

May 28, 2013
MILLERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The MILLERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING was held on Tuesday, May 28, 2013 in the Millersville Borough Public Meeting Room located at 100 Municipal Drive, Millersville, Pennsylvania.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Council President, Michael C. Kirkham followed by the pledge to the flag. A moment of silence was then observed.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Michael C. Kirkham
Philip A. Lastowski
Linda J. Deal
J. Philip Gerber

Richard M. Moriarty, Mayor
Thomas R. Keller
Lynn M. Miller
James A. Stager

OTHERS PRESENT

Edward J. Arnold, Millersville Borough Manager
John D. Rochat, Millersville Borough Chief of Police
Jessie L. Ebersole, Millersville Borough Staff
Steven A. DiGuseppe, Millersville University
Elaine J. Jones, Lancaster Intelligencer Journal / New Era
Lucie Baldwin, Historic Commission
Carl Kanashie, Millersville Area Historical Society
Sam Bigler, 17 Wabank Rd., Millersville
Mike, Tara & Verronica Fralich, 205 W. Frederick St., Millersville
Marilyn & Olivia Niscastro, 336 Landis Ave., Millersville
PA State Representative Keith J. Greiner, 43rd District
Dr. John M. Anderson, President of Millersville University

MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes for the April 23, 2013 Council Meeting was made by Mr. Gerber and seconded by Mr. Lastowski. Mr. Lastowski asked for clarification to the dedication of the moment of silence. He suggested adding the verbiage "to the victims from the terrorist attack on the Boston Marathon and the fatalities of the Texas fertilizer plant explosion." With no further discussions the motion with the stated changes passed by a unanimous voice vote, with Mr. Kirkham abstained due to his absence.

A motion to approve the minutes for the May 14, 2013 Council Meeting was made by Mr. Stager and seconded by Mr. Gerber. Mrs. Deal asked for the minutes to be postponed until Chief Rochat had a chance to review the Personnel Committee Report for its accuracy.

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CITIZEN'S REQUESTS OR CONCERNS

Mayor Moriarty introduced Pennsylvania State Representative Keith J. Greiner. Representative Greiner thanked Council for welcoming his attendance and shared some background information on himself. He stated he is a certified public accountant, grew up in Lancaster County, and is on the State's Finance Committee and also the Children and Youth Committee. He supersedes Scott Boyd as our 43rd Legislative District Representative; however in 1/1/2015 Millersville Borough will be re-mapped to the 100th District and at that point fall under representation by Bryan Cutler. Representative Greiner hopes to accomplish great things for this area. He believes we have a united team of Representatives and stated his appreciation for our support. He welcomes communication through his office located in the West Lampeter Township building.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Moriarty discussed the credentials and welcomed Millersville University's 14th President, Dr. John M. Anderson. President Kirkham also welcomed Dr. Anderson and is looking forward to a long and healthy relationship with the University under his direction. Dr. Anderson spoke of his family and how they were warmly received by the community. He said despite the busy spring semester he is finding time to enjoy the area and have found the people most welcoming. He continued by stating he values the relationship between the University and the Borough and recognizes there will be challenges and concerns but is committed to working together for the mutual benefit.

Mayor Moriarty introduced this year's fourth grade governmental unit of study winners, Ms. Verronica Fralich and Ms. Olivia Nicastro. This year's project was to develop a t-shirt relating to economic development in Millersville Borough. He proudly displayed their work of art. The Mayor thanked both parents and teacher, Mr. Ivey, in their support of these young ladies. President Kirkham thanked the Mayor for supporting this event for the youngster every year and also congratulated the ladies.

Mayor Moriarty noted changes made to the monthly Police report. Chief Rochat explained the Calls for Service numbers in the past represented the types of calls that required an Officer to complete a report. The new number (going forward) will represent all calls that come through the 911 center. Chief Rochat will also continue to present 'Follow-ups' numbers, which are calls made by Officers from a written report and noted that these calls are not included in the Calls for Service category. Mrs. Miller asked if they could have further breakdown of the DCR's, classifying those that are a first or second offense.

