She stated that in all the years that she has served on Borough Council that this group has been the best to work with. She stated, "It's been great to work with all of you." Mr. Stager added that there are no issues with this group when it comes to party representation; everyone works for the good of the community.

There being nothing further to discuss, President Kirkham closed the meeting at 8:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Edward J. Arnold
Borough Secretary

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