Mayor Moriarty remarked to Dr. Anderson on how blessed we are to have Steve DiGuiseppe as the University's representative. He stated Mr. DiGuiseppe is truly a gem in carrying the message back and forth. He noted the community is also blessed for his involvement whether it is through the Business Association or the Parade.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES OR BOARDS

None

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MILLERSVILLE UNIVERSITY REPORT

Mr. DiGuiseppe reported on some items of interest, such as MU offering some graduate programs in downtown Philadelphia, on Market Street, effective this fall. This is a collaborative effort with colleagues from Cheyney, West Chester and East Stroudsburg Universities. Mr. DiGuiseppe gave an update on the residence halls project. Centennial Drive will be closed at the intersections of Shenk's Lane and Creek Drive during the summer and will reopen for the fall. An alternate route will be available during the closure. Burrowes and Lenhardt Halls will be closed for the summer but will reopen in the fall. Phase I is anticipated to be completed in the fall of 2014. In addition, Mr. DiGuiseppe announced five PASSHE Universities; including Millersville University has changed their policies to allow students to have weapons on campus, though they are still banned from school buildings and athletic events.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. Lastowski made a motion out of committee to support the construction of the Veterans Memorial at Millersville's Freedom Memorial Park and to approve advertisement for construction bids. Mr. Lastowski discussed the funding to-date amount is at approximately \$53,000. Mayor Moriarty commended the leadership in moving forward with this project. He states the community is appreciative for the recognition to our local Veterans. With no further discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Lastowski made a motion out of committee to support the replacement of the Gazebo at Millersville's Freedom Memorial Park and to include funding for its replacement in the Borough's 2014 Capital Budget. With no discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

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Mr. Lastowski made a motion out of committee to approve the purchase and installation of a Camera Security System from APP Techs in the amount of \$20,046.72 at Millersville's Freedom Memorial Park. Mr. Lastowski noted \$20,000 is included in the Borough's 2013 budget. With no discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Lastowski made a motion out of committee to approve the bid from McCarty Electric in the amount of \$7,512 for completing the electrical work required for the installation of the Camera Security System at the Park. Mr. Lastowski noted \$5,000 is included in the Borough's 2013 budget. With no discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Lastowski made a motion out of committee to approve the Resolution to re-establish and amend the Borough list of fees to be charged in connection with the administration of the Borough's Zoning Ordinance and other Borough Ordinances. With no discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

RESOLUTION BOOK
RESOLUTION NO. 2013-6

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Mr. Lastowski made a mention to the motion out of committee which was to approve application for a grant from Lancaster County's Smart Growth Transportation Study and Transportation Alternatives Grant program for a study to construct a walkway from Eshleman Elementary School to the Park. Mr. Arnold explained he is in the process of gathering further information before asking for Council to make a commitment to move this project forward.

Mr. Lastowski made a mention to the motion out of committee which was to approve application for a grant from Lancaster County's Smart Growth Transportation Study and Transportation Alternatives Grant program for a study to upgrade the Duke Street & Frederick Street intersection. Mr. Arnold is getting further details on the available grants and is in discussions with the Borough's Engineer to determine the best way to move forward to match our expenditures with available grant opportunities. This could mean a possible phase-in scenario. At this point the Borough has no obligation; we are simply giving notification of our intent to apply for the grant.

Mr. Lastowski made a motion out of committee to approve the sale of a used Automated External Defibrillator (AED) to the Penn Manor Junior Comets. Chief Roach explained there are actually two units and these were taken out of service when replacement units were provided by the Lions Club and the Heart Association. With no further discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

WASTE WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

None

PLANNING AND BETTERMENT COMMITTEE

Mr. Gerber made a motion to approve both the Public Service Line License Agreement and the Memorandum of Agreement with Millersville University. Mr. Stager seconded the motion. Mr. Arnold explained the agreements are to replace utility easements on properties owned by the Pennsylvania Department of General Services or the State System of Higher Education in the Borough. Both the University's Solicitor and our Solicitor have spent much time in designing and corroborating on to these agreements. However, Mr. Arnold mention one item was not able to be agreed upon. The University was not willing to accept the responsibility of the Borough's legal costs if the Borough filed action against the University for not following the letter of the agreement and ultimately the Court's decision came down in our favor. Mr. Arnold does not see this as being a big enough issue to hold back entering into these agreements. Mr. Arnold further explained that any time the University comes in with a development plan that has any easements required or any changes to the utility services, they have to provide this agreement that protects our line. With no further discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

STREET COMMITTEE

Mr. Stager mentioned the special Street Committee meeting to be held June 18, 2013 starting at 7 PM. The purpose of this meeting is to obtain community feedback on a conceptual traffic plan for connecting North and South Duke Streets. Mr. Stager mentioned notices will be mailed and hand delivered to all residents in the immediate vicinity.

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SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT

None

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

None

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Kirkham stressed the importance of the special Street's meeting and asked that Council talk with neighbors and help spread the word.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Gerber made a motion seconded by Mr. Lastowski, to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 PM. The motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Edward J. Arnold
Borough Secretary

